

Locked in prices, guaranteed cost savings
25% LESS than Drug Tariff Price¹



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**ACIDEX ADVANCE Oral Suspension (sodium alginate & potassium hydrogen carbonate)
 25% Less than the Drug Tariff Price¹**

Wockhardt UK is committed to work with the NHS to achieve their efficiency savings goals by offering high quality branded medicines that provide significant cost savings. Established for over 60 years, and based in North Wales, we are a leading supplier of medicines to both the Hospital and Retail Pharmacy sectors.

Prescribe the brand ACIDEX ADVANCE and see the savings

- ✓ Acidex Advance can save Commissioning Groups and Network Pharmacists **25%** on their sodium alginate & potassium hydrogen carbonate oral suspension when compared to the originator brand or generically written script.^{1,2,3}
- ✓ **Save 60%** (on a cost per ml comparison) by using an Acidex Advance 250ml bottle instead of a Gaviscon Advance 300ml bottle⁴ and **save 67%** on bottle Vs bottle cost.⁵
- ✓ **Price Guarantee** – Fixed prices until March 2022.

	Bottle Size	Acidex Advance List Price	Gaviscon Advance List Price (Drug Tariff) ^{1,3}	25% Cost Saving (per bottle)
Acidex Advance Oral Suspension, Aniseed Flavour	250ml	£1.92	£2.56	£0.64
Acidex Advance Oral Suspension, Peppermint Flavour	250ml	£1.92	£2.56	£0.64
Acidex Advance Oral Suspension , Aniseed Flavour	500ml	£3.84	£5.12	£1.28
Acidex Advance Oral Suspension , Peppermint Flavour	500ml	£3.84	£5.12	£1.28

(Please refer to the full SmPC before prescribing)

Acidex Advance Oral Suspension is available from two UK wholesalers (Alliance Healthcare and McKesson UK) allowing for full, national distribution.

Wockhardt UK also offer two additional brands which could potentially offer you significant savings. If you would like any further information please contact us via our 'contact us' section or email us via: costsavingsbrands@wockhardt.co.uk

Yours sincerely,

Your Health Service Liaison Manager
Wockhardt UK Ltd



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Abbreviated Prescribing Information

Acidex Advance Oral Suspension (Aniseed or Peppermint Flavour) 250ml & 500ml

Sodium alginate 1000mg/10ml, Potassium hydrogen carbonate 200mg/10ml.

Please refer to the Summary of Product Characteristics (SmPC) before prescribing. **PRESENTATION:** Oral Suspension, Aniseed or Peppermint flavoured, white or cream coloured suspension. **INDICATIONS:** For treatment of symptoms resulting from the reflux of acid, bile and pepsin into the oesophagus such as acid regurgitation, heartburn, indigestion (occurring due to the reflux of stomach contents), for instance, after gastric surgery, as a result of hiatus hernia, during pregnancy, accompanying reflux oesophagitis, including symptoms of laryngopharyngeal reflux such as hoarseness and other voice disorders, sore throats and cough. Can also be used to treat the symptoms of gastro-oesophageal reflux during concomitant treatment with or following withdrawal of acid suppressing therapy. **DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION:** Adults and children 12 years and over: 5 -10ml after meals and at bedtime. Children under 12 years: Should be given only on medical advice. Elderly: no dose modification is required in this age group. **CONTRAINDICATIONS:** This medicinal product is contraindicated in patients with known or suspected hypersensitivity to any of the ingredients, or any of the excipients listed in section 6.1 of the SmPC, including the esters of hydroxybenzoates (Parabens). **WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS:** If symptoms do not improve after seven days, the clinical situation should be reviewed. Each 10ml dose contains about 5.1mmol of sodium and 2mmol of potassium. This should be taken into account when a highly restricted salt diet is recommended, e.g. in some cases of congestive cardiac failure and renal impairment or when taking drugs which can increase potassium levels. Each 10ml contains 200mg (2.0mmol)

of calcium carbonate. Care needs to be taken in treating patients with hypercalcaemia, nephrocalcinosis and recurrent calcium containing renal calculi. Parahydroxybenzoates (E214, E216) may cause allergic reactions (possibly delayed). **DRUG INTERACTIONS:** None. **PREGNANCY AND LACTATION:** Clinical studies as well as a large amount of data from post-marketing experience indicate no malformative nor foeto/neonatal toxicity of the active substances. Acidex Advance can be used during pregnancy, if clinically needed. There is no known effect on breast fed infants. Acidex Advance can be used during breast feeding. **UNDESIRABLE EFFECTS:** The following adverse events were reported in clinical practice: Very rare (<1/10,000 cases): Anaphylactic and anaphylactoid reactions. Hypersensitivity reactions such as urticaria. Respiratory effects such as bronchospasm. For further information on adverse effects please refer to the SmPC. **LEGAL CATEGORY:** P **MARKETING AUTHORISATION HOLDER:** Wockhardt UK Ltd, Ash Road North, Wrexham, LL13 9UF, UK. **Marketing Authorisation Numbers:** PL 29831/0697 and PL 29831/0698 **PACKAGE QUANTITIES AND BASIC NHS PRICE:** Acidex Advance oral suspension Aniseed Flavour 250ml: £1.92, 500ml: £3.84; Acidex Advance oral suspension Peppermint Flavour 250ml: £1.92, 500ml: £3.84 **DATE OF API PREPARATION:** 21/10/2019

Adverse reactions should be reported. Reporting forms and information can be found at www.mhra.gov.uk/yellowcard. Adverse events should also be reported to Wockhardt UK Ltd (01978 661261).

References

1. Drug Tariff 10/03/2020 (England & Wales)
2. MIMS - 10/03/2020.
3. Gaviscon Advance is a registered trademark of Reckitt Benckiser Corporate Services Limited, UK.
4. Acidex Advance 250ml list price = £1.92, 300ml pro rata = £2.30, 61% less than Gaviscon Advance 300ml at list price of £5.82 (BNF March 2020).
5. Acidex Advance 250ml list price = £1.92, 67% less than Gaviscon Advance 300ml at list price of £5.82 (BNF 78, March 2020).