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## Common Names

- *Spirulina platensis*
- *Spirulina fusiformis*
- AFA-algae; *Arthrospira platensis*; Tecuitlatl; BGA

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## For Patients & Caregivers

Tell your healthcare providers about any dietary supplements you're taking, such as herbs, vitamins, minerals, and natural or home remedies. This will help them manage your care and keep you safe.

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What is  
it?

What are the potential uses and  
benefits?

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