

## **PATIENT INFORMATION LEAFLET for CORYX (TABLETS)**

### **SCHEDULING STATUS** S2

### **PROPRIETARY NAME, STRENGTH AND PHARMACEUTICAL FORM**

**CORYX.** Each effervescent tablet contains 4 mg chlorpheniramine maleate, 50 mg pseudoephedrine HCl, 600 mg aspirin and 330 mg vitamin C. Effervescent tablets.

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

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

- Keep this leaflet. You may need to read it again.
- Do not share CORYX with any other person.
- Ask your pharmacist if you need more information or advice.
- You must see a doctor if your symptoms worsen or do not improve after 10 days.

### **2. WHAT CORYX IS USED FOR**

CORYX is used for the treatment of symptoms associated with colds and flu.

### **3. BEFORE YOU TAKE CORYX**

**Do not take CORYX**

- if you are hypersensitive (allergic) to any of the ingredients, including excipients,
- if you have epilepsy.
- if you are pregnant or breastfeeding your baby,
- if you are taking monoamine oxidase inhibitors or within 14 days of stopping such treatment,
- if you have problems with blood clotting (haemophilia),
- if you are a child under the age of 12 years,
- if you are sensitive to aspirin,
- if you have kidney disease,
- if you are receiving oral anticoagulant therapy
- if you simultaneously take alcohol or other central nervous system depressants,
- if you are a phenylketonuric.

**Take special care with CORYX:**

- if you have an overactive thyroid,
- if you have heart disease or cardiovascular disease,
- if you have occlusive vascular disorders, including hardening or thinning of the arteries,
- if you have high blood pressure,
- if you have diabetes mellitus,
- if you have a history of stomach ulcers,
- If you have glaucoma,

- if you have angina pectoris.

Please consult your doctor or pharmacist for advice before taking CORYX if you have any of the above.

- **CORYX** may make you sleepy.

### **Taking CORYX with food and drink**

It is preferable to take **CORYX** after meals.

### **Human reproduction**

Safety in pregnancy and lactation has not been established.

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

### **Driving and using machinery**

**CORYX** may make you feel drowsy/sleepy:

- do not drive because **CORYX** could interfere with your ability to drive safely.
- do not operate any tools or machines.
- do not climb dangerous heights or perform potentially dangerous tasks where impaired decision making could lead to accidents.

### **Important information about some of the ingredients of CORYX**

CORYX contains phenylalanine.

### **Taking other medicines with CORYX:**

Always tell your healthcare professional if you are taking any other medicine. (This includes complementary or traditional medicines.)

Care should be taken if concomitantly taking **CORYX** with the following: Alcohol, pain medicines, sedatives, tranquillisers, medicines for anxiety or for psychoses, antidepressants, guanethidine, reserpine, methyldopa or atropine, anticoagulants, oral antidiabetic preparations, sulphonamides, antigout preparations, atropine, medicines affecting the ears, antibiotics. **CORYX** may interfere with skin testing and should be stopped several days before skin testing.

**CORYX** should be used with caution with the concurrent use of dipyridamole, metoclopramide, metoprolol, carbonic anhydrase inhibitor, corticosteroids, antacids and adsorbents, gold compounds, coumarin anticoagulants, sulfonylurea hypoglycaemic drugs, zafirlukast, methotrexate, phenytoin, valproate, NSAIDs and mifepristone.

If you are taking other medicines on a regular basis, including complementary or traditional medicines, the use of **CORYX** with these medicines may cause undesirable interactions. Please consult your doctor, pharmacist or other healthcare professional for advice.

### **4. How to take CORYX**

Do not share medicines prescribed for you with any other person.

Always take **CORYX** exactly as your doctor has instructed you. You should check with your doctor or pharmacist if you are unsure.

The usual dose is:

Adults and children over 12 years: One tablet every 8 hours if necessary.

Place one tablet in a glass of warm (or cold if so wished) water and allow to dissolve. Drink the contents immediately once the whole tablet has dissolved. Take **CORYX** preferably after meals.

**If you take CORYX you should:**

In the event of overdose, consult your doctor or pharmacist. If neither is available, seek help and contact the nearest hospital or poison control centre.

**If you forget to take a dose of CORYX:**

Do not take a double dose to make up for forgotten individual doses.

## **6. STORAGE AND DISPOSING OF CORYX**

Store all medicines out of the reach and sight of children.

- Store **CORYX** in the tube, tightly closed at or below 25 °C.
- Store in the original container.
- Keep the container in the outer carton.
- Protect from light and moisture.
- Do not use after the expiry date stated on the label.

Return all unused medicine to your pharmacist.

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

## **7. PRESENTATION OF CORYX**

**CORYX** effervescent tablets are packed in aluminium tubes with white plastic closure, packed in a printed carton box. Each tube contains 12 tablets. Each carton contains one tube (12's).

#### **8. IDENTIFICATION OF CORYX**

**CORYX** effervescent tablets are round, biplane, beige to light yellow coloured effervescent tablets, producing a light-yellow solution with a pineapple flavour once dissolved in  $\pm$  200 ml of water.

#### **9. REGISTRATION NUMBER/REFERENCE NUMBER**

27/5.8/0435

#### **10. NAME AND ADDRESS OF REGISTRATION**

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#### **11. DATE OF PUBLICATION**

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