

Possible side effects

Corsodyl can have side effects, but not everybody gets them.

- Stop using the gel and seek immediate medical help if you get a rash, swelling of the mouth or face or have difficulty breathing. These effects may be symptoms of a severe allergic reaction which is very rare.
- Stop using the gel and tell your dentist if you get irritation, soreness or swelling of the mouth.

Other side effects that may occur:


- Temporary staining of the tongue. This disappears when treatment is stopped.
- Temporary staining of the teeth. This can normally be removed by brushing. You can avoid staining by not drinking tea, coffee or red wine – especially one hour after use, and by brushing daily with toothpaste (see How to use). If staining continues it can be removed with a scale & polish from your dentist or hygienist. You can clean your dentures with denture cleaner.

What is Corsodyl Dental Gel for?


The active ingredient is chlorhexidine digluconate which is an antibacterial agent that reduces the formation of dental plaque and is used to:

- Treat and prevent gum disease (gums may bleed when brushed)
- Maintain mouth hygiene
- Promote healing after dental surgery or treatment
- Control recurring mouth ulcers
- Manage denture sore mouth and recurring oral thrush
- Prevent cavities for those at high risk of tooth decay

Check before you use

 Do not use:

- If you have ever had an allergic reaction to chlorhexidine digluconate or any of the other ingredients (see Further information).
- In children under 12 years unless recommended by a dentist.
- Anywhere other than in your mouth. Wash thoroughly if you get any in your eyes or ears.
- Immediately after brushing your teeth. See How to use for more information.

 Take special care with Corsodyl

- Do not bleach fabrics that have been in contact with the gel.

- You may notice a change of taste or burning sensation when you first use the gel. This usually goes away with continued use.

If you do get any side effects, even those not mentioned above, tell your doctor, dentist or pharmacist.

How to store

Keep out of the reach and sight of children.

Do not use after the 'EXP' date shown on the pack.

Do not store above 25°C.

Further information

Active ingredient: Chlorhexidine Digluconate 1% w/w.

Other ingredients: Hydroxypropylcellulose, macrogolglycerol hydroxystearate, sodium acetate, levomenthol, peppermint oil, isopropyl alcohol and water.



Pregnancy and breast feeding

- You can use Corsodyl if you are pregnant or breast feeding.

How to use



- Do not swallow.
- Do not exceed the stated dose.
- Toothpastes can stop Corsodyl working. Rinse your mouth thoroughly with water and wait 5 minutes after brushing your teeth before using Corsodyl. You can also use the gel at a different time of day.



- **Gum disease:** Brush your teeth for at least one minute once or twice daily using 2 cm of gel. Continue the treatment for about one month.
- **Mouth ulcers & oral thrush:** Apply gel directly to the sore areas using your finger tip or a cotton bud once or twice daily for at least one minute. Continue use for 2 days after healing has occurred.
- **Denture sore mouth:** Smear gel lightly over the fitting surfaces of the dentures before insertion; cleanse and soak the dentures in Corsodyl mouthwash for 15 minutes twice daily or as directed by your dentist.
- **Dental surgery or tooth decay:** Use as directed by your dentist.

If your symptoms persist, see your dentist.

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