Aciclovir

General description

Aciclovir is an antiviral agent used for the treatment of herpes simplex and herpes zoster infections.

INN	Aciclovir
ATC codes	S01AD03 J05AB01
Medicine type	Chemical agent
EML status history	First added in 1997 (TRS 882) for Herpes simplex infections Changed in 1997 (TRS 882) for Zoster Changed in 1997 (TRS 882) for Varicella Changed in 2007 (TRS 946) for Herpes simplex keratitis Changed in 2007 (TRS 950) for Zoster Changed in 2025 (TRS 1064) for Herpes simplex infections Changed in 2025 (TRS 1064) for Varicella
Wikipedia	Aciclovir
DrugBank	Aciclovir

Recommendations

Section Ophthalmological preparations > Anti-infective agents

- Local > Ophthalmological > Ointment: 3% w/w

Indications

Herpes simplex keratitis

Section Antiherpes medicines

- Parenteral > General injections > IV: 250 mg in vial powder for solution for infusion (as sodium dihydrate); 25 mg per mL in vial solution for infusion (as sodium)
- Oral > Liquid: 200 mg per 5 mL
- Oral > Solid: 200 mg tablet
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Section Medicines for viral central nervous system infections

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