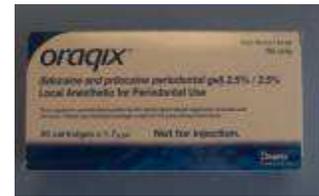


## Oraqix® Noninjectable Anesthetic Gel (Project 05-05) (9/05)

Oraqix® is a microemulsion of 2.5% lidocaine and 2.5% prilocaine gel that is indicated for patients who require localized anesthesia in periodontal pockets during scaling and root planing procedures. The product is dispensed as a liquid and then sets as a gel at body temperature. The solution is placed in the periodontal pocket through a blunt-tip needle from a proprietary dispenser.



### Manufacturer:

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### Suggested Retail Price:

\$99.95 Oraqix® 20 pack (NDC 66312-110-20)  
\$29.95 Dispenser (NDC 6640-110-20)

### Government Price:

\$65.66 Oraqix® 20 pack (NDC 66312-110-20)  
\$25.59 Dispenser (NDC 6640-110-20)

### ADVANTAGES:

- + Provides adequate anesthesia for most SRP procedures
- + Rapid anesthesia onset
- + Sufficient duration of anesthesia
- + Does not require an injection
- + Detailed, easy to read instructions
- + User-friendly
- + Provides ability to selectively deliver anesthesia
- + AOH technicians and hygienists can work more independently
- + Lot number and expiration date printed on each package and cartridge

### DISADVANTAGES:

- Taste not highly rated by patients
- More expensive than local anesthetic
- Dispenser may be difficult to use for a provider with small hands
- Access can be difficult in posterior areas and into a tight sulcus
- May not be effective for all patients

### SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS:

Oraqix® is a unique intra-pocket anesthetic intended for pain control during SRP procedures. A proprietary autoclavable dispenser is used to dispense the anesthetic as a liquid that forms a gel intraorally. Contraindications are similar to other local anesthetics. It has a rapid onset of anesthesia and duration of action sufficient for most SRP procedures. Most patients had adequate anesthesia for treatment and preferred Oraqix® to local anesthetic. Over half of the evaluators reported that patients commented that they disliked the taste of the anesthetic solution. Advanced Oral Hygiene (AOH) technicians and hygienists were able to treat patients without a dentist providing local anesthesia for pain control. Overall, the evaluators gave Oraqix® a favorable rating. All but one evaluator recommended its purchase for their clinic. The **Oraqix®** anesthetic for pain control during SRP procedures is rated **Excellent** for use in US Air Force dental facilities.