

Canadian Paediatric Surveillance Program

ADR Tip of the Month

Ceftriaxone (Rocephin®)induced immune hemolytic anemia (IHA)

- Rare event
 - Nine paediatric cases reported
- > High mortality rate
 - Six paediatric deaths reported
- Clinical presentation
 - Fever
 - Back pain
 - Severe hemolytic anemia
 - Hemoglobinuria
 - Hypotension
 - Acute renal failure

Physicians should stop ceftriaxone at the earliest signs and symptoms of IHA.

Please report all serious adverse drug reactions (ADRs).

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