Malaria prophylaxis in the Travel Clinics

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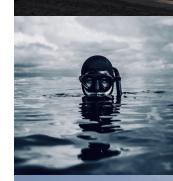
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Conflicts of interest

Function	Organisation	Conflicts of interests
Nurse Travel Health Advice	Vaccinatiecenter Travel Clinic East The Netherlands	None
Medical advisor for vaccination	Municipal Public Health Service (GGD GHOR The Netherlands)	None
Member program committee	MMM Travel Medicine congress The Netherlands	None
Chairman of the nursing working group & member broad working group	The Netherlands National Coordination Center for Travel Health Advice (LCR)	None







Program

- Malaria prevention strategy in the Netherlands
- Protocol
- Consultation room visual
- Mosquito bite prevention
- Take a QUIZ!
- Take home messages

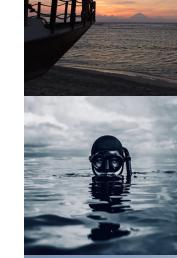




Dutch malaria protocols & maps

- The Netherlands National Coordination Center for Travel Health Advice
 - (LCR Landelijk Coordinatieventrum Reizigersadvisering)
- Malaria mapping
 - Co-operation with the National Coordination organisations from Switzerland, Belgium and Germany
- Several working groups, including:
 - Malaria working group
 - Updates: based on literature search, new science results, changes in malaria prophylaxis information leaflets, malaria protocols from other countries and international organisations, input and questions from Dutch travel health advice clinics.
 - Nursing working group
 - New & already excisting protocols
 - Clear
 - Practical usable
 - Travellers' information brochures
 - Broad working group
 - Final check (medical information & practical use)







Malaria prevention strategy

Choice depends on various factors:

- Malaria transmisson-intensity in visiting area
 - Low medium high
- Local possibillities diagnostics & treatment
- Local resistance malaria prophylaxis
- (possible) side effects, interactions & contra-indications chemoprophylaxis
- Medical condition of the traveller
- Duration of stay in malaria risk area
- Time before depart
- Therapy compliance
- Costs

<u>But also:</u>

- Personal preference
- Choice of chemoprophylaxis travel companion

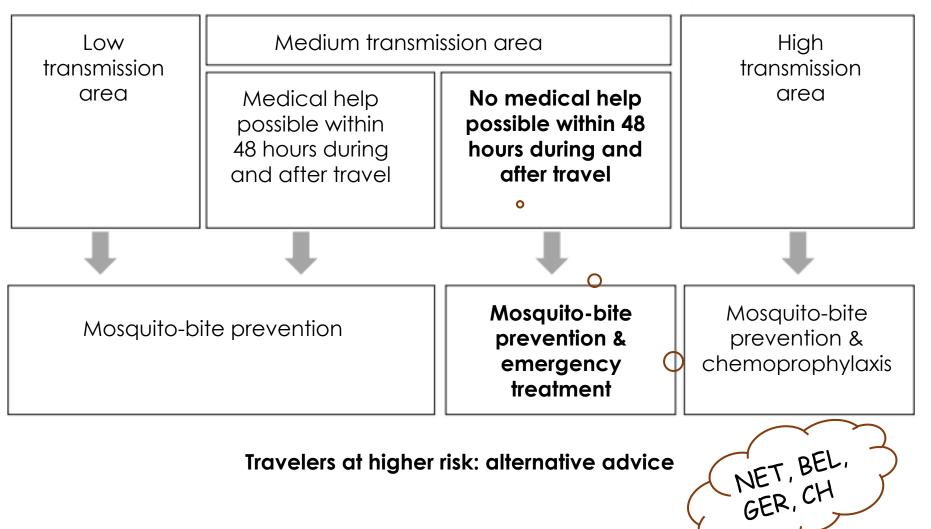


Shared decisionmaking vs. clear information & advice!



