

This medicine is sold with a doctor's prescription.

# CHLORPHENICOL SKIN OINTMENT

## Composition:

Chloramphenicol 3%

For the list of inactive ingredients: See section 6 "Further information"

**Read the entire leaflet careful before you using this medicine.** This leaflet contains concise information about this medicine. If you have further questions, refer to the doctor or pharmacist.

This medicine was prescribed for you. Do not forward it to others. It may harm them even if you think that a similar medical condition.

## 1. What is this medicine intended for?

**This medicine is intended to treat topical skin infections caused by microorganisms sensitive to chloramphenicol.**

**Therapeutic group:** antibiotic for local use.

## 2. Before use this medicine:

### ⚠ **Do not use this medicine:**

- If you are sensitive to any of its ingredients or other medicine containing chloramphenicol.
- If you have or someone in your family ever had a blood disorder or bone marrow disease including anemia (decrease in the number of red blood cells). Signs of this include tiredness, unusual bruising or increase in the number of infections.

### ⚠ **Special warning regarding use of the medicine:**

This preparation contains chloramphenicol which may cause a change in the blood picture during short-term or prolonged use, therefore, avoid prolonged use with this preparation.

Do not use this medicine frequently, or for a prolonged period, without consulting a doctor.

If you are sensitive to any type of food or medicine, inform your doctor before commencing treatment with this medicine.

The product is not intended for use in the eye; do not give the medicine to come into contact with them. In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with water.

### ⚠ **Before the treatment with this product, consult a doctor if:**

- If you are pregnant or breastfeeding.
- If you suffer or have suffered in the past from impaired bone marrow function.

⚠ **If you are taking or if you have recently taken other medicines including medicine over the counter, dietary supplement, inform the doctor or pharmacist.** It is especially important to inform the doctor or pharmacist if you are taking:

- Medicine liable to depress bone marrow function (Medicines that may cause a decrease in red and white blood cells, or platelets)
- Medicines for cancer such as methotrexate
- Medicines for the immune system such as azathioprine

### ⚠ **Pregnancy and breast-feeding:**

This medicine should not be used in pregnancy, as the effects are unknown, unless your doctor feels that it is clearly needed. This medicine should not be used whilst breast feeding unless your doctor tells you to use.

If you are pregnant, are planning to become pregnant or breastfeeding, consult your doctor before starting use of this medicine.

## 3. How should you use this medicine?

Always use according doctor's instruction. If you are uncertain as to how to use this medicine, consult your doctor or your pharmacist.

**The dosage and treatment regimen will be determined by the doctor only.**

**The usual dose is usually:**

Rub a small amount onto the affected area 3-4 times a day.

Do not exceed the recommended dosage. If there is no improvement in your condition within a few days, consult the doctor again.

Do not swallow! This medicine is intended for external use only.

**If you have accidentally taken an overdose, or if a child has accidentally swallowed the medicine,** refer immediately to a doctor or to a hospital emergency room and bring the medicine package with you.

**If you forget to take this medicine at the usual time,** do not take a double dose. Take your next dose at the usual time and consult a doctor.

Adhere to the treatment regimen recommended by the doctor.

Do not take medicines in the dark! Check the label and the dose each time you take a medicine. Wear glasses if you need them.

**If you have any further questions regarding use of this medicine, consult your doctor or pharmacist.**

## 4. Side Effects:

As with any medicines, CHLORPHENICOL SKIN OINTMENT use may cause side effects in some users. Do not be alarmed when reading this list of side effects. You may not suffer from any of them.

### **Side effects that require special attention:**

Stop taking your medicine and tell your doctor or pharmacist immediately if you experience the following side effects:

- Allergy reaction with: Wheeziness (shortness of breath), fever, swelling of face, lips or tongue, itching or rash with swelling of the skin (the rash could be accompanied by swelling (puffy) with skin color change, or look like little blisters), sores in the mouth or sore throat that causes difficulty in swallowing or breathing. Swelling of hands, feet or ankles: Contact your doctor immediately!
- A decrease in blood counts that is expressed by fever, sore throat, fatigue, bleeding, weakness or hypersensitivity reaction manifested by redness, irritation, rash, itching, swelling or local infection (that did not exist before using this medicine), bleeding or easily injury - Bruising (rare) stop treatment and consult a doctor.
- Being unable to overcome an infection
- In rare cases, the use of Chloramphenicol may cause changes in blood cells (signs will be severe fatigue or easy bruising)
- Side effects that appear for the first time after the end of treatment: fever, sore throat: consult a doctor immediately.

**If one of the side effects worsens, or if you suffer from a side effect not mentioned in this leaflet, consult the doctor immediately.**

## 5. How should the medicine be stored?

**Avoid poisoning!** This medicine, and all other medicines, must be stored in a safe place out of the reach of children and/or infants, to avoid poisoning. Do not induce vomiting unless explicitly instructed to do so by a doctor!

Do not use this medicine after the expiry date stated on the label/carton/bottle. The expiry date refers to the last day of that month.

Store in a dry place and at a temperature below 25°C. After the first opening, can be used only 28 days but not after the expiry date. Write the opening date on the box.

Even if kept in their original container and stored as recommended, medicines may be kept for a limited period only. Please note the expiry date of the medicine! In case of doubt, consult the pharmacist who dispensed the medicine to you. Do not store different medications in the same package.

## 6. Further information:

**In addition to the active ingredient this medicine also contains:**

Lanolin Anhydrous, Yellow Soft Paraffin.

**What does the medicine look like and what is the content of the package:**

Yellow ointment packaged in tube of 10g.

## **Manufacturer and Registration holder:**

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For simplicity and easier to read, the leaflet is formulated in male language, however the medicine is intended for member of both sex.