## **AXCEL FUNGICORT CREAM**

Miconazole Nitrate / Hydrocortisone (2% w/w / 1% w/w)

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# What Axcel Fungicort Cream is used for

Axcel Fungicort Cream is used in treatment of fungal infections of the skin including candidiasis (infection of vagina), tinea (ringworm) and pityriasis versicolor (fungus infection of the lining of the skin), where inflammation of the skin is also present.

### **How Axcel Fungicort Cream works**

Miconazole is an antifungal agent which alters the permeability of the cell membrane of sensitive fungi. It kills fungi.

Hydrocortisone belongs to a group of medicines called steroids. It has antiinflammatory, anti-itching and blood vessel narrowing actions.

## Before you use Axcel Fungicort cream

#### - When you must not use it

Do not use Axcel Fungicort Cream if:

- You are hypersensitive or allergic to any component of the cream.
- You have tuberculosis of the skin.
- You have chicken-pox.
- You have smallpox.
- You have herpes simplex (a type of viral infection).
- 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 taking and using any other medicines including those not prescribed by your doctor.
- You are on warfarin therapy (anticoagulant therapy).
- You are pregnant.

#### -Taking other medicines

You should tell your doctor if you are taking the following medicine as it may interact with your Axcel Fungicort Cream:

- Amphotericin (antifungal).
- Rifampicin (antibacterial).
- Warfarin (anticoagulant).

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

# How to use Axcel Fungicort Cream -How much to use

This cream is for external use only.

Direction for use:
Apply 1cm of the cream, or more, onto the lesion according to its

size, once to twice a day.Rub the cream gently with your finger until it has been

completely absorbed by the skin.

 Treatment should be continued without interruption until the lesion has completely disappeared.

## -When to use it

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

### -How long to use it

Continue taking Axcel Fungicort 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.

Use the missed dose as soon as you remember. If it is almost time for your next dose, wait until then to use the medicine and skip the missed dose. Do not use 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 Fungicort Cream.
- Tell your doctor immediately if you become pregnant while talking 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 Fungicort Cream to anyone else, even if they have the same symptoms or condition as you.

## -Things to be careful of

- When the skin is broken, or under occlusive dressings.
- Avoid prolonged use in infants and children, and on the face.
- Pregnancy and lactation.

#### Side effects

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

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Application of miconazole nitrate cause:

- Local irritation.
- Sensitivity reactions.
- Inflammation of the skin.

Application of corticosteroids cause:

- Loss of skin collagen and subcutaneous atrophy (thinning of tissue under the skin).
- Darkening of the skin.
- Cushingoid symptoms such as thinning of the skin, bruising and facial puffiness.

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 <a href="mailto:npra.moh.gov.my">npra.moh.gov.my</a> (Public → Reporting Medicinal Problems / Side Effects / AEFI / Vaccine Safety).

# Storage and disposal of Axcel Fungicort Cream

-Storage

Keep Axcel Fungicort Cream out of reach of children.

Store your medicine 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 Fungicort Cream is white and water-miscible cream.

#### -Ingredients

- Active Ingredients: Miconazole Nitrate Hydrocortisone
- Inactive Ingredients:
   Purified Water, Liquid paraffin,
   Cremophor A6, Cremophor A25,
   Dehydag Wax "O", Sodium
   Dihydrogen Phosphate, Propylene
   Glycol and Chlorocresol.

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