Malariapreventionstrategy in The Netherlands

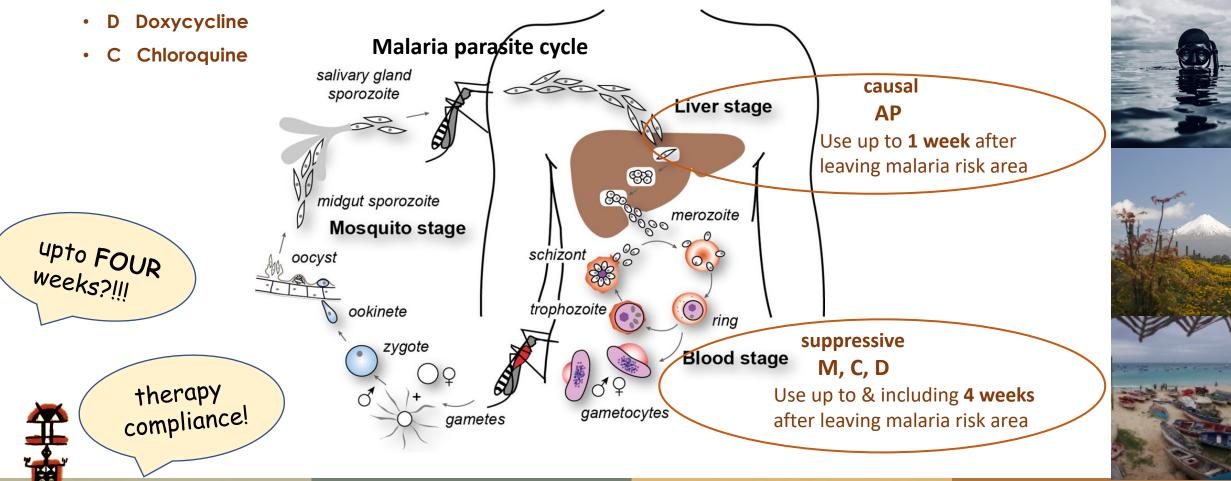
GENERAL





Causal/suppressive prophylaxis

- AP Atovaquon/Proguanil
- M Mefloquine



Information brochure

- Hardcopy
- Digital
 - Mail
 - Website
 - Some organisations: app
- Emergency Treatment
 - Always hand over personally via hardcopy version or mail





Costs malaria prophylaxis in The Netherlands









Average:	BENU Apotheek						
		Reisduur	Aantal tabletten	Totale kosten	Kosten per tablet		
AP	Atovquone/Proguanil	7 dagen	15	50,92	3,39		
		28 dagen	36	94,13	2,61		
ca.	Mefloquine	7 dagen	8	43,40	5,42		
		28 dagen	11	52,23	4,75		
€ 2,60 /tabl	Doxycycline	7 dagen	35	29,70	0,85		
		28 dagen	56	42,98	0,77		

Μ Ca. €**4,25**/tabl

D Ca. **€0,80**/tabl

	Reisduur	Aantal tabletten	Totale kosten	Kosten per tablet
Atovquone/Proquanil	7 dagen	15	12 st 32,48	2,71
	28 dagen	36	24 56,90	2,37
			36 81,31	2,26
Mal junior			12 st 20,28	1,69
Mefloquine	7 dagen	8	8 33,36	4,17
	28 dagen	11	16 58,36	3,64
Doxycycline	7 dagen	35	40 33,79	0,84
	28 dagen	56	56 44,08	0,79

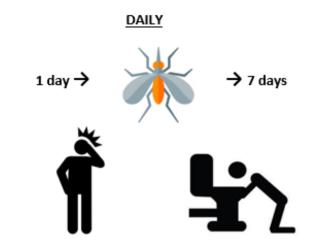




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support!





