**Patient Information Leaflet**

**SCHEDULING STATUS**

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**ANDOLEX–C LOZENGES STRAWBERRY** lozenge.

Benzydamine hydrochloride 3,00 mg and cetylpyridinium chloride 1,33 mg per lozenges.

Contains sugar:  isomalt 2,56 g.

Contains sweetener:  sucralose 10,00 mg

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

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

- Keep this leaflet.  You may need to read it again.
- Do not share Andolex-C Lozenges Strawberry 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 7 days.

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## 1. What Andolex-C Lozenges Strawberry is and what it is used for

Andolex-C Lozenges Strawberry is used for the symptomatic relief of minor infections and painful conditions of the mouth and throat.

## 2. What you need to know before you take Andolex-C Lozenges Strawberry

Do not take Andolex-C Lozenges Strawberry:

- if you are hypersensitive (allergic) to benzydamine hydrochloride, cetylpyridinium chloride or any of the ingredients of Andolex-C Lozenges Strawberry (listed in section 6).

**Warnings and precautions**

Take special care with Andolex-C Lozenges Strawberry:

- if your sore throat is caused or complicated by a bacterial infection, appropriate antibacterial therapy should be considered
- if you are allergic to salicylic acid or to other anti-inflammatory painkillers.
- if you have a history of asthma because it can bring on an attack.

Do not give to children under 6 years old.

**Other medicines and Andolex-C Lozenges Strawberry**

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

**Pregnancy, breastfeeding and fertility**

The safety of using this medicine during pregnancy and while breastfeeding has not been determined.

If you are pregnant or breastfeeding, think you may be pregnant or are planning to have a baby, please consult your doctor, pharmacist or other health care provider for advice before taking this medicine.

**Driving and using machinery:**

Andolex-C Lozenges Strawberry should not affect your ability to drive or use machines.

It is not always possible to predict to what extent Andolex-C Lozenges Strawberry may interfere with the daily activities of a patient. Patients should ensure that they do not engage in the above activities until they are aware of the measure to which Andolex-C Lozenges Strawberry affects them.

**Important information about some of the ingredients in Andolex-C Lozenges Strawberry**

Andolex-C Lozenges Strawberry contains isomalt and may have a laxative effect.

## 3. How to take Andolex-C Lozenges Strawberry

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

Always take Andolex-C Lozenges Strawberry exactly as described in this leaflet or as your doctor or pharmacist have told you. Check with your doctor of pharmacist if you are not sure.

The usual dose for adults and children older than six (6) years, is as follows:

- One lozenge should be sucked slowly every one to two hours as required up to a maximum of 12 lozenges per day.
- Do not chew or swallow Andolex-C Lozenges Strawberry whole. It should be slowly dissolved in the mouth.

If you do not feel better after 7 days, please see your doctor or healthcare professional.

**If you take more Andolex-C Lozenges Strawberry than you should**

- You might experience adverse central nervous system effects such as confusion, anxiety or depression.
- You might suffer from nausea and vomiting.

In the event of overdosage, consult your doctor or pharmacist. If neither is available, contact the nearest hospital or poison centre.

**If you forget to take Andolex-C Lozenges Strawberry**

Do not take a double dose to make up for forgotten individual doses. Continue with the next dose as normal.

## 4. Possible side effects

Andolex-C Lozenges Strawberry can have side effects.

Not all side effects reported for Andolex-C Lozenges Strawberry are included in this leaflet. Should your general health worsen or if you experience any untoward effects while taking Andolex-C Lozenges Strawberry, please contact your health care provider for advice.

If the following happens, stop taking Andolex-C Lozenges Strawberry and tell your doctor immediately or go to the casualty department at your nearest hospital:

- swelling in the mouth/ throat which may cause difficulty swallowing or breathing;
- rash or itching affecting the whole body.

These are all very serious side effects. If you have them, you may have had a serious allergic reaction to Andolex-C Lozenges Strawberry. You may need urgent medical attention or hospitalisation.

Tell your doctor if you notice any of the following:

Frequent:

- burning or stinging
- oral numbness

Less frequent:

- dryness of the mouth or thirst,
- tingling, warm feeling in mouth
- altered sense of taste
- sensitivity to light
- swelling of the skin.

If you notice any side effects not mentioned in this leaflet, please inform your doctor or pharmacist.

**Reporting of side effects**

If you get side effects, talk to 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 Andolex-C Lozenges Strawberry.

Alternately you can contact iNova Pharmaceuticals (Pty) Ltd at +27 11 087 0000. Website: www.inovapharma.co.za.

## 5. How to store Andolex-C Lozenges Strawberry

Store all medicines out of reach of children.

Store at or below 30 °C.

Keep blister in carton until required for use.

Do not use after the expiry date stated on the label and/or carton.

Return all unused medicine to your pharmacist.

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

## 6. Content of the pack and other information

What Andolex-C Lozenges Strawberry contains

- The active substances are benzydamine hydrochloride 3,00 mg and cetylpyridinium chloride 1,33 mg per lozenge.
- The other ingredients are carmoisne (CI 14720), citric acid, isomalt, levomenthol, strawberry flavour, sucralose.

**What Andolex-C Lozenges Strawberry looks like and contents of the pack**

Round, red-pink lozenges with a strawberry flavour packed into blisters strips containing 2, 4, 6, 8 or 16 lozenges.

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**Access to the corresponding Professional Information**

The full Professional Information can be found at www.inovapharma.co.za or can be obtained upon request from iNova Pharmaceuticals.