

# Amikacin

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It is a derivative of another aminoglycoside antibiotic - kanamycin . Its indications are identical to gentamicin , but the dosage is higher. It is only used to treat infections caused by **gentamicin-resistant strains**.<sup>[1]</sup>

⚠ It is part of a **rational antibiotic policy** that says that gentamicin is the preferred antibiotic for aminoglycoside antibiotics. Only when resistant strains occur will we exchange gentamicin for amikacin. Part of the policy is also the **rotation of antibiotics** - the use of amikacin can, after some time, restore the pathogen's good sensitivity to gentamicin, to which it can then be returned.<sup>[2]</sup>

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