- Ca. € 2,60/tabl (= ca. € 18,20/week) ٠
- From 5 kg ٠

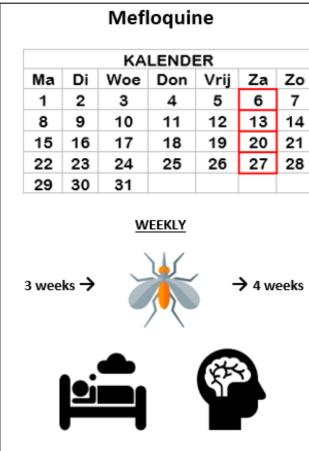
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Side effects

- > 10% headache, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea en stomach ache
- 1-10% allergic reactions, fever, coughing, lack ٠ of appetite, aphtous ulcers, abnormal dreams, depression and insomnia
- 0,1-1% hair loss



- Ca. € 4,25/tablet (= ca.€ 4,25/week) ٠
- From 5 kg ٠

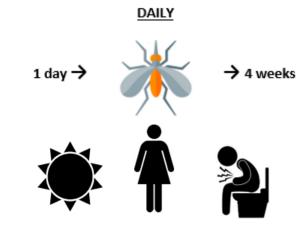
Side effects*

- >10% insomnia en abnormal dreams ٠
- 1-10% nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, stomach ٠ ache, depression, loss of balance en anxiety
- <0,01% confusion, hallucinations en ٠ psychosis

*Women are at higher risk for side effects

Doxycyline

KALENDER						
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- Ca. € 0,80/tablet (ca. € 5.60/week)
- From 8 years (because of dental discoloration)

Side effects

- 1-10% gastrointinestal complaints en vaginal fungal infection*
- 0,1-1% fotosensibility** ٠
- <0,01% allergisch reactions en nail detachment
- * Consider clotrimazol tablet 500mg because of vaginal fungal infection
- ** Pharmacy will warn; adequate: advice sunburnprevention

Mosquito bite prevention







FOR TRAVELERS





Source:traveldoc.ca

Insect repellents: ages & percentages

Product-information leaflet:

DEET, Icaridin en Lemon-Eucalyptus oil for tropics: ►<u>Use one time daily</u>
 LCR:

Healthrisk because of insect transmittable diseases: ► More times daily

Product-information leaflet	+ 3 months	+ 2 years	+ 13 years	+ 18 years	Product adviced by LCR & WHO?
F.E. Care Plus products	~	~			
DEET	~	×	30- 40%	30- 50%	LCR & WHO guidelines
ICARIDIN	×		~	~	LCR & WHO guidelins
		(3+)			
Lemon-Eucalyptus oil for tropics (f.e. natural/bio)	~	~	~	✓	LCR: Worldwide used as DEET-alternative WHO: Not first choice in guidelines



DEET based on LCR: groups & percentages

	20% DEET	21-30% DEET	31-40% DEET	41-50% DEET
Adults	5x	4x	Зх	2x
Pregnant women	5x	4x	Don't use	Don't use
Children < 2 years	5x	4x	Don't use	Don't use
Children ≥ 2 years	5x	4x	Зx	2x

- < 20% DEET: insufficient protection for the tropics and is not recommended
- >50% DEET: not better or longer-lasting and therefore not advised







Let's take a QUIZ!

- Get your devices, open this item on the NECTM9-app
- General questions to check differences per country
- Case study questions: most fitting answer based on Dutch protocol





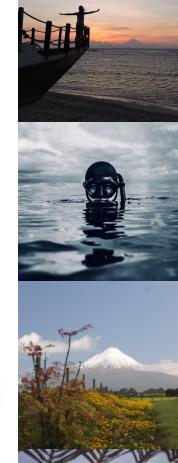












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What's your job title?



- B Nurse Travel Health Advice / Nurse Travel Medicine
- C Nurse Specialist









Do you need to check the malaria prescription with your doctor?

- A I'm not allowed to make malaria prescriptions; this is a doctor-function in my organisation
- **B** Yes, always (including healthy travellers)
- C Yes, just for all travellers with health complications (co-medication & any disease)
- D Yes, just for travellers in special medical conditions which aren't protocol based



No



Which malaria prophylaxis do you prescribe the most?

