

TRETINOIN

Topical Solution

Dear patient,

Please read the following instructions carefully. They contain important information about the use of this medicine. If you have any further questions, please ask your doctor or pharmacist.

Information about TRETINOIN

TRETINOIN is available as 0.1%, 0.05%, and 0.025% viscous topical solution with the following excipients: monopropylene glycol, hydroxypropyl cellulose, glycerin and ethanol.

TRETINOIN is a form of vitamin A used for the treatment of acne vulgaris; an inflammatory skin disorder that causes blackheads, whiteheads or pimples.

Your doctor may prescribe TRETINOIN for other conditions such as keratinization disorders or warts.

The way to use TRETINOIN

Use according to your doctor's instructions.

Do not discontinue the treatment without consulting your doctor.

Wash and dry your hands before and after applying the solution.

Wash the effected area with mild soap and water, let it dry then, apply Tretinoin solution enough to cover lightly the entire affected area once daily before bedtime or as directed by your doctor.

During the start of therapy, the doctor may recommend to apply Tretinoin solution every other night particularly if you have a sensitive skin.

In case of overdose

Wash the extra away with mild soap and water. If you suspect an overdose, irritation develops, or if the drug has been ingested, inform your doctor at once and seek emergency medical attention.

In case of missed dose

Apply the missed dose as soon as you remember unless the next application is near. Go on applying the next scheduled dose as directed. Do not apply a double dose at once.

Contraindications

This drug is contraindicated in the following conditions:

- Hypersensitivity to any of the components.

Precautions

- This medication is for external use only. Do not swallow. Avoid contact with your eyes, lips, nose, mucous membranes, open sores, wounded, burned or irritated skin.
- Avoid washing the affected area frequently and avoid using products that can increase skin irritation such as abrasive soaps, astringent skin cleansers or harsh scrubs.
- It is advised to use a non-comedogenic moisturizer and apply a protective sunscreen every morning after washing your skin.
- Stop the medication and talk to your doctor in case you develop allergic skin reactions such as skin itchiness, skin redness, skin rash, shortness of breath, swelling of the face or neck, decreased blood pressure or dizziness.
- Use with caution in patients suffering from eczema, this medication may cause severe irritation on areas affected with eczema.
- Avoid excessive exposure to sunlight and sunlamps and wear protective clothing when exposure to the sun is unavoidable.
- After 3 to 6 weeks of starting the medication, an exacerbation of acne lesions may occur. Do not discontinue the treatment. Improvement in skin appearance should be noticed after 6 to 12 weeks of treatment.

- Consult your doctor before using this medication in case of pregnancy or lactation.

Associations with other medications

Please inform your doctor if other medicines are being taken or have been taken recently.

It is not recommended to apply other medicinal products on the treated areas.

Adverse reactions

During the first days of treatment, redness, swelling, crusting or peeling may occur at the site of application and usually subside when your skin starts adapting to the medication.

Change in the skin color may also occur which usually goes back to normal when you stop using the medication or when your skin adapts to it.

Other reported adverse reactions include: skin dryness, burning, stinging, warmth or tingling.

Inform your doctor if any side effect appears or becomes bothersome.

Storage

Store at controlled room temperature (up to 30°C), protected from light and humidity, beyond the reach of children. The expiry date is printed on the pack; don't use this medicine after this date.

Pack Presentation

TRETINOIN topical solution, Tretinoin 0.1%, 0.05%, 0.025%, 50 mL

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