



Silvadene Cream

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Silvadene Cream Uses



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- ▶ Silvadene Cream is a prescription topical antibiotic that fights bacteria and yeast on the skin.
- ▶ The lowest price for the most common version of generic Silvadene Cream is around the average retail price of \$20.97.
- ▶ Silvadene Cream is used to treat or prevent serious infection on areas of skin with second- or third-degree burns. Silvadene may be used alone, or with other medications.
- ▶ Do not use Silvadene Cream in larger or smaller amounts, or for longer than recommended.

Application of Silvadene Cream



- ▶ Wash your hands before and after applying Silvadene Cream.
- ▶ The person applying Silvadene Cream to burn wounds should wear sterile disposable gloves. Take care to keep the treatment area as clean as possible to prevent further infection.
- ▶ Clean the area to be treated as directed by your doctor. Apply enough Silvadene Cream to cover the affected area evenly. This medicine should be applied in a layer about one 16th (1/16) of an inch thick, or 1.6 millimeters.
- ▶ If needed, apply more cream to replace any medicine that has come off on bandages, clothing, or bed linens.
- ▶ Silvadene Cream is usually applied 1 or 2 times daily. Burn wounds must be kept covered with this medicine at all times.
- ▶ Treated skin areas can be left uncovered, or you may use a gauze bandage, as per MD order.

Possible Side Effects Of Silvadene Cream



- Sudden weakness or ill feeling, fever, chills, sore throat, mouth sores, red or swollen gums, trouble swallowing.
- Easy bruising, unusual bleeding (nose, mouth, vagina, or rectum), purple or red pinpoint spots under your skin.
- Pale or yellowed skin, dark colored urine, fever, confusion or weakness.
- Kidney problems-red or pink urine, little or no urinating, swelling, rapid weight gain. MD may order frequent kidney function tests, when a patient is on Silvadene Cream.
- Liver problems-nausea, upper stomach pain, itching, tired feeling, loss of appetite, dark urine, clay-colored stool.
- Severe skin reaction-fever, sore throat, swelling in your face or tongue, burning in your eyes, skin pain, followed by a red or purple skin rash that spreads (especially in the face or upper body) and causes blistering and peeling.

Important Education For Our Patients When Using Silvadene Cream



- ▶ Educate patients to use Silvadene for the full prescribed length of time. Reinforce when educating patients that symptoms may improve, before the infection is completely cleared. Skipping doses may also increase a patient's risk of further infection that is resistant to antibiotics.
- ▶ Patients who have an allergy to sulfa medications cannot use Silvadene Cream.
- ▶ Store Silvadene at room temperature, away from moisture and heat.
- ▶ Other drugs may interact with Silvadene Cream including prescription and over-the-counter medications, vitamins, and herbal-products.