

# BEPROSALIC OINTMENT

Betamethasone Dipropionate / Salicylic Acid (0.05% w/w / 3% w/w)

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This leaflet answers some common questions about BEPROSALIC OINTMENT. It does not contain all the available information. It does not take the place of talking to your pharmacist or doctor.

All medicines have risks and benefits. Your pharmacist or doctor has weighed the risks of you taking BEPROSALIC OINTMENT against the benefits they expect it will have for you.

## Keep this leaflet with the medicine.

You may need to read it again.

## What BEPROSALIC OINTMENT is used for

BEPROSALIC OINTMENT is used for the relief of the inflammatory manifestations of corticosteroid-responsive dryness and thickening of the outer layer of the skin disorder which include psoriasis, chronic atopic dermatitis, neurodermatitis and seborrhoeic dermatitis.

## How BEPROSALIC OINTMENT works

BEPROSALIC OINTMENT contains medicine called betamethasone dipropionate and salicylic acid. Betamethasone Dipropionate is a topically active fluorinated corticosteroid which has anti-inflammatory, anti-itching and blood vessel narrowing actions. Salicylic acid has ability to soften the top layer scales of the skin, antibacterial and antifungal actions.

## Ask your pharmacist or doctor if you have any questions about this medicine.

## Before you use BEPROSALIC OINTMENT

### -When you must not use it

### Do not take BEPROSALIC OINTMENT if:

- You are allergic (hypersensitive) to betamethasone dipropionate, other corticosteroids, Salicylic acid, or other salicylates, or any components in the product.

Topical corticosteroids are not recommended in most viral infections of the skin and also tuberculosis (bacterial infection that mainly affects the lungs) and acne.

### -Before you start to use it

Tell your pharmacist or doctor:

- If you have infection on your skin and specify on the infected area.
- If you are using any other skin products

## Pregnancy and breast feeding:

Ask your doctor or pharmacist for advice before using this medicine if you are pregnant or breast-feeding. It should be used only if the

potential benefit justifies the potential risk to the fetus or nursing infant.

### -Taking other medicines

Tell your pharmacist or doctor if you are taking any other products (such as over the counter medicine, prescribed medicine and herbal products).

## How to use BEPROSALIC OINTMENT

Always use BEPROSALIC OINTMENT exactly as your doctor has told you. You should check with your doctor or pharmacist if you are not sure.

### -How much to use

Wash and dry affected area. Apply sparingly to the affected areas and rub in.

### -When to use it

To be applied in twice daily, morning and evening or as directed by your doctor and pharmacist.

### -How long to use it

Consult with your doctor if your symptoms do not improve.

### -If you forget to use it

If you forget to use your ointment at the right time, use it as soon as you remember, then carry on as before. Do not double the dose to catch up.

### -If you use too much (overdose)

If you take too much of this medicine, consult your doctor or pharmacist. Bring any remaining medicine with you.

**While you are using  
BEPROSALIC OINTMENT**

-Things you must do

If you are about to start using on any other new medicine, tell your pharmacist or doctor that you are taking BEPROSALIC OINTMENT.

-Things you must not do

Do not take more than the recommended dose unless your doctor tells you to.

Do not use in or around the eyes.

-Things to be careful of

Discontinue use if irritation, sensitivity, excessive dryness or reaction.

Corticosteroids applied to the skin can be adsorbed in sufficient amounts to produce systemic effects such as adrenal suppression, manifestation of Cushing's syndrome, high blood sugar level and presence of sugar in the urine.

Salicylic acid in preparation applied to the skin can also be absorbed in sufficient amounts to produce salicylism such as nausea, vomiting and hear ringing in the ears.

Thus suitable precautions should be taken during prolonged treatment, when treating extensive body surface areas, when using the occlusive technique and when treating children (because of a larger skin surface area to bodyweight ratio).

Suitable precautions must be taken when treating stasis skin inflammation and other skin diseases with impaired circulation.

**Side effects**

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

Reported local adverse reactions are burning, itching, irritation, dryness, hair follicle inflammation, abnormal hair growth, acne eruptions, lightening of the skin, softening of the skin color, secondary infection, skin thinning, stretch mark and heat rashes. Salicylic acid preparations may cause skin inflammation.

If you get any side effects, even those not mentioned in this leaflet, tell your doctor or pharmacist.

You may report any side effects or adverse drug reactions directly to the National Centre for Adverse Drug Reaction Monitoring by calling Tel: 03-78835549, or visiting the website [npra.moh.gov.my](http://npra.moh.gov.my) (Public → Reporting Side Effects to Medicines (ConSERF) or Vaccines (AEFI).

**Storage and Disposal of  
BEPROSALIC OINTMENT**

-Storage

Store below 30°C.  
Keep container well closed.  
Protect from strong light.  
Keep out of reach of children.

-Disposal

Dispose the medicine after the expiry date.  
Consult your pharmacist on how to safely dispose of any medicines no longer required.

**Product description**

-What it looks like

BEPROSALIC OINTMENT is a white ointment, available in 5g, 15g, and 100g aluminium tubes.

-Ingredients

-Active ingredients:  
Betamethasone Dipropionate 0.064 % w/w (equivalent to 0.05% w/w betamethasone) and Salicylic acid 3% w/w

-Inactive ingredients:  
White Soft Paraffin and Liquid Paraffin.

-MAL number: MAL19871164AZ

**Manufacturer and Product  
Registration Holder**

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