## Drug Information Sheet("Kusuri-no-Shiori")

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The information on this sheet is based on approvals granted by the Japanese regulatory authority. Approval details may vary by country. Medicines have adverse reactions (risks) as well as efficacies (benefits). It is important to minimize adverse reactions and maximize efficacy. To obtain a better therapeutic response, patients should understand their medication and cooperate with the treatment.
Brand name: ARASENA-A Oint. 3%
Active ingredient: Vidarabine
Dosage form:white ointment
Imprint or print on wrapping:(tube) アラセナ-A 軟膏 3%, MO20E, 外用薬
Effects of this medicine
This medicine improves skin symptoms by suppressing the growth of viruses which are the cause of illnesses.
It is usually used to treat herpes zoster and herpes simplex.
The following patients may need to be careful when using this medicine.Be sure to tell your doctor and
pharmacist.
• If you have previously experienced any allergic reactions (itch, rash, etc.) to any medicines or foods.
•If you are pregnant or breastfeeding.
•If you are taking any other medicinal products. (Some medicines may interact to enhance or diminish medicinal
effects. Beware of over-the-counter medicines and dietary supplements as well as other prescription medicines.)
Dosing schedule (How to take this medicine)
• Your dosing schedule prescribed by your doctor is(( to be written by a healthcare professional))
•In general, apply or spread appropriate amount to the affected area, once to 4 times a day. Strictly follow the
instructions.
•This medicine is not for ophthalmic use. Do not apply the medicine to cornea or conjunctiva.
• If you miss a dose, apply a dose as soon as possible when you noticed. If it is almost time for the next dose, skip the
missed dose and follow your regular dosing schedule. You should not apply two doses at one time.
• If you accidentally apply more than your prescribed dose, consult with your doctor or pharmacist.
•Do not stop applying this medicine unless your doctor instructs you to do so.
Precautions while taking this medicine
•This medicine may degrade or damage contraceptive latex rubber products such as condoms. Avoid contact with
these products.
Possible adverse reactions to this medicine
The most commonly reported adverse reactions include contact dermatitis, stimulating feeling and itch. If any of
these symptoms occur, consult with your doctor or pharmacist.
The symptoms described below are rarely seen as initial symptoms of the adverse reactions indicated
in brackets. If any of these symptoms occur, stop taking this medicine and see your doctor
immediately. No pertinent entries.
The above symptoms do not describe all the adverse reactions to this medicine. Consult with your
doctor or pharmacist if you notice any symptoms of concern other than those listed above.
Storage conditions and other information
•Keep out of the reach of children. Store away from direct sunlight, heat and moisture.
•Discard the remainder. Do not store them.
For healthcare professional use only /

For further information, talk to your doctor or pharmacist.