- A 90+% atovaquone/proguanil
- **B** 75+% atovaquone/proguanil
- **C** 50+ % atovaquone/proguanil
- D 50+ % mefloquine
- E 50+ % doxycycline
 - Something else





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Case study I: Last minute backpacker

Do you prescribe mefloquine when a backpacker (21, healthy) leaves within 3 weeks?

- A Yes, if he has no contraindications and stays for a long time in an malaria risk area, provided that he doesn't arrive in malaria risk area sooner than in 10 days
- B Yes, if he has no contraindications and stays for a long time in an malaria risk area with mefloquine indication, even if he leaves in less than 10 days
- C Yes, if he has no contraindcations and only when he has used mefloquine before and for the first days in combination with another malaria chemoprophylaxis







Advice when to start Mefloquine

Consult before departure	Advice when to start mefloquine
Consultation >3 weeks before departure	- Start 3 weeks before arriving at malaria risk area (4th tablet on day of arrival in risk area)
Consultation <3 weeks and ≥ 10 days before departure	 First tablet 10 days before arriving at malaria risk area, 1 tablet per week Spreading 4 tablets from first tablet up to and including the day of arrival in risk area
Consultation <10 days before departure	 Loading dose: 1 tablet a day during 3 days, from then 1 tablet per week (off label) Spreading 4 tablets from first tablet up to and including the day of arrival in risk area (off label)

Didn't use mefloquine before and/or enter a malaria area some time after the start of the trip? →Advise to take three trial tablets before departure from the Netherlands.

Continue 1 tablet per week up to and including 4 weeks after leaving malaria risk area





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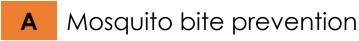
Offlabel, higher risk of side effects!



Case study II: International business trip

- Thomas (26 jaar, healthy): Reunion of student association: Thailand tour
 - 7 days Phuket
 - 3 days Western Thailand (Tak region)
 - 3 days hiking Golden Triangle
 - 5 days Chang Mai & Bangkok (medical health within 48 hours okay?)
- International friends already got a consultation in their own country
 - Belgium, Germany, United States, Thailand

What's the malaria prevention advice based on LCR?

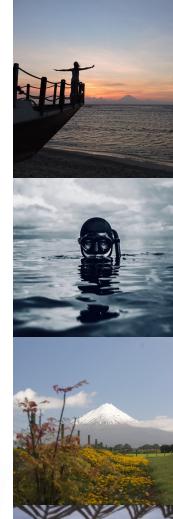


- - Emergency Treatment Atovaquone/Proguanil
- - Malariaprophylaxis: Atovaquone/Proguanil









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2 months a go:

Emergency Treatment?







LCR

Since a month:

Mosquito bite prevention

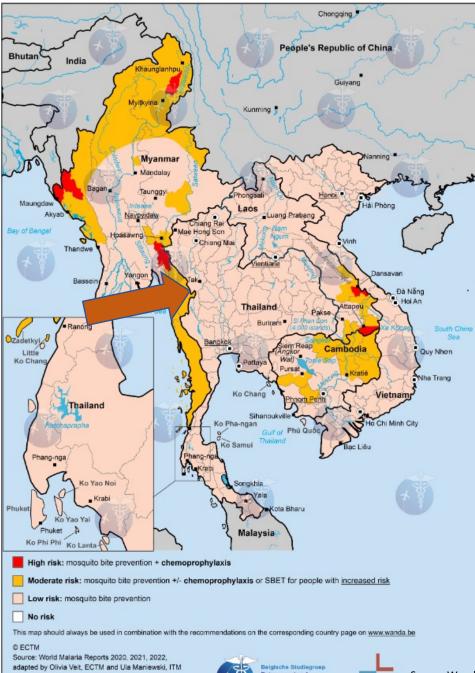






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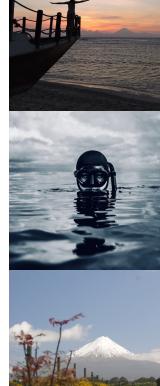
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Germany

Emergency Treatment?





