

Composition :

Acyclovir 200mg & 400mg Tablet.

Indications : Novirax tablet is indicated for the treatment of viral infections due to herpes simplex virus (type I & II) and varicella zoster virus (herpes zoster & chicken pox). It is indicated for the treatment of herpes simplex virus infections of the skin and mucous membranes including initial and recurrent genital herpes. Novirax tablet is also indicated for the prophylaxis of herpes simplex infections in immunocompromised patients.

Dosage & administration :

Oral : Herpes simplex initial therapy : 200mg 5 times daily for 10 days.

Herpes simplex chronic suppressive therapy : 200-400mg 2 to 4 times daily for 12 months.

Herpes Zoster : 800mg 5 times at 4 hrs intervals for 7-10 days.

Varicella Zoster : 20mg/kg (not more than 800mg) 4 times daily for 5 days.

Children : Under 2 years should be given half of these doses.

Elderly : Dosage may also be reduced as required. Or as directed by the physician.

Side effects : Fever, headache, pain, peripheral edema, rarely anaphylaxis, dizziness, somnolence, diarrhea, elevated liver function tests, gastrointestinal distress, nausea, myalgia, alopecia, pruritus etc. may occur.

Precautions : Novirax should be

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administered with caution to patient with renal impairment and doses should be adjusted according to creatinine clearance.

Contraindication : Novirax is contraindicated for patients who develop hypersensitivity or intolerance to the components of the formulations.

Drug interaction : Probenecid reduces acyclovir excretion and so increases plasma concentration and risk of toxicity.

Use in pregnancy and lactation : There are no adequate and well controlled studies in pregnant women. Novirax should be administered to a nursing mother with caution and only when indicated. Novirax should be used during pregnancy only if the potential benefit justifies the potential risk to the fetus.

Packing :

Novirax-200 : 3 x 10's tablets in blister pack.

Novirax-400 : 2 x 10's tablets in blister pack.