


Avoca wart and verruca treatment set | 1 applicator  £3.08 DT = £3.08

ANTIVIRALS > IMMUNE RESPONSE MODIFIERS

Imiquimod

● INDICATIONS AND DOSE

ALDARA[®]

Warts (external genital and perianal)

- ▶ TO THE LESION
- ▶ Child (initiated under specialist supervision): Apply 3 times a week until lesions resolve (maximum 16 weeks), to be applied thinly at night

● UNLICENSED USE

ALDARA[®] Not licensed for use in children.

- **CAUTIONS** Autoimmune disease · avoid broken skin · avoid normal skin · avoid open wounds · immunosuppressed patients · not suitable for internal genital warts · uncircumcised males (risk of phimosis or stricture of foreskin)

● SIDE-EFFECTS

- ▶ **Common or very common** Appetite decreased · arthralgia · asthenia · headaches · increased risk of infection · lymphadenopathy · myalgia · nausea · pain
- ▶ **Uncommon** Anorectal disorder · chills · conjunctival irritation · depression · diarrhoea · dizziness · drowsiness · dry mouth · dysuria · erectile dysfunction · eyelid oedema · face oedema · fever · flushing · gastrointestinal discomfort · genital pain · hyperhidrosis · inflammation · influenza like illness · insomnia · irritability · laryngeal pain · malaise · nasal congestion · painful sexual intercourse · paraesthesia · penis disorder · skin reactions · skin ulcer · tinnitus · uterovaginal prolapse · vomiting · vulvovaginal disorders
- ▶ **Rare or very rare** Autoimmune disorder exacerbated
- ▶ **Frequency not known** Alopecia · cutaneous lupus erythematosus · severe cutaneous adverse reactions (SCARs)

- **CONCEPTION AND CONTRACEPTION** May damage latex condoms and diaphragms.

- **PREGNANCY** No evidence of teratogenicity or toxicity in animal studies; manufacturer advises caution.

- **BREAST FEEDING** No information available.

● DIRECTIONS FOR ADMINISTRATION

ALDARA[®] ▶ **Important** Should be rubbed in and allowed to stay on the treated area for 6–10 hours then washed off with mild soap and water (uncircumcised males treating warts under foreskin should wash the area daily). The cream should be washed off before sexual contact.

- **PATIENT AND CARER ADVICE** A patient information leaflet should be provided.

- **MEDICINAL FORMS** There can be variation in the licensing of different medicines containing the same drug.

Cream

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EXCIPIENTS: May contain Benzyl alcohol, cetostearyl alcohol (including cetyl and stearyl alcohol), hydroxybenzoates (parabens), polysorbates

- ▶ **Aldara** (Meda Pharmaceuticals Ltd)
Imiquimod 50 mg per 1 gram Aldara 5% cream 250mg sachets | 12 sachet  £48.60 DT = £48.60

SALICYLIC ACID AND DERIVATIVES

Salicylic acid

● INDICATIONS AND DOSE

OCCLUSAL[®]

Common and plantar warts

- ▶ TO THE LESION
- ▶ Child: Apply daily, treatment may need to be continued for up to 3 months

VERRUGON[®]

For plantar warts

- ▶ TO THE LESION
- ▶ Child: Apply daily, treatment may need to be continued for up to 3 months

- **UNLICENSED USE** Not licensed for use in children under 2 years.

- **CAUTIONS** Avoid broken skin · impaired peripheral circulation · not suitable for application to anogenital region · not suitable for application to face · not suitable for application to large areas · patients with diabetes at risk of neuropathic ulcers · significant peripheral neuropathy


- **SIDE-EFFECTS** Skin irritation

- **PATIENT AND CARER ADVICE** Advise patient to apply carefully to wart and to protect surrounding skin (e.g. with soft paraffin or specially designed plaster); rub wart surface gently with file or pumice stone once weekly.

- **MEDICINAL FORMS** There can be variation in the licensing of different medicines containing the same drug.

Ointment


▶ **Verrugon** (Optima Consumer Health Ltd)

Salicylic acid 500 mg per 1 gram Verrugon complete 50% ointment | 6 gram  £4.44 DT = £4.44

Liquid

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▶ **Occlusal** (Alliance Pharmaceuticals Ltd)

Salicylic acid 260 mg per 1 ml Occlusal 26% solution | 10 ml  £3.56 DT = £3.56

Salicylic acid with lactic acid

The properties listed below are those particular to the combination only. For the properties of the components please consider, salicylic acid above.

● INDICATIONS AND DOSE

CUPLEX[®]

Plantar and mosaic warts | Corns | Calluses

- ▶ TO THE LESION
- ▶ Child 2-17 years: Apply once daily, treatment may need to be continued for up to 3 months

DUOFILM[®]

Plantar and mosaic warts

- ▶ TO THE LESION
- ▶ Child: Apply daily, treatment may need to be continued for up to 3 months

SALACTOL[®]

Warts, particularly plantar warts | Verrucas | Corns | Calluses

- ▶ TO THE LESION
- ▶ Child: Apply daily, treatment may need to be continued for up to 3 months

SALATAC[®]

Warts | Verrucas | Corns | Calluses

- ▶ TO THE LESION
- ▶ Child: Apply daily, treatment may need to be continued for up to 3 months