

FAQ

PACKAGING

1. What is the measurement or dimension of the outerbox of CoronaVac?

The dimension of outer carton (box of 40 vials) is 156mm x 95mm x 44mm (LxWxH).

Additional information: the bar code on the top of the box is the Vaccine Management System (VMS) code - issued by MIMOS Malaysia - a government agency related to IT, R&D and technology. Each box has a different VMS code.

2. What is the volume of the vaccine inside each vial?

The volume of CoronaVac inside each vial:

- 1 dose vial : 0.57 – 0.67ml
- 2 doses vial : 1.22 – 1.28ml

3. Is CoronaVac supplied in the form of pre-filled syringe(s)?

The registered dosage form of CoronaVac in Malaysia is in vial of 1 dose and 2 doses; not in the form of pre-filled syringes.

4. Is CoronaVac supplied in amber-coloured vials?

CoronaVac is supplied in clear glass vials and should be protected from sunlight.

ADMINISTRATION

1. When the vaccine is filled in a syringe, how long can it last?

As per the information stated in the CoronaVac package insert, vaccine that has been filled into the syringe should be used immediately.

2. In an unavoidable situation where the vaccine in the syringe cannot be administered immediately, how long can the vaccine last in the syringe?

There are currently no data to support the stability of the vaccine in a non-pre-filled syringe. It is recommended that vaccinator and vaccinee be fully prepared for vaccine administration prior to filling the syringe.

3. How do you shake the vial before use? Can the vial be shaken as per usual method or does it need to be shaken slowly?

Shake the vial gently to dissolve any stratified precipitate. Once precipitate is dissolved, the vaccine can be used. For further information, refer to the CoronaVac package insert.

4. What is meant by the statement 'Avoid exposure of CoronaVac to disinfectants during use' in the CoronaVac package insert?

This instruction refers to the practice of disinfecting the top of the vial prior to puncture. If the tops of the vial is disinfected with alcohol, allow the disinfectant to completely evaporate prior to puncture.

5. Can CoronaVac be used immediately after removal from storage or is there waiting period before use?

Yes, CoronaVac can be used immediately after removal from storage of 2-8°C.

6. If CoronaVac vial is still unopened and exposed to room temperature, can the vial be stored back under temperature 2-8°C?

CoronaVac must be kept in storage temperature 2-8°C as per product stability data and as stated in the package insert.

For CoronaVac manufactured by Sinovac Life Sciences Co. Ltd. (1 dose and 2 doses), additional stability study under storage temperature of 25°C & 37°C showed the product are stable as follows:

- 25°C : stable for 42 days
- 37°C : stable for 21 days

In case the vial is exposed at room temperature **not exceeding the above conditions**, it can be stored back under temperature 2-8°C.

Stability data for fill and finish product from Pharmaniaga LifeScience Sdn. Bhd. still on going for storage temperature 25°C and 37°C.

7. For multi-dose vial (2 doses), how long can the vaccine can be kept after withdrawal of 1st dose?

It is recommended that the vaccine is being administered immediately after puncturing the vial. In case the second dose cannot be administered immediately, the remaining vaccine is stable under the following conditions:

- 24 hours at 2°C - 8°C after 1st dose being used
- 4 hours at suhu 37°C after 1st dose being used

Discard any unused vaccine if is not kept within the recommended conditions.

BRAND PREFERENCE

Can I select which Covid-19 vaccine I want to be vaccinated with and my preferred time of vaccination?

The vaccine that a person will receive is determined by the Ministry of Health Malaysia. Once you have registered to receive the vaccine in the MySejahtera app, you will be contacted by the Ministry of Health Malaysia on your vaccination timing. Please refer to your MySejahtera app for more information.

PRIVATE SECTOR

Will CoronaVac be available / distributed to private hospitals and / or clinics?

Yes it will be. Inquiries from private sector customers may be directed to the Pharmaniaga Director of Strategic Planning, Pn. Ida Marianna Abdul Rashid via ida.rashid@pharmaniaga.com

VACCINE REMINDER CARD (VRC)

Can Pharmaniaga provide additional Vaccine Reminder Cards (VCR)?

Additional Vaccine Reminder Card (VRC) is not provided. This is in line with instructions from the Bahagian Amalan & Perkembangan Farmasi (BAPF), Program Perkhidmatan Farmasi.

If there is a need for additional VRCs, healthcare facilities must submit a formal application via email with justification at contactcentre@pharmaniaga.com and copy to pharmacycovid19@moh.gov.my

For further information, please visit our website <http://pharmaniaga.com> – COVID-19 VACCINE

Or contact us via:

Toll free: 1800-888-313

Email: contactcentre@pharmaniaga.com

Reference :

- Program Imunisasi COVID-19 Kebangsaan
- <http://vaksinovid.gov.my>
- Jawatankuasa Khas Jaminan Akses Vaksin (JKJAV)'s
- CoronaVac Package Insert (PI)
- Coronavac Consumer Medical Information Leaflet
- CoronaVac Regulatory Data