AXCEL FUSIDIC ACID OINTMENT

Sodium Fusidate (micronised) (2% w/w)

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What Axcel Fusidic Acid Ointment is used for

Axcel Fusidic Acid Ointment is used to treat conditions where the skin is infected by germs (bacteria).

How Axcel Fusidic Acid Ointment works

Axcel Fusidic Acid Ointment contains sodium fusidate. Sodium fusidate is the sodium salt of fusidic acid (a type of antibiotic). Axcel Fusidic Acid Ointment works by killing germs (bacteria) that cause infections.

Before you use Axcel Fusidic Acid Ointment

- When you must not use it

Do not use Axcel Fusidic Acid Ointment:

- If you are allergic to fusidic acid or any of the other ingredients of this medicine listed at the end of this leaflet
- Avoid prolonged use in infants and children.
- If you are pregnant, think you might be pregnant or breastfeeding, ask your doctor or pharmacist for advice before using this medicine. Tell your doctor if you become pregnant while using this medicine.
- You must not use your medicine for a long time or in large amounts.

– <u>Before you start to use it</u>

Tell your doctor if:

- If you are allergic to any medicines.
- If you are taking and using any other medicines (including those not prescribed by your doctor).
- If you use the ointment over a long time, it may leads to problems of resistance.

- <u>Taking other medicines</u>

Tell your doctor if you are taking any other medicines, including any that you buy without a prescription from a pharmacy, supermarket or health food shop.

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

How to use Axcel Fusidic Acid Ointment

This ointment is for external use only.

-<u>How much to use</u>

Apply a thin layer of the ointment to the affected area 2 or 3 times a day, generally for a period of seven days.

– When to use it

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

- How long to use it

Continue taking Axcel Fusidic Acid Ointment for as long as doctor recommends.

-<u>If you forget to use it</u>

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.

-<u>If you use too much (overdose)</u>

Contact your doctor immediately or go to the Emergency Department of

your nearest hospital, if you think you or anyone else may have used 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 Fusidic Acid Ointment.
- 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 Fusidic Acid Ointment to anyone else, even if they have the same symptoms or condition as you.

- Things to be careful of

- Caution should be taken when applying Axcel Fusidic Acid Ointment in the eye region as this preparation may cause irritation if it gets into the eye.
- Repeated topical use of the ointment may lead to problems of resistance.
- Be careful driving or operating machinery until you know how Axcel Fusidic Acid Ointment affects you.

Side effects

Like all medicines, Axcel Fusidic Acid Ointment 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:

• Hypersensitivity reaction in the form of rashes and irritation.

Tell your doctor or pharmacist if you notice anything else that is making

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you feel unwell. Other side effects not listed above may also occur in some people.

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 portal.bpfk.gov.my (Consumers -> Reporting).

Storage and disposal of Axcel Fusidic Acid Ointment

-Storage

Keep Axcel Fusidic Acid Ointment out of reach of children. Keep container well closed. Store your medicine below 25°C. Protect from light.

-<u>Disposal</u>

Do not use Axcel Fusidic Acid Ointment 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

– <u>How it looks like</u>

Axcel Fusidic Acid Ointment is translucent, waxy and water immiscible ointment.

- <u>Ingredients</u> Active Ingredient:

Sodium Fusidate

Inactive Ingredients: Emulgin B2, Liquid Paraffin, White Soft Paraffin.

- <u>MAL Number</u> MAL20021410AZ

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