Essential drugs / Drugs for external use, antiseptics and disinfectants

MUPIROCIN, ointment

Prescription under medical supervision

Mupirocin should not be used in patients with extended impetigo (more than 5 lesions or more than one skin area involved), bullous impetigo, ecthyma, impetigo with abscess, and in immunodeficient patients: in such cases, oral antibiotic therapy is required.

Therapeutic action

- Antibacterial

Indications

- Localized non bullous impetigo (less than 5 lesions in a single area)

Forms and strengths

- 2% ointment, tube

Dosage and duration

Child and adult: one application 3 times daily, to clean and dry skin, for 7 days
The patient should be reassessed after 3 days. If there is no response, switch to oral antibiotic therapy.

Contra-indications, adverse effects, precautions

- May cause: pruritus and burning sensation; allergic reactions.
- If applying to the face, avoid contact with eyes.
- Pregnancy: no contra-indication
- <u>Breast-feeding</u>: no contra-indication. Do not apply to the breasts.

Remarks

- Do not mix with other ointments (effect of r
- Avoid touching the lesions; keep them cove
- Storage: below 25 °C 7