

# ORAL ACNE TREATMENTS

Generic	Brand	Strength	Form	Dose
<b>ANTIBIOTICS</b>				
doxycycline	—	100mg	tabs	<b>Adults:</b> 100mg every 12hrs for 1 day, then 100mg/day in 1–2 divided doses; reduce dose after improvement
	<b>Acticlate</b>	75mg, 150mg+	tabs <sup>6</sup>	<b>Adults:</b> 100mg every 12hrs, then 100mg daily (as a single dose or 50mg every 12hrs) <b>Children ≤8yrs: not usually recommended.</b> >8yrs (<45kg): 4.4mg/kg in 2 divided doses for 1 day, then 2.2mg/kg daily in 1–2 divided doses; (≥45kg): use Adults dose
	<b>Doryx</b>	50mg, 200mg	del-rel tabs	<b>Adults:</b> 200mg for 1 day (100mg every 12hrs), then 100mg daily (as a single dose or 50mg every 12hrs) <b>Children: ≤8yrs: not usually recommended.</b> >8yrs (≤45kg): 4.4mg/kg in 2 divided doses for 1 day, then 2.2mg/kg daily in 1–2 divided doses; (>45kg): use Adults dose
	<b>Doryx MPC</b>	120mg	del-rel tabs <sup>6</sup>	<b>Adults:</b> 120mg every 12hrs for 1 day, then 120mg daily (as a single dose or 60mg every 12hrs) <b>Children: ≤8yrs: not usually recommended.</b> >8yrs (<45kg): 5.3mg/kg in 2 divided doses for 1 day, then 2.6mg/kg daily in 1–2 divided doses; (≥45kg): use Adults dose
	<b>Monodox</b>	50mg, 75mg, 100mg	caps	<b>Adults:</b> 200mg for 1 day (100mg every 12hrs or 50mg every 6hrs), then 100mg daily (as a single dose or 50mg every 12hrs) <b>Children: ≤8yrs: not usually recommended.</b> >8yrs (<45kg): 4.4mg/kg in 2 divided doses for 1 day, then 2.2mg/kg daily in 1–2 divided doses; (≥45kg): use Adults dose
	<b>Vibramycin</b>	100mg 25mg/5mL 50mg/5mL	caps susp <sup>4</sup> syrup <sup>5</sup>	<b>Adults:</b> 100mg every 12hrs for 1 day, then 100mg/day in 1–2 divided doses; reduce dose after improvement
minocycline	<b>Dynacin</b>	50mg, 75mg, 100mg	caps	<b>Adults:</b> 200mg once then 100mg every 12hrs; or 100–200mg once then 50mg four times daily
	<b>Minocin</b>	50mg, 100mg	pellet-filled caps	<b>Children ≤8yrs: not recommended.</b> >8yrs: 4mg/kg once then 2mg/kg (max 100mg) every 12hrs
	<b>Solodyn</b>	55mg, 65mg, 80mg, 105mg, 115mg	ext-rel tabs	<b>Adults:</b> ≥12yrs: approximately 1mg/kg once daily for 12wks. Weight-based dosing (45–49kg): 45mg; (50–59kg): 55mg; (60–71kg): 65mg; (72–84kg): 80mg; (85–96kg): 90mg; (97–110kg): 105mg; (111–125kg): 115mg; (126–136kg): 135mg
tetracycline	—	250mg, 500mg	caps	<b>Adults:</b> Initially 1g daily in 2–4 divided doses. After improvement: 125–500mg daily.
<b>RETINOIDS</b>				
isotretinoin	<b>Absorica</b>	10mg, 20mg, 25mg*, 30mg, 35mg, 40mg	caps <sup>1</sup>	<b>Adults:</b> 0.5–1mg/kg/day in 2 divided doses; treat for ≤15–20wks if nodule count reduced by >70%; max 2mg/kg/day. Repeat course only if necessary after ≥2mos drug-free interval.
	<b>Amnesteem</b>	10mg, 20mg, 40mg	caps <sup>1</sup>	
	<b>Claravis</b>	10mg, 20mg, 30mg, 40mg	caps <sup>1,2</sup>	
<b>CONTRACEPTIVES</b>				
drospirenone/ ethinyl estradiol	<b>Loryna</b>	3mg/20mcg (24 tabs); inert (4 tabs)	tabs	<b>Women ≥14yrs old:</b> 1 tab daily for 28 days; repeat
	<b>Yaz</b>		tabs	
drospirenone/ ethinyl estradiol/ levomefolate calcium	<b>Beyaz</b>	3mg/20mcg/0.451mg (24 pink); levomefolate 0.451mg (4 light orange)	tabs	<b>Women ≥14yrs old:</b> 1 tab daily for 28 days; repeat
norethindrone acetate/ ethinyl estradiol	<b>Estrostep Fe</b>	1mg/20mcg (5 tabs) + 1mg/30mcg (7 tabs) + 1mg/35mcg (9 tabs); inert (7 tabs); ferrous fumarate 75mg	tabs	<b>Women ≥15yrs old:</b> 1 tab daily for 28 days; repeat
	<b>Tilia Fe</b>		tabs	
	<b>Tri-Legest Fe</b>		tabs	
norgestimate/ ethinyl estradiol	<b>Ortho</b>	0.18mg/35mcg (7 tabs) + 0.215mg/35mcg (7 tabs) + 0.25mg/35mcg (7 tabs); inert (7 tabs)	tabs	<b>Women ≥15yrs old:</b> 1 tab daily for 28 days; repeat
	<b>Tri-Cyclen 28</b>		tabs	
	<b>Tri-Previfem</b>		tabs	
	<b>Tri-Sprintec</b>		tabs	

**NOTES**  
**Key:** + = scored tabs ; \* contains tartrazine  
<sup>1</sup>contains soy; <sup>2</sup>contains vitamin E; <sup>3</sup>contains parabens; <sup>4</sup>raspberry flavor; <sup>5</sup>as calcium, raspberry-apple flavor; contains sulfites; <sup>6</sup>contains sodium.  
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