**COMPOSITION:** Salicid™ Cream: Each gram cream contains Salicylic Acid BP 120 mg.

**PHARMACOLOGY:** Salicylic Acid has a potent keratolytic & a slight antiseptic action when applied topically to the skin. In low concentrations, the drug has keratoplastic activity (correction of abnormal keratinization) & in higher concentrations, the drug has keratolytic activity (causes peeling of skin). Salicylic Acid softens & destroys the stratum corneum by increasing endogenous hydration (water concentration), probably because of decreased pH, which causes the cornified epithelium (horny layer of the skin) to swell, soften, & then desquamate. Necrosis of normal skin has been associated with overuse of the drug. At high concentrations, Salicylic Acid has a caustic effect. Moisture is essential for Salicylic Acid to exert its action on the skin and for maceration and desquamation of epidermal tissue to occur. The drug has weak antifungal & antibacterial activity.

**INDICATION:** Salicid<sup>™</sup> Cream is indicated for the treatment of following common scaly conditions: - Corns and Calluses (are hard, thick pads of skin caused by pressure and friction. They usually occur on the feet due to poorly f itting shoes and can occur on the hands).

- Warts (small excessive growths of skin caused by a type of virus. Warts often occur on the fingers or on the back of the hands) - Verruca (occurs only on the sole of the feet and can be painful. It often looks like a small white ring of skin with a black dot in the centre)

**DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION:** Apply to the affected area once daily (preferably at night). If possible, hydrate area for 5 minutes to soften prior to application. Occlude the area at night. Wash off in morning.

**OVERDOSE:** An overdose of topical Salicylic Acid is unlikely to occur. If an overdose is suspected or if the medication has been ingested accidentally, a poison control center or emergency room should be called immediately for advice.

**PRECAUTION:** For external use only. Avoid contact with eyes and other mucous membranes.

**SIDE EFFECT:** An allergic reaction (shortness of breath, closing of the throat, swelling of the lips, face or tongue and hives) or severe skin irritation may occasionally occur.

**CONTRAINDICATION:** Should not be used in any patient known to be allergic to Salicylic Acid or any other used ingredients.

**DRUG INTERACTION:** Other topical preparations should not be used on the treated area by Salicylic Acid (unless otherwise directed by the physician). These may interfere with treatment or increase skin irritation.

**USE IN PREGNANCY AND LACTATION:** Pregnancy Category C. If used by nursing mothers, it should not be used on the chest area.

**USE IN CHILDREN:** Should not be used in children under 2 years of age.

**STORAGE CONDITION:** Store below 25°C, protected from light. Keep out of the reach of children.

**HOW SUPPLIED: Salicid™** Cream: Each pack has an aluminium tube containing 30 qm cream.

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