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# Single-dose Fosfomycin Tromethamine for Treatment of Urinary Tract Infection in Hong Kong Women: a Preliminary Prospective Study

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# **Introduction**

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## **Objectives**

To determine the efficacy of single dose Fosfomycin in treatment of uncomplicated urinary tract infection in Hong Kong women population.

## **Methodology**

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## **Result**

Of 44 subjects studied, 98% returned for follow-up. Forty-eight hours after treatment with fosfomycin, the bacterial eradication rate was 86% (38/44), 91% (20/22), 100% (4/4), and 60% (3/5) for all bacteria, Escherichia coli (non-ESBL–producing strains), Escherichia coli (ESBL-producing strains), and Klebsiella, respectively. However, 19% of the subjects experienced diarrhoea.