

For the use of Registered Medical Practitioner or Hospital use or Laboratory use only

Rhinocort™ Nasal spray

Rhinocort™ Aqua

Composition

Each metered spray supplies budesonide 50 mcg.

Each metered spray supplies budesonide 64mcg.

Description: Budesonide (Rhinocort™) has shown a favourable relation between local anti-inflammatory effect and systemic corticosteroid side effects over a wide dose range. The reason for this favourable relationship between therapeutic effect and systemic side effects is that budesonide is inactivated rapidly in the liver after systemic absorption. Blockage of the immediate reaction needs a longer pretreatment period (at least one week) than inhibition of the late reaction. Budesonide given prophylactically has also shown protective effect against the immediate allergic reaction. During long-term treatment in adults with perennial rhinitis, Rhinocort™ has proved to be well tolerated.

Indications: Seasonal and perennial allergic rhinitis and vasomotor rhinitis. Prevention of nasal polyps after polypectomy.

Adverse Reactions: Occasionally, sneezing attacks may follow immediately after the use of the aerosol. Slight hemorrhagic secretions may occur.

Precautions: Special care is needed in patients with fungal and certain viral nasal infections, e.g. herpes. Administration during pregnancy should be avoided unless there are compelling reasons. There is no information regarding the passage of budesonide into breast milk.

Dosage: Hay-fever: Two applications into each nostril morning and evening. **Perennial rhinitis:** Two applications into each nostril morning and evening. When a good effect has been achieved, the dosage may be reduced to one application into each nostril morning and evening. The patient should be informed that the full effect of Rhinocort™ is not achieved until after a few days. Treatment of seasonal rhinitis should, if possible, start before exposure to allergens. Concomitant treatment may sometimes be necessary to counteract potential eye symptoms caused by the allergy. In continuous long-term treatment, the nasal mucosa should be inspected regularly, e.g. every 6 months.

Presentation: Rhinocort™ Nasal Spray, 200 doses; Rhinocort™ Aqua, 200 doses

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