United States of America

Chemoprophylaxis







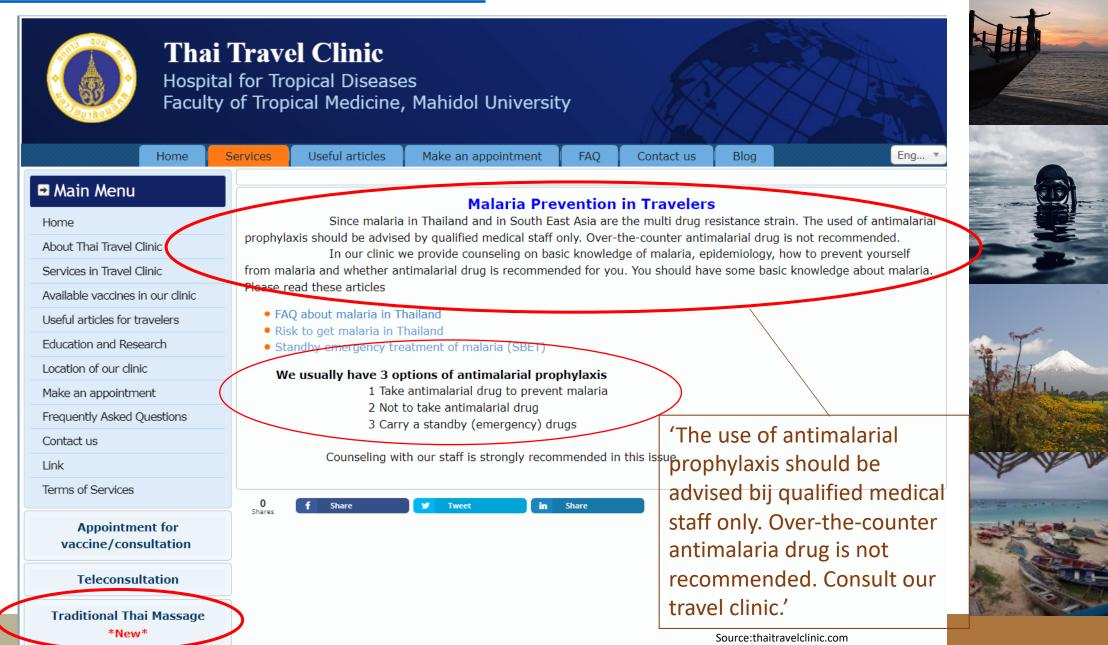
Thailand

Mosquito bite prevention? Emergency Treatment? Chemoprophylaxis?





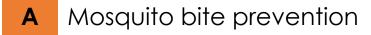
Malaria Prevention in Travelers





International business trip

- Mosquito bite prevention
- Clear information
- Shared decision making because of various advises



- B Emergency Treatment Atovaquone/Proguanil
- С
- Malariaprophylaxis: Atovaquone/Proguanil











III: Depression & anticoagulation therapy

- Thomas recently recovered from depression
- Medication: acenocoumarol
- Departure in a week to high risk area for 2 months
- Really wants to minimize the risk of psychological side effects.

Which prophylaxis do you advice?

- A **Mefloquine** (start 3 weeks before arriving risk area, thereafter weekly until and including 4 weeks after leaving risk area
- **B** Chloroquine (100 mg) 3 tablets on day 0 & 1, thereafter 1x/wk 3 tablets, until and including 4 weeks after leaving risk area
- C Atovaquon/Proguanil (250/100 mg) 1 tablet daily, start 1 day before arrival, use until and including 7 days after leaving risk area

