# ZORAX CREAM 5% W/W

Acyclovir (5% w/w)

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# What Zorax Cream is used for

It is used for the topical treatment of Herpes simplex virus infections (cold sores) of the skin including initial and recurrent herpes genitalis (sexually transmitted infection at genital area) and herpes labialis (infection of lip, mouth or gums).

#### How Zorax Cream works

The active ingredient in the medicine is Acyclovir. Acyclovir is an antiviral medicine. It works by reducing the severity and duration of cold sores symptoms.

#### Before you use Zorax Cream

#### - When you must not use it

If you are allergic or hypersensitive with acyclovir or any of the other ingredients listed at the end of this leaflet.

## - Before you start to use it

Tell your doctor if you are:-

- Breastfeeding
- Pregnant

#### - Taking other medicines

Please consult your doctor or pharmacist before you take any other medicine, as the interaction between zorax cream and other medicines are not known since zorax cream applied topically is not absorbed in your body.

#### How to use Zorax Cream

#### - How much to use

Apply sufficient quantity to adequately cover all lesions every 3 or 4 hours 5 or 6 times daily for5 to 10 days. A finger cot or rubber glove should be used when applying Zorax Cream to prevent transmission of infection to other body sites or other persons

#### <u>- When to use it</u>

Follow the instructions given to you by your doctor or pharmacist.

# - How long to use it

It is important to take Zorax Cream as long as your doctor prescribes.

# - If you forget to use it

Do not take extra dose to make up for a missed dose. Just take your next dose at usual time.

# - 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 Zorax Cream exactly as your doctor has told you.

<u>- Things you must not do</u>

- Do not share your medicines with others even if they have the same problem as you.
- Do not use at the mucous area and avoid apply into the eye.

# - Things to be careful of

If your experience any side effects, consult your doctor or pharmacist for advice.

# Side Effects

Like all medicines, Zorax Cream can cause side effects, although not everybody gets them. Topical application of acyclovir, especially to genital lesions, may sometimes cause side effects such as temporary stinging, burning, or erythema (reddening of the skin). Erythema and itching have been reported in a small proportion of patients. Mild drying or flaking of the skin has occurred in about 5% of patients.

Any other effects not listed above may also occur in some people. Please refer to your doctor or pharmacist if you experience any other symptoms while taking this medication. You may report any side effects or adverse drug reactions directly to the National Centre for Adverse Drug Reaction Monitoring by visiting the website <u>npra.gov.my</u> [Consumers $\rightarrow$  Reporting Side Effects to Medicines (ConSERF) or Vaccines (AEFI)].

#### Storage and disposal of Zorax Cream

#### - Storage

Store at temperature 30 °C. 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**

<u>- What it looks like</u> White, soft, smooth cream

#### - Ingredient(s)

- Active Ingredient Acyclovir

- Inactive Ingredients

- Liquid Paraffin
- Ethylene Diaminetetraacetate
- Propylene Glycol
- Cetomacrogol 1000
- White Soft Paraffin
- Propyl Paraben
- Methyl Paraben

#### - MAL number

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#### Manufacturer

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#### **Product Registration Holder**

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