

NEO BETASONE CREAM

(Betamethasone (as 17-valerate) 0.1% w/w, Neomycin (as Sulphate) 0.5% w/w)

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What Neo Betasone Cream is used for

Neo Betasone is useful in treating infective acute or chronic inflammatory dermatoses such as:

- Localized neurodermatitis (itchy patch of skin)
- Psoriasis (raised, red, scaly patches to appear on the skin)
- Atopic or seborrheic dermatitis (dry, itchy rash skin)
- Inflammatory phase of xerosis (dry skin)
- Anogenital pruritus (itching, acute or chronic, affecting the anal, perianal, perineal and genital skin)
- Discoid lupus erythematosus (recurring scaly rash)
- Lichen planus (chronic itchy skin of unknown origin)
- Granuloma annulare (raised reddish or skin-colored bumps (lesions) in a ring pattern)
- Psoriatic plaques (dry, raised, red skin lesions)
- Allergic contact dermatitis or irritant dermatitis

How Neo Betasone works

This cream contains topical corticosteroids. Topical corticosteroids are used to help reduce inflammation in the affected area which helps to reduce redness and itchiness caused by the skin disease. It also contains other

ingredient to help prevent or clear up some bacterial infections of the skin.

Before you use Neo Betasone

When you must not use it

Do not use if you are allergic to corticosteroids, neomycin or any other ingredients contained in this medicine as listed at the end of this leaflet. Do not use on deep or puncture wounds, serious burns or raw areas unless directed by your doctor.

If you are not sure whether you should start using this medicine, talk to your doctor or pharmacist.

Before you start to use it

Tell your doctor if you have allergies to betamethasone, neomycin or any ingredients contained in this medicine.

Pregnancy and lactation

Do not use Neo Betasone if you are pregnant, trying to get pregnant or think you may be pregnant without discussing with your doctor first.

Do not use Neo Betasone if you are breast-feeding. Ask your doctor or pharmacist for advice before taking any medicine.

Long- term continuous topical therapy should be avoided where possible particularly in children, even without occlusion.

Do not bandage the treated skin area unless directed by your doctor.

Taking other medicines

Tell your doctor or pharmacist if you are taking any other medicines, including any that you buy without a prescription from pharmacy, supermarket or health food shop.

How to use Neo Betasone

Always use the medicine exactly as your doctor or pharmacist has told you. Read the direction labels carefully. If you have any concerns

about how to use this medicine, talk to your doctor or pharmacist.

How much to use

Your doctor will advise you how much to use each day, and for how long you will need to use.

Apply sparingly to the affected area.
Adults: One to three times a day.
Children: Once a day.

When to use it

Follow the direction label carefully and as instructed by your doctor or pharmacist.

How long to use it

Follow the direction label carefully and as instructed by your doctor or pharmacist.

If you forget to use it

Follow the direction label carefully and as instructed by your doctor or pharmacist. Use the missed dose as soon as you remember. If it is almost time for your next dose, skip the dose you missed and take your next dose when you are meant to. Do not use a double dose to make up for the dose that you missed. This may increase the chance of you getting unwanted side effects.

If you use too much (overdose)

Immediately call your doctor or go to the emergency department at your nearest hospital if you or anyone else has taken a large amount of this medication.

As it is a topical medication, overdosage only happens with prolonged use with symptoms such as atrophic changes of the skin, burning, itching, dryness, acne and pigmentation. Treatment includes slow withdrawal of the preparation and symptomatic treatment instituted.

If you have accidentally applied too much Neo Betasone, wipe off any excess.

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While you are using Neo Betasone

Things you must do

Use the medication exactly as your doctor prescribed.

- This medicine is for external use only.
- Tell your doctor or pharmacist if you have allergies to betamethasone, neomycin or any of its ingredients listed at the end of this leaflet.
- Tell your doctor or pharmacist what other prescription and non-prescription medicines that you are taking.
- Wash your hands before and after using this medication.
- Tell all the doctors, dentists and pharmacists treating you that you are taking Neo Betasone.
- Tell your doctor immediately if you become pregnant while taking this medication.
- Avoid contact with eyes.

Things you must not do

Do not give Neo Betasone to anyone else, even if their symptoms seem similar to yours. Do not use your medicine to treat any other complaints unless your doctor or pharmacist tells you to.

Things to be careful of

If irritation, sensitization or allergic reaction occurs, stop using it and ask your doctor.

If you are pregnant, trying to get pregnant or are breast-feeding, you should not use this medicine without discussing it with your doctor first.

Side Effects

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

Visit your doctor or pharmacist immediately if you experience any side effects after taking this medicine.

Neo Betasone is usually well tolerated, but if signs of

hypersensitivity appear, application should be stopped immediately.

Prolonged and intensive use may lead to moon face, glaucoma, thinning of the skin with easy bruising, increase in hair growth, loss of hair, reddish purple lines on arms, legs, trunk and groin.

Other side effects not listed above may occur in some patients. Ask your doctor or pharmacist to answer any questions you may have.

You may report any side effects or adverse drug reactions directly to the National Centre for Adverse Drug Reaction Monitoring by visiting the website npa.gov.my (*Consumers→Reporting Side Effects to Medicines (ConSERF) or Vaccines (AEFI)*).

Storage and Disposal of Neo Betasone

Storage

Keep all medicines out of the sight and reach of children.

Do not use this medicine after the expiry date stamped on the pack.

Store below 30°C. Protect from light.

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

White, opaque cream.

Ingredients

Active ingredients

Betamethasone (as 17-valerate):
0.1% w/w

Neomycin (as Sulphate):
0.5% w/w

Inactive ingredients

Cetomacrogol Emulsifying Wax
Vaseline

Liquid Paraffin
Polyethylene Glycol 4000
Chlorocresol

MAL Number(s)

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Manufacturer/ Product Registration Holder

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