# **DECLOVIR CREAM 5%W/W**

Acyclovir 5.0%w/w

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This leaflet answers some common questions about DECLOVIR CREAM 5% w/w. It does not contain all the available information.

It does not take the place of talking to your doctor or pharmacist.

All medicines have risks and benefits. Your doctor has weighed the risks of you using this medicine against the benefits they expect it will have for you.

If you have any concerns about using this medicine, ask your doctor or pharmacist.

Keep this leaflet with the medicine.

You may want to read it again

# What DECLOVIR CREAM 5% w/w is used for?

DECLOVIR CREAM contains the active ingredient acyclovir. Acyclovir belongs to a group of

medicines called antivirals. It is indicated for the treatment of cold sores (Herpes simplex infections) of the skin, including initial and recurrent lips/oral and genital Herpes simplex infections.

# How DECLOVIR CREAM 5% w/w works?

Declovir cream works by reducing the severity and duration of cold sores symptoms but does not get rid of Herpes simplex virus infection from your body.

# Before you use DECLOVIR CREAM 5% w/w

When you must not use it

# Do not use DECLOVIR CREAM 5% w/w:

- If you are sensitive to Acyclovir or the excipients.
- If you are not sure, ask your doctor or pharmacist before using DECLOVIR CREAM 5% w/w.

## Before you start to take it

Tell your doctor or pharmacist:

• If you are pregnant, breastfeeding or trying for a baby, tell your doctor or pharmacist before using DECLOVIR CREAM 5% w/w. If you have informed your doctor or pharmacist already, follow his/her instructions carefully.

# Take special care with DECLOVIR CREAM 5% w/w:

If you have a condition where your immune system works less well and your body is less able to fight against infections (e.g. if you have HIV or AIDS or if you have had a bone marrow transplant). If you are

not sure, consult your doctor or pharmacist before using DECLOVIR CREAM 5% w/w.

# Taking other medicines

Tell your doctor about all the other medicines and skin products you use, including prescription and non-prescription medicines, vitamins, herbal supplements, and cosmetics. If you are not sure, ask your doctor or pharmacist before you start to apply Declovir Cream.

# How to use DECLOVIR CREAM 5% w/w

How much to use

# Always use DECLOVIR CREAM 5% w/w as directed by your doctor or pharmacist.

#### Adults and children

- Wash and dry affected area.
- Apply thinly to the affected area 3 to 4 hoursly or 5 times daily for 5 to 10 days.
- Apply sparingly to the affected parts and surrounding areas.

## When to use it

Therapy should start as soon as possible after the start of an infection.

## How long to use it

Use as directed by your doctor.

If the affected area has still not healed after the treatment course, stop using the cream and tell your doctor.

If condition worsens or does not improve after regular use of this

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product as directed, consult a doctor.

## If you forget to use it

Use it as soon as you remember. Then go back to your regular schedule. If it is about time for your next dose, apply just that 1 dose, and continue with your regular schedule. Do not make up the missed dose. If you miss several doses, tell your doctor.

#### If you take too much (overdose)

If you apply a lot or a lot is accidentally swallowed, it could make you ill. Talk to your doctor or go to the hospital as soon as possible.

# While you are using DECLOVIR CREAM 5% w/w

## Things you must do

If you are about to start taking on any other new medicine, medicines obtained without prescription and herbal medicines, tell your doctor or pharmacist that you are using DECLOVIR CREAM 5% w/w.

# Things you must not do

DECLOVIR CREAM 5% w/w is not recommended for application to mucous membranes, such as in the mouth, eye or vagina.

#### Things to be careful of

Particular care should be taken to avoid accidental introduction into the eye.

#### Side effects

Like all medicines, DECLOVIR CREAM 5% w/w can cause side

effects, although not everybody gets them. Some people may be allergic to the cream.

Transient burning or stinging may occur. Reddening or mild drying and flaking of the skin have been reported in a small proportion patients.

If any side effect becomes severe, or you notice any side effect not listed here, please tell your doctor or pharmacist.

## For External Use Only

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 DECLOVIR CREAM 5% w/w

# **Storage**

Store below 30°C. Protect from strong light. Keep container well closed. Keep out of reach of children.

#### Disposal

Dispose the medicine after the expiry date.

Consult your pharmacist on how to safely dispose of any medicines no longer required.

Use by the date on the end flap of the carton.

## **Product description**

## What it looks like

A white cream available in 5g aluminium tube.

#### **Ingredients**

Active ingredient: Acyclovir 5.0% w/w

Inactive ingredient:

Methyl Paraben, Propyl Paraben, White Soft Paraffin, Liquid Paraffin, Monobasic sodium phosphate, Menthol Crystal, Cetearyl Glucoside (and) Cetearyl Alcohol, Phosphoric acid 85%, Oleyl Alcohol, Propylene Glycol, Oil, Tea Tree Cetomacrogol Emulsifying Wax and Purified Water.

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## Manufacturer and Product Registration Holder

#### **Manufacturer**

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