

EPIROZIN OINTMENT 2% W/W

Mupirocin 2% w/w

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What EPIROZIN is used for

EPIROZIN is a topical antibacterial ointment used to prevent or treat bacterial skin infections such as an infectious skin infection with blistering and crusting known as “impetigo”, infected hair follicles which form pimples containing pus known as “folliculitis” and recurring boils known as “furunculosis.”

How EPIROZIN Ointment works

EPIROZIN is an antibiotic produced through fermentation by *Pseudomonas fluorescens*. When absorbed into the skin, it prevents formation of bacterial protein and kills the bacteria when applied to infected skin area.

Before you use EPIROZIN

- When you must not use it

Do not use EPIROZIN

- if you are allergic to Mupirocin or any other ingredients of EPIROZIN

If you think this may apply to you, do not use EPIROZIN until you have checked with your doctor.

- Before you start to use it

EPIROZIN can cause skin irritation and allergic reactions.

EPIROZIN ointment is not suitable for:

- eye infections
 - use inside your nose
 - skin near tubes inserted into your body for the delivery or removal of fluid (cannulae).
- Keep the ointment away from

your eyes. If the ointment gets into your eyes accidentally, wash them thoroughly with water.

EPIROZIN ointment contains polyethylene glycol, which in large quantities can cause kidney damage. Inform your doctor if you have kidney problem. Avoid applying EPIROZIN to large areas of broken or damaged skin, especially if you have problems with your kidneys.

Pregnancy and lactation

There is only limited information about the safety of EPIROZIN in pregnant women. If you are pregnant, or think you could be, or if you are planning to become pregnant, do not take EPIROZIN without checking with your doctor.

It is not known whether the ingredients of EPIROZIN can pass into breast milk. If you are breast-feeding, you must check with your doctor before you take EPIROZIN.

If you are using EPIROZIN on a cracked nipple, wash the nipple well before breast feeding your baby.

- Taking other medications

Tell your doctor or pharmacist if you're taking any other medicines, if you've taken any recently, or if you start taking new ones. This includes medicines you bought without a prescription.

How to use EPIROZIN

- How much to use

Always use EPIROZIN exactly as your doctor or pharmacist has told you. Check with your doctor or pharmacist if you are not sure.

How to use

- Wash your hands before and

after applying EPIROZIN.

- With a piece of clean cotton wool or a gauze swab, apply a small quantity of EPIROZIN ointment to cover the affected area.
- After applying the ointment, you may cover the treated area with a sterile bandage or gauze dressing, unless your doctor has told you to leave it uncovered.
- Do not mix EPIROZIN with other lotions, creams or ointments. This may dilute EPIROZIN, which may affect your treatment.

- When to use it

You should use EPIROZIN two or three times a day for up to ten days, depending on the response.

- How long to use it

It is important that you take the full course of EPIROZIN. Do not stop early as your symptoms may disappear before the infection is fully cleared.

- If you forget to use it

Apply EPIROZIN as soon as you remember, and apply the next dose at the usual time.

- If you use too much (overdose)

Carefully wipe off the extra ointment. Problems with overdosage with this medicine are unlikely.

If you accidentally swallow EPIROZIN contact your doctor or pharmacist for advice.

While you are using it

- Things you must do

Take your medicine exactly as your doctor as told you.

Tell all the doctors, dentists and pharmacists treating you that you are taking EPIROZIN.

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Tell your doctor immediately if you become pregnant while taking this medication.

- Things you must not do

Do not stop taking the medicine unless advised by your doctor.

Do not take any new medicines without consulting your doctor.

Do not give EPIROZIN to anyone else, even if they have the same symptoms or condition as you.

- Things to be careful of

Do not apply EPIROZIN on eyes.

If you develop an allergic reaction (such as a rash, local pain or swelling) while using EPIROZIN ointment, stop using the preparation and tell the doctor at once.

Side effects

Like all medicines, EPIROZIN can cause side effects, although not everybody gets them.

Tell your doctor/pharmacist/nurse immediately or as soon as possible and stop using EPIROZIN if any of the following happens.

The following side effects have been observed during treatment with EPIROZIN:

- raised and itchy rash
- swelling, sometimes of the face or mouth, causing difficulty in breathing
- collapse or loss of consciousness
- irritation
- inflammation of the skin
- burning sensation

You may report any side effects or adverse drug reactions directly to the National Centre for Adverse Drug Reaction Monitoring by visiting the website npra.gov.my [Consumers →

Reporting Side Effects to Medicines (ConSERF) or Vaccines (AEFI)].

Storage and Disposal of EPIROZIN

- Storage

Keep out of the reach and sight of children.

Store below 30°C.

- Disposal

Medicines should not be disposed of via wastewater or household waste. Ask your pharmacist how to dispose of medicines no longer required. These measures will help to protect the environment.

Product Description

- What it looks like

Translucent, smooth and homogeneous ointment.

- Ingredients

- Active ingredient(s)
 - Mupirocin Calcium
- Inactive ingredients
 - Polyethylene Glycol 4000;
 - Polyethylene Glycol 400

- MAL number(s):

MAL*****

Manufacturer and Product Registration Holder

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