

Abidec

FORM Oral drops

INDICATION Vitamin supplementation of premature neonates <34 weeks

DOSE RANGE

AGE	DOSE	FREQUENCY	ROUTE
Premature infants <34 weeks from 14 days old, or on commencement of full enteral feeds if this is later	0.6ml	ONCE daily*	Oral

* If an infant persistently vomits following 0.6ml Abidec daily this can be given as 0.3ml twice daily to improve tolerability.

Commencement of treatment – As soon as enteral feeding has been established (at least 100ml/kg/day tolerated)

Abidec should be started for babies weaning from TPN once enteral feeding (at least 100ml/kg/day) is tolerated, regardless of ongoing provision of SMOFvits®

CAUTIONS, CONTRA-INDICATIONS AND SIDE EFFECTS

- See Summary of Product Characteristics and most recent edition of BNF for Children (links below)

FURTHER INFORMATION

0.6ml contains
 Vitamin A 1333units
 Thiamine 0.4mg
 Riboflavin 0.8mg
 Pyridoxine 0.8mg
 Nicotinamide 8mg
 Vitamin C 40mg
 Vitamin D 400units

Abidec contains Arachis (Peanut) Oil

STORAGE

Store at room temperature. Discard 4 weeks after opening

LICENSED STATUS

Licensed use. Dose for premature babies whilst in hospital is off label but endorsed in BNFC.

LINKS

[BNF for Children](#) / [Electronic Medicines Compendium](#)

APPLICABLE POLICIES

[West of Scotland Neonatal Guidelines](#):

Consult local policy if applicable

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Dose may vary depending on indication, age, renal function, hepatic function, and concomitant medications. This monograph should be used in conjunction with the package insert, BNF for Children, and Summary of Product Characteristics. For further advice contact your clinical pharmacist or pharmacy department.