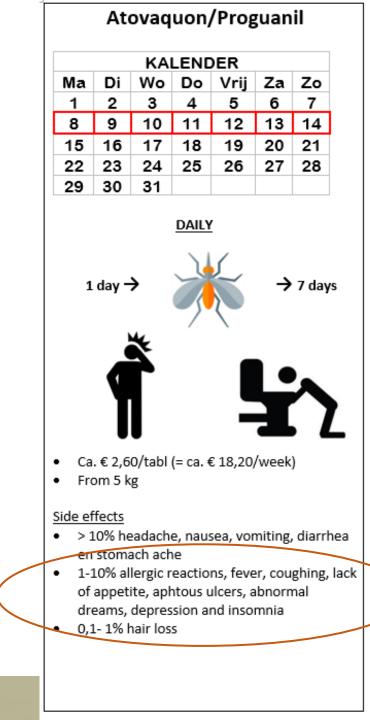


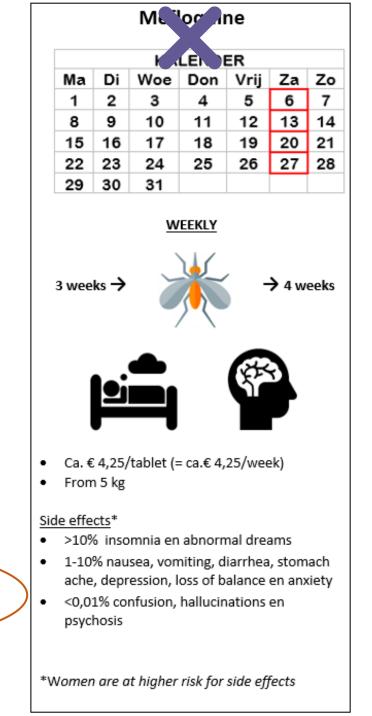
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Doxycycline (100 mg) – 1 tablet daily, start 1 day before arrival, use until and including 4 weeks after leaving risk area

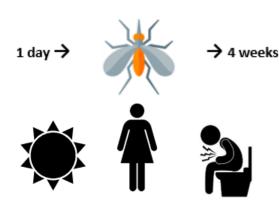








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Doxycycline combined with anticoagulation therapy:

- Doxycycline, when combined with VKAs (vitamin K antagonists), increases the risk of bleeding by 3-5 times.
- Doxycycline can be given as prophylaxis, but with extra precautions. The advice when using VKAs is to start doxycycline, if possible, a few weeks before departure so that there is enough time to adjust the dose of the vitamin K antagonists to a changed anticoagulation level.
- If this is not possible, inform about the risk of simultaneous use of these medications and advise to regularly monitor their coagulation while traveling and/or contact the thrombosis service to possibly adjust the VKA dosage
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IV: Case study Breastfeeding



- Iris(32, healthy, giving breastfeeding)
- Mothter has past away: Iris wil leave tomorrow for the funeral to North East Nicaragua (high transmission area)
- Baby son stays home with father
- Takes breast pump with her, wants to continue breastfeeding directly when arriving back home

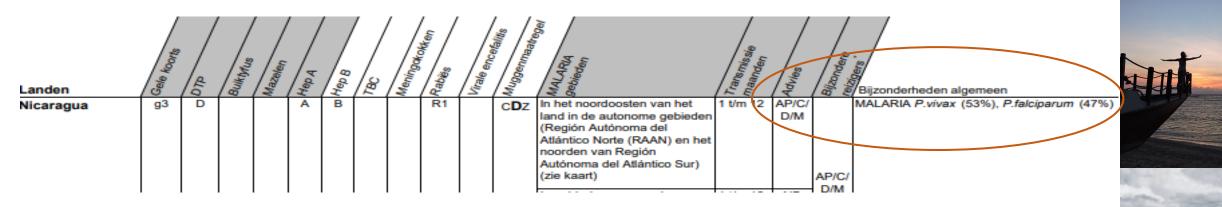
What prophylaxis do you advice?

- A Mefloquine
- **B** Chloroquine
- C Atovaquon/Proguanil



D Doxycycline





- D: CI
- M: Relative Cl
- AP: off label
- C: 'coming back': Nicaragua included

A Mefloquine

B Chloroquine

C Atovaquon/Proguanil



D Doxycycline



4 cases... how often should a nurse travel health advice consult the doctor at a Dutch travel clinic?

