

## WARTICON CREAM

### Abbreviated Prescribing Information

**Presentation:** White homogenous cream containing 0.15% w/w podophyllotoxin.

**Uses:** For the topical treatment of condyloma acuminata affecting the penis and the female external genitalia.

**Dosage and Administration:** The affected area should be thoroughly washed with soap and water, and dried prior to application. Using a fingertip, Warticon cream is applied twice daily for 3 days using only enough cream to just cover each wart. The hands should be thoroughly washed after each application. Residual warts should be treated with further courses of twice daily applications for 3 days at weekly intervals, if necessary, for a total of 4 weeks of treatment. Where lesions are greater in area than 4cm<sup>2</sup> it is recommended that treatment takes place under the direct supervision of medical staff.

**Contra-indications, Warnings etc:** Not for use in children, open wounds, hypersensitivity to podophyllotoxin. Avoid contact with the eyes. In the event of the preparation entering the eye, the eye should be thoroughly bathed in water. Prolonged contact with healthy skin should be avoided, as the cream contains an active pharmaceutical substance that could be harmful to healthy skin.

**Side Effects:** Local irritation may occur on the second or third day of application associated with the start of wart necrosis. In the majority of cases the reactions are mild.

**Use in pregnancy:** Do not use during pregnancy or lactation.

**Overdosage:** There have been no reported overdosages with Warticon Cream. No specific antidote is known. In the event of accidental ingestion give emetic or stomach washout. Treatment should be symptomatic and in severe oral overdose ensure the airway is clear and give fluids, check and correct electrolyte balance, monitor blood gases and liver function. Blood count should be monitored for at least five days.

**Pharmaceutical Precautions:** Product should be stored at room temperature.

**Legal Category:** POM.

**Package Quantities:** Single tube containing 5g of Warticon Cream. The pack also contains a mirror to facilitate accurate application.

**Basic NHS Cost:** Warticon Cream 5g £16.62.

**Product Licence Number:** PL0174/0210.

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