

AXCEL ACYCLOVIR CREAM

Acyclovir (5% w/w)

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What Axcel Acyclovir Cream is used for

Axcel Acyclovir Cream is used to treat herpes simplex virus infection of the skin (inflammatory skin disease) including genital herpes (sexually transmitted infection) and herpes labialis (infection of the mouth area).

How Axcel Acyclovir Cream works

Axcel Acyclovir Cream is used for the treatment of viral infections due to herpes simplex virus (type 1 and 2) and varicella-zoster virus (herpes zoster and chickenpox).

Before you use Axcel Acyclovir Cream

– When you must not use it

Do not use Axcel Acyclovir Cream if:

- You are allergic or hypersensitive to Acyclovir.
- It is not prescribed by a qualified doctor or pharmacist for you.
- You are pregnant, trying to get pregnant or think you may be pregnant.
- You are breast-feeding. Ask your doctor or pharmacist for advice before taking any medicine.

– Before you start to use it

Tell your doctor if:

- You are pregnant or nursing your baby.
- You are allergic to any medicines.

- If you are taking and using any other medicines (including those not prescribed by your doctor).
- You are severely immune-compromised individual.

– Taking other medicines

You should tell your doctor if you are taking any medicine as it may interact with your Axcel Acyclovir Cream:

- Probenecid

It may still be all right for you to use Axcel Acyclovir Cream and your doctor will be able to decide what is suitable for you.

How to use Axcel Acyclovir Cream

– How much to use

Direction for Use:

- For adult, children and geriatric: apply cream to the affected area 5 or 6 times daily every 3 or 4 hours for periods of 5 or 10 days.
- It should be applied to the lesions as early as possible after the start of an infection.

– When to use it

Your doctor will decide when it is appropriate for you to use Axcel Acyclovir Cream according to the type of condition you have.

– How long to use it

Continue taking Axcel Acyclovir Cream for as long as doctor recommends.

– If you forget to use it

Consult your doctor or pharmacist on what you should do if you forget to use it.

Apply the missed dose as soon as you remember. If it is almost time for your next dose, wait until then to apply the medicine and skip the missed dose. Do not apply a double dose to make up for the missed dose.

– If you use too much (overdose)

Contact your doctor immediately or go to the Emergency Department of your nearest hospital, if you think you or anyone else may have taken too much of this medicine. Do this even if there are no signs of

discomfort or poisoning. You may need urgent medical attention.

While you are using it

– Things you must do

- Take your medicine exactly as your doctor has told you.
- Tell all the doctors, dentists and pharmacists treating you that you are taking Axcel Acyclovir Cream.
- Tell your doctor immediately if you become pregnant while taking this medication.

– Things you must not do

- Do not stop taking the medicine unless advised by your doctor.
- Do not take any new medicines without consulting your doctor.
- Do not give Axcel Acyclovir Cream to anyone else, even if they have the same symptoms or condition as you.

– Things to be careful of

- Avoid applied to mucous membranes, example: in the mouth, eyes or vagina.

Side effects

Like all medicines, Axcel Acyclovir Cream can cause side effects although not everybody gets them. The following side effects have been reported:

- Transient stinging.
- Burning.
- Erythema or mild drying and flaking of the skin.

You may report any side effects or adverse drug reactions directly to the National Centre for Adverse Drug Reaction Monitoring by calling Tel: 03-78835550, or visiting the website npra.moh.gov.my (Public → Reporting Medicinal Problems / Side Effects / AEFI / Vaccine Safety).

Storage and disposal of Axcel Acyclovir Cream

– Storage

Keep Axcel Acyclovir Cream out of reach of children.

Store below 30°C. Protect from light.

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– Disposal

Do not use Axcel Acyclovir Cream after the expiry date which is stated on the carton.

Medicines should not be disposed of via wastewater or household waste. Ask your pharmacist how to dispose of medicines no longer required. These measures will help to protect the environment.

Product description

– How it looks like

Axcel Acyclovir Cream is white and water-miscible cream.

– Ingredients

Active Ingredient:
Acyclovir

Inactive Ingredients:

Dehydag Wax “0”, Liquid Paraffin, Chlorocresol, Sodium Dihydroge Phosphate Anhydrous, Cremophor A6, Cremophor A25, Propylene Glycol and Purified Water.

– MAL Number

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