

# FOBAN HYDRO OINTMENT

Sodium Fusidate (2.0% w/w), Hydrocortisone (1.0% w/w)

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

Keep this leaflet with the medication. You may need to read it again.

## What Foban Hydro Ointment is used for

Foban Hydro Ointment is used for inflammatory skin infections (eczema or dermatitis) and also infections caused by germs (bacteria).

If you have any concerns about this medication, ask your pharmacist or doctor.

## How Foban Hydro Ointment works?

Foban Hydro Ointment contains the active ingredients sodium fusidate and hydrocortisone.

Every gram of ointment contains 20 mg of sodium fusidate and 10mg of hydrocortisone.

**Sodium fusidate** is an antibiotic that provides antibacterial activity against most germs (bacteria) on skin.

**Hydrocortisone** is a type of corticosteroid (steroid) that helps to reduce swelling, itching, redness.

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

## Before you use Foban Hydro Ointment

### When you must not use it

### **Do not apply Foban Hydro Ointment if:**

- You are hypersensitive to fusidic acid and its salts, hydrocortisone or to this medicine's ingredients.
- You have bacterial infection which is not responsive to this medicine, viral skin infections, tuberculosis (lung infection), chicken pox, skin infection caused by syphilis, eruptions following vaccination and fungal skin infections.

### Before you start to use it

### **Tell your pharmacist or doctor:**

- If you have an infection on your skin and specify on the infected area.
- If you are using any other prescription or non-prescription medicines or skin products.

### **Pregnancy and breastfeeding:**

- Ask your doctor or pharmacist for advice before taking this medicine if you are pregnant or breastfeeding.
- This medicine should not be used extensively, in large amount or for long periods if you are pregnant.
- Safety of its use during pregnancy and lactation has not been established.
- Do not apply on the breast prior to nursing.

### 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 Foban Hydro Ointment

### How much to use

For adults and children, in uncovered lesions: apply gently 2-3 times a day. In covered lesions: apply less frequently. For more details please refer to your doctor or pharmacist.

### When to use it

Apply onto affected area after washing.

### How long to use it

Consult with your doctor or pharmacist for the treatment period.

### If you forget to use it

Apply the missed dose as soon as you remember. The next use this medicine at the usual time.

### If you use too much (overdose)

**Acute overdose is very unlikely to occur. However, chronic overdosage or misuse may result in increased risk of topical or systemic side effects.**

If you suspect that you are overdosed, please consult your pharmacist or doctor. Bring any remaining medicine with you.

## While you are using Foban Hydro Ointment

### Things you must do

If you are about to start taking on any other new medicine, tell your pharmacist or doctor that you are taking Foban Hydro Ointment.

### Things you must not do