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It is also proposed that ß arteether inhibits the protein synthesis and alters the ribosomal organization and endoplasmic reticulum.

# **CONTRAINDICATIONS**

Arteether injection is contraindicated in patients hypersensitive to artemisinin derivatives

#### Dosage:

Adult: 150mg i.e. 1 ampoule of b arteether once daily for 3 consecutive days. Children: 3mg/Kg per day administered by intramuscular injection over a 3-day period.

Presentations: 2ml Injetion