- Backpacker leaving soon
- Man recovered of depression & using anticoagulation therapy
- Trip international business (Thailand)
- Funeral Nicaragua

A 0: protocol gives clear answers at all cases









Justification for delegating tasks:

The travel nurse advises travelers belonging to the group of special travelers to have their advice reviewed by a travel medicine specialist before advising and vaccinating:

- a traveler with asplenia or (possible) hyposplenia
- a traveler who is (possibly) immunocompromised
- pregnant women children < 1 year</p>
- children < 5 years traveling to medium or high malaria transmission areas
- a traveler with liver and/or kidney dysfunction
- a traveler with a coagulation disorder
 - a traveler with previous adverse reactions to vaccines or malaria prophylaxis
 - travelers with an unknown illness or unknown medication to the nurse
 - travelers taking co-medication if a prescription is provided
 - travelers with a relative contraindication to a vaccine or malaria tablets



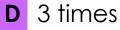


4 cases... how often should a nurse travel health advice consult the doctor at a Dutch travel clinic?

- Doctors prescription (pre-signed) 'based on doctors protocol given by nurse'
- Justification for delegating tasks
- Protocols
- All neccessary? Working agreements!
- A 0: protocol gives clear answer at all caeses



2 times









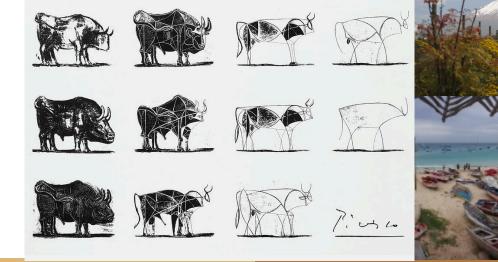






Take home messages

- Personal malaria prophylaxis advice requires customization!
- Shared decisionmaking vs. clear information
- Atovaquon/Proguanil often good to use (but don't forget the others!)
- Visual support
 - Malaria prophylaxis consultation room visual
 - Information brochure/app/website
- Document when doctor consultation is required
 - Justification for delegating tasks and/or
 - Protocol & working agreements





Thank you for your attention!

Any questions? Feel free to ask!

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Case study - child

- Boaz 4 years old 21 kg
- Summer holiday: Namibia (21 days Okakara)
- \rightarrow medium malaria transmission area
- Hyper active (ADHD), bad sleeper
- Parents: we absoloutely go

What malaria advice would you give?

- A Mosquito bite prevention incl. mosquito net, chemoprophylaxis not needed. To be sure: Emergency Treatment Atovaquon/Proguanil 250/100 mg: 6 tablets (1xdaily 2 tablets for 3 days)
- B Atovaquon/Proguanil childrentablets (62,5/25 mg): (1 x daily 2 tablets
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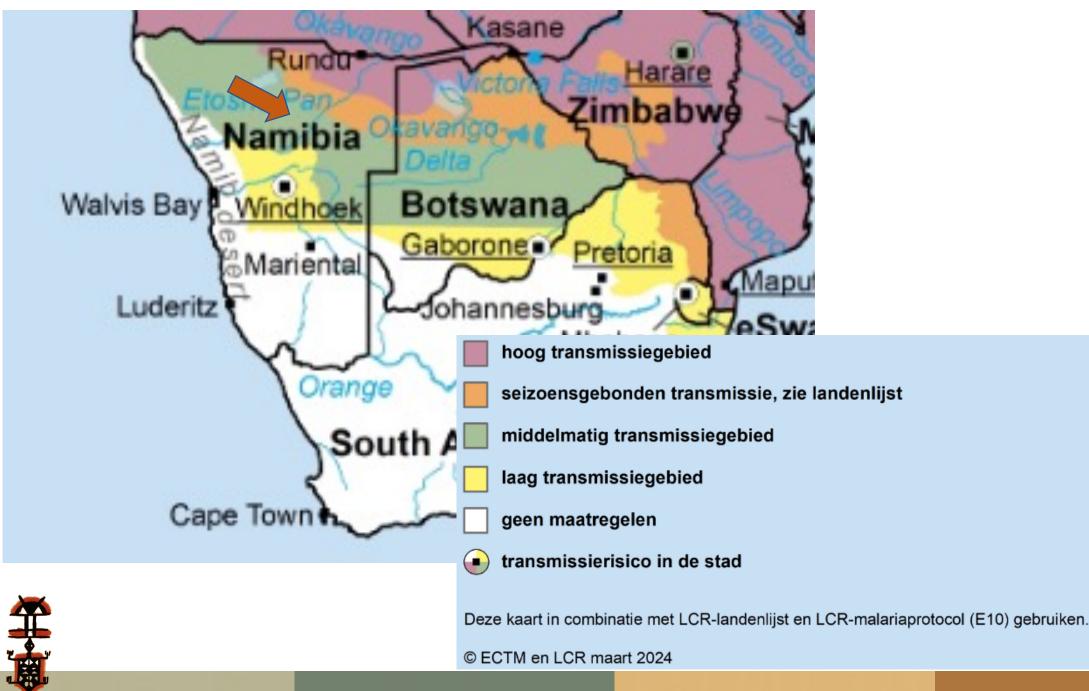
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Atovaquon/Proguanil (250/100 mg) – (1x daily 0,5 tablet)



