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3. How to use Aciclovir for Infusion

Read all of this leaflet carefully before you start using this medicine because it contains important information for you.

4.2 Posology and method of administration

Dosage in renal impairment:

The possibility of renal impairment in the elderly must be considered. In the elderly, total aciclovir body clearance body weight IV every eight hours for 21 days for disseminated and CNS disease, or for 14 days for disease limited to skin and mucous membranes. The recommended regimen for infants treated for known or suspected neonatal herpes is aciclovir 20 mg/kg body weight IV every eight hours provided renal function is not impaired.

4.3 Contraindications

Do not use aciclovir for infusion:

- in patients with known hypersensitivity to aciclovir or its excipients.
- in patients with severe kidney disease or who are on dialysis.
- in patients with severe liver disease.

5.4 Side effects when taking the medicine

Very rare: Anaphylaxis.

Uncommon: Decreases in haematological indices (anaemia, thrombocytopenia, leucopenia).

Common: may affect up to 1 in 10 people

• nausea
• headache
• abdominal pain
• vomiting
• diarrhoea
• pruritus
• malaise

Ocurrence rate unknown:

• neutropenia
• leucopenia
• pancytopenia
• eosinophilia
• lymphocytosis
• thrombocytosis
• blood dyscrasias
• aplastic anaemia
• agranulocytosis
• neutropenic sepsis

6. Contents of the pack and other information

Each vial contains 250mg of the active ingredient, aciclovir (as the sodium salt), as a powder.

7. Disposal of container and packaging

Do not discard medicines unless they are expired. Do not throw away medicines via wastewater or household waste. Call your local council for details of how to safely dispose of your medicines.

8. What happens if you take too much Aciclovir for Infusion

Overdosage of intravenous aciclovir has resulted in elevations of serum creatinine, blood urea nitrogen and potassium. In patients receiving haemodialysis the dose recommended above (30 or 50 mg/kg body weight) should be halved and administered every 4 hours and after dialysis.

9. Incompatibilities

This medicinal product must not be mixed with other medicinal products except those mentioned in section 6.6.

10. Manufacturing details

This medicinal product is produced by: CP Pharmaceuticals Ltd, Ash Road North, Wrexham, LL13 9UF, UK.

11. Marketing Authorisation Holder

Wockhardt UK Ltd, Ash Road North, Wrexham, LL13 9UF, UK.

12. How to store Aciclovir for Infusion

Store in the original container until it is time to use. Store at 2 to 8°C.

13. Marketing Authorisation number

0800 198 5000 (UK Only)

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This medicine has been prescribed for you only. Do not pass it on to others. It may harm them, even if their signs of
infection are the same as yours.

2. QUALITATIVE AND QUANTITATIVE compositions

Aciclovir for infusion contains sodium

3. WAY OF ADMINISTRATION

Most of the drug is excreted unchanged by the kidney. Clearance of aciclovir is substantially greater than

4. POSITIONS AND DIRECTIONS FOR USE

In the reported cases, these reactions were generally reversible on discontinuation of treatment (see

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