

PHARMANIAGA ACICLOVIR TABLET

Aciclovir (200mg, 400mg)

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What Pharmaniaga Aciclovir Tablet is used for

Pharmaniaga Aciclovir Tablet is an antiviral medicine. Pharmaniaga Aciclovir Tablet is used to:

- treat or prevent *herpes genital* (sexually transmitted disease)
- treat or prevent *herpes simplex* (a viral infection, caused by a group of herpes viruses, that may produce cold sores, genital inflammation, or conjunctivitis)
- treat or prevent varicella infection (chicken pox).
- treat or prevent *herpes zoster* (shingles)

How Pharmaniaga Aciclovir Tablet works

Pharmaniaga Aciclovir Tablet acts on infected cells by stopping the virus from growing.

Before you use Pharmaniaga Aciclovir Tablet

-When you must not use it

Do not take Pharmaniaga Aciclovir Tablet if:

- you are allergic (hypersensitive) to aciclovir, any of the ingredients in Pharmaniaga Aciclovir Tablet.

-Before you start to use it

Your doctor needs to know before you take Pharmaniaga Aciclovir Tablet if you have nervous system abnormalities and renal function impairment.

-Taking other medicines

Tell your doctor or pharmacist if you are taking or have recently taken any other medicines, including medicines obtained without a prescription. Especially:

- Probenecid medication (used to treat gout), as these increase the concentration of Aciclovir and prolong its elimination from the renal subsequently increase toxicity.
- Nephrotoxic medications (medicines that can damage kidney) – concurrent use of Aciclovir with any nephrotoxic medications may increase damaging or destructive to the kidney especially for those with renal impairment.

How to use Pharmaniaga Aciclovir Tablet

-How much to use

Follow all directions given to you by your doctor and pharmacist carefully. They may differ from the information contained in this leaflet. If you do not understand the instructions on the label, ask your doctor or pharmacist for help.

Usual doses:

Adults

- **Genital Herpes infection**
 - Usual dose - 200mg five times a day at four hourly intervals for ten days
- **Herpes zoster**
 - Oral, 800mg, five times a day for seven days.
- **Varicella (Chicken pox)**
 - Oral, 20mg per kg of body weight, up to

800mg per dose, five times a day for seven days.

Children

- **Varicella (Chicken pox)**
 - 20mg per kg of body weight, maximum 800mg), four times a day.
 - Children above 6 years of age: 800mg, four times a day.

You should tell your doctor if you have kidney problems as your doctor may need to alter the normal dose. Doctors sometimes prescribe different doses to individuals with kidney problems. The label on the pack will tell you which dose you should take. If you are still not sure, ask your doctor or pharmacist.

-When to use it

Use as directed by your doctor or pharmacist.

-How long to use it

Continue taking Pharmaniaga Aciclovir Tablet for as long as your doctor recommends.

-If you forget to use it

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

Take the missed dose as soon as you remember. If it is almost time for your next dose, wait until then to take the medicine and skip the missed dose. Do not take 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.

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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 Pharmaniaga Aciclovir Tablet.

Tell your doctor immediately if you became pregnant while taking this medicine.

-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 Pharmaniaga Aciclovir Tablet to anyone else, even if they have the same symptoms or condition as you.

-Things to be careful of

Pregnancy and breast-feeding

If you are pregnant, trying to get pregnant or are breast-feeding you should not take Pharmaniaga Aciclovir Tablet without discussing it with your doctor first.

Driving and using machines

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

Side effects

Like all medicines, Pharmaniaga Aciclovir Tablet can cause side effects, although not everybody gets them.

Visit your doctor or pharmacist immediately if you experienced any side effects after taking this medicine.

- **General:** Fever, headache, peripheral oedema (accumulation of fluid causing swelling) and anaphylaxis (serious allergy reaction) which happened rarely.
- **Nervous:** confusion, dizziness, hallucination, paraesthesia (burning sensation in the hand, arm leg), sleepiness.
- **Digestive:** Diarrhoea, gastrointestinal distress, nausea.
- **Blood and lymphatic:** leucopenia, lymphadenopathy (disease affecting lymph nodes)
- **Musculoskeletal:** Muscle pain
- **Skin:** rashes
- **Urinary:** elevated creatinine which signifies impaired kidney function.

Stop taking Pharmaniaga Aciclovir Tablet and see a doctor straight away if you notice any of the serious side effects listed above. You may need urgent medical treatment.

You may report any side effects or adverse drug reactions directly to the National Centre for Adverse Drug Reaction Monitoring by calling Tel: 03-7883 5490, or visiting the website npra.moh.gov.my (Consumers → Reporting Side Effects to Medicines (ConSERF)/ Vaccines (AEFI)).

Storage and Disposal of Pharmaniaga Aciclovir Tablet

-Storage

Keep out of reach and sight of children. Store below 30°C. Protect from light.

Do not take Pharmaniaga Aciclovir Tablet after the expiry date stated on the label.

-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

Pharmaniaga Aciclovir Tablet 200mg:

Yellow, shield-shaped, bevelled edge tablet with Pharmaniaga icon on one side and plain on the other.

Pharmaniaga Aciclovir Tablet 400mg:

Pink, shield-shaped, bevelled edge tablet with Pharmaniaga icon on one side and plain on the other.

Ingredients:

Pharmaniaga Aciclovir Tablet 200mg:

-Active Ingredient(s):

Aciclovir 200mg

Inactive Ingredients:

Quinoline Yellow Lake, Povidone 30, Croscarmellose Sodium, Isopropyl Alcohol, Magnesium Stearate, Sodium Lauryl Sulphate and Lactose Monohydrate.

Pharmaniaga Aciclovir Tablet 400mg:

-Active Ingredient(s):

Aciclovir 400mg

-Inactive Ingredients:

Carmoisine lake, Povidone 30, Croscarmellose Sodium, Isopropyl Alcohol, Magnesium Stearate, Sodium Lauryl Sulphate and Lactose Monohydrate

-MAL Number(s)

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