Mefloquine 250 mg: 1 x / wk 0,5 tablet





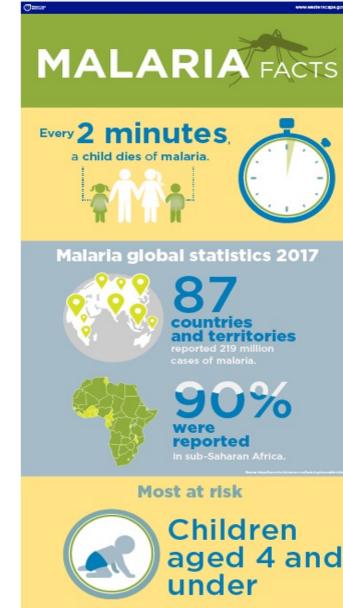
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LCR:

- Young children untill 4 years old
 - Higher risk of severe course of malaria
 - Adviced better not to go to medium & high malariarisk areas
 - In case of decision to travel: **prophylaxis** i.s.o. emergency treatment
 - Also when shorter than 7 days of medium malariarisk area
 - + intensive mosquito bite prevention







Tabel 2. Dosering antimalariamiddelen voor profylactisch gebruik

Gewicht in kg		>45	41 t/m 45	31 t/m 40	21 t/m 30	11 t/m 20	9 t/m 10	5 t/m 8	< 5
Middel	Dosering								
Atovaquon/ proguanil [#]	Tabletten/dag	1 volw tab		3 kindertab	2 Kindertab	1 kindertab	3/4 * kindertab	1/2 * kindertab	Niet geven
Mefloquine	Mg/week	250	187,5		125	62,5			Niet geven
	Tabletten à 250 mg/week	1	3⁄4		1⁄2	1⁄4			Niet geven
^ # Doxycycline	Mg/dag	100	2 mg/kg (kinderen < 8 jaar niet geven)						
	Tabletten à 100 mg/dag	1	1⁄2 -1						
Proguanil	Mg/dag	200		150	100	50	25		25
	Tabletten à 100 mg/dag	2 dd 1	2 (dd ¾	2 dd ½	1 dd ½	1 dd ¼		1 dd 1⁄4
Chloroquine	Mg base/week	300	2	250	150	100	50		5 mg/ kg
	Tabletten à 100 mg/week	3	:	21⁄2	1½	1	1/2		1⁄4







- Doxycycline: CI < 8 years old
- Mefloquine: Relative CI psychological & psychosocial problems
- Atovaquone/Proguanil 250/100 mg: cheaper, not registrated, difficult to break
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