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SCHEDULING STATUS

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PROPRIETARY NAME AND PHARMACEUTICAL DOSAGE FORM**ALLERGEX MEPYRAMINE CREAM**

Active substance is:

Mepyramine maleate 2 g

Preservative:

Methyl hydroxybenzoate 0,123 % m/m

Read all of this leaflet carefully because it contains important information for you.

ALLERGEX MEPYRAMINE CREAM is available without a doctor's prescription, for you to treat a mild illness. Nevertheless, you still need to use ALLERGEX MEPYRAMINE CREAM carefully to get the best results from it.

- Keep this leaflet. You may need to read it again.
- Do not share ALLERGEX MEPYRAMINE CREAM with any other person.
- Ask your health care provider or pharmacist if you need more information or advice.
- You must see a doctor if your symptoms worsen or do not improve within a few days.

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1. WHAT ALLERGEX MEPYRAMINE CREAM IS AND WHAT IT IS USED FOR

ALLERGEX MEPYRAMINE CREAM contains a medicine called mepyramine maleate.

ALLERGEX MEPYRAMINE CREAM is an anti-allergy medicine. It works by blocking a natural substance (histamine) that your body makes during an allergic reaction.

The active substance is: Mepyramine maleate 2 g

The other ingredients are:

Emulsifying wax, Liquid paraffin and Purified water.

ALLERGEX MEPYRAMINE CREAM is used to relieve:

- Pain, itching and inflammation caused by insect stings, bites and nettle rash.

2. WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW BEFORE YOU TAKE ALLERGEX MEPYRAMINE CREAM**Do not take ALLERGEX MEPYRAMINE CREAM**

- If you are hypersensitive (allergic) to mepyramine maleate or any of the other ingredients of ALLERGEX MEPYRAMINE CREAM
- Should not be used for acute vesicular and exudative dermatoses
- Should not be used in premature infants or neonates.
- Should not be used with an air and water tight trauma medical dressing (occlusive dressings).
- Should not be used on broken skin.

Warnings and precautions

Take special care with ALLERGEX MEPYRAMINE CREAM:

- Do not apply **ALLERGEX MEPYRAMINE CREAM** repeatedly for periods longer than a few days and discontinue treatment immediately if an allergic response to a medicine after skin contact (skin sensitisation) occurs.

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Other medicines and ALLERGEX MEPYRAMINE CREAM:

Always tell your health care provider if you are taking any other medicine. (This includes all complementary or traditional medicines).

- No significant interactions described

Pregnancy, breastfeeding and fertility:

If you are pregnant or breastfeeding your baby, please consult your doctor, pharmacist or other healthcare professional for advice before taking this medicine.

The safety of ALLERGEX MEPYRAMINE CREAM in pregnancy and lactation has not been established.

Driving and using machinery

You may feel drowsy or sleepy if this medicine is applied to large areas. If this happens, do not drive or use any tools or machines.

3. HOW TO USE ALLERGEX MEPYRAMINE CREAM

Always use this medicine exactly as described in this leaflet or as your doctor or pharmacist has told you.

Check with your doctor or pharmacist if you are not sure.

The recommended dose is:

Apply to the affected area two to three times a day for up to three days

For external use only

For topical use

Do not share this medicine with any other person.

If you use more ALLERGEX MEPYRAMINE CREAM than you should

If you use more ALLERGEX MEPYRAMINE CREAM than you were told to, consult your doctor or pharmacist. If neither is available, seek help at the nearest hospital or poison control centre.

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If you forget to use ALLERGEX MEPYRAMINE CREAM

Do not double amount of cream to make up for forgotten application.

4. POSSIBLE SIDE EFFECTS

Not all side effects reported for ALLERGEX MEPYRAMINE CREAM

are included in this leaflet. Should your general health worsen or if you experience any untoward effects while taking this ALLERGEX MEPYRAMINE CREAM, please consult your doctor, pharmacist or other healthcare professional for advice.

- An increase in skin redness, swelling and itching in area where you have used the cream. This might be due to mild allergic reaction.
- An increase in sensitivity of the skin to sunlight in the area where the cream was used.

Reporting of side effects

If you notice any side effects not mentioned in this leaflet, please inform your doctor or pharmacist. You can also report side effects to SAHPRA via the “**6.04 Adverse Drug Reaction Reporting Form**”, found online under SAHPRA's publications: <https://www.sahpra.org.za/Publications/Index/8>. By reporting side effects, you can help provide more information on the safety of **ALLERGEX MEPYRAMINE CREAM**.

May also report to Adcock Ingram Limited using the following email: Adcock.AEReports@adcock.com

5. HOW TO STORE ALLERGEX MEPYRAMINE CREAM

Store at or below 25 °C. Protect from light. Keep tightly closed

KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN

Do not store in a bathroom

Do not use after the expiry date stated on the label/tube.

Return all unused medicine to your pharmacist

Do not dispose of unused medicine in drains or sewerage systems (e.g. toilets).

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6. CONTENTS OF THE PACK AND OTHER INFORMATION**What ALLERGEX MEPYRAMINE CREAM contains:*****Each 100 g contains:***

The active substance is: Mepyramine maleate

Other Ingredients are: Emulsifying wax, Liquid paraffin and Purified water.

What ALLERGEX MEPYRAMINE CREAM looks like and contents of the pack:

ALLERGEX MEPYRAMINE CREAM a smooth, white cream with a characteristic odour.

It is packaged in tubes containing 25 gram and jars containing 500 gram.

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Access to the corresponding professional information

It is contained in the packaging of the medicine