AXCEL DEXCHLORPHENIRAMINE TABLET

Dexchlorpheniramine Maleate (2mg)

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What Axcel Dexchlorpheniramine Tablet is used for

Axcel Dexchlorpheniramine Tablets is used to treat allergic conditions including:

- Hay fever.
- Hives.
- Swelling under the skin.
- Vasomotor rhinitis (inflammation of the lining inside the nose).
- Allergic.
- Eczema.
- Atopic and contact skin inflammation.
- Medicine and blood reactions
- Insect bites.
- Itching.

How Axcel Dexchlorpheniramine Tablet works

Dexchlorpheniramine Maleate is an antihistamine. It works by blocking a certain natural substance (histamine) that your body makes during an allergic reaction. The antimuscarinic action provides a drying effect on the nasal lining.

Before you use Axcel Dexchlorpheniramine Tablet

-When you must not use it

Do not take Axcel Dexchlorpheniramine Tablet if:

- You are allergic or hypersensitive to antihistamines or other ingredients in this medicine.
- You are pregnant and nursing mother.

- You give it to newborn or premature infants.
- Your child is below 2 years old.

-Before you start to use it

Tell your doctor if:

- You have narrow angle glaucoma (build up pressure in the eye).
- You have history of asthma.
- You have a raised level of thyroid hormone.
- You have heart or blood vessel disease.
- You have enlargement of the prostate.

-Taking other medicines

You should tell your doctor or pharmacist if you are taking the following medicine as it may interact with your Axcel Dexchlorpheniramine Tablet:

- Medicines that can damage hearing such as aminoglycoside antibiotics.
- Central Nervous System (CNS) depressants such as alcohol, barbiturates (used to relieve anxiety).
- Hypnotics (sleeping pills).
- Narcotic analgesics (used to relieve pain).
- Sedatives (used to promote calm and induce sleep).
- Tranquillisers.
- Monoamine oxidase (MAO) inhibitors (used to treat depression).

It may still be all right for you to take Axcel Dexchlorpheniramine Tablet and your doctor will be able to decide what is suitable for you.

How to use Axcel Dexchlorpheniramine Tablet

-How much to use

For oral use only.

Adult: 1- 2 mg, every 4-6 hours, up to a maximum 12mg per day.

Children: 6 - 12 years: 1mg, every 4-6 hours, up to a maximum of 6mg per day.

Children: 2 - 6 years: 0.5mg, every 4-6 hours, up to a maximum of 3mg per day.

-When to use it

Your doctor will decide when it is appropriate for you to take Axcel Dexchlorpheniramine Tablet according to the type of condition you have.

-How long to use it

- Take this medicine as stated in the leaflet without exceeding the dosage.
- Follow any recommendations and advices from your doctor or pharmacist.

-If you forget to use it

• Do not double up the dosage as Axcel Dexchlorpheniramine Tablet may give you unacceptable side effects.

-If you use too much (overdose)

• It is advisable for you to contact your doctor immediately or go to the Emergency Department of your nearest hospital if you did take Axcel Dexchlorpheniramine Tablet too much. The person should be kept quiet to minimize the excitation, which occurs particularly in children. Convulsions and marked CNS stimulation and severe low blood pressure may occur.

While you are using it

-Things you must do

- Discuss with your doctor or pharmacist the dos' and don'ts' while taking this medicine.
- Tell your doctor if unexpectedly you need to take any other medicines.
- Tell your doctor or pharmacist if you experience any side effects that are not listed in this leaflet.

-Things you must not do

• Do not over dosage the medicine during any single consumption.

-Things to be careful of

 This medicine may affect your ability to drive or use machines. If the tablets make you feel sick, dizzy, drowsy or tired, or give you a headache, do not drive or

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use machines and contact your doctor immediately.

Side Effects

Like all medicines, Axcel Dexchlorpheniramine Tablet can cause side effects although not everybody gets them. You are advised to consult doctor/ pharmacist for further information. The following side effects have been reported:

The most common side effect is sedation, varying from drowsiness to deep sleep, and including inability to concentrate, lack of energy, dizziness, low blood pressure, muscular weakness and incoordination. Sedatives effects, when they occur, may diminish after a few days.

Other side effects include gastrointestinal disturbances, such as nausea, vomiting, diarrhoea or constipation, colic (stomach pain), and epigastric pain.

It may also produce headache, blurred vision, ringing in the ear, extreme happiness or depression, irritability, nightmares, loss of appetite, difficulty in urination, dryness of the mouth, tightness of the chest, tingling, heaviness and weakness of the hands. It may potentiate CNS depressants. Large doses may precipitate fits in epileptics.

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 Dexchlorpheniramine Tablet

-Storage

Keep Axcel Dexchlorpheniramine Tablet out of reach of children. Store below 30°C. Keep container well closed and protect from light.

-Disposal

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

-What it looks like

Axcel Dexchlorpheniramine Tablets is a pink, biconvex, round tablets, 8mm in diameter with a single score-line on one side and marked KOTRA logo on the other side.

-Ingredients

- -Active Ingredient (s): Dexchlorpheniramine Maleate
- -Inactive Ingredients:
 Pregelatinized Starch, Corn Starch,
 Lactose, Magnesium Stearate,
 Ponceau 4R and Purified Water.

-MAL Number MAL19890140AZ

Manufacturer and product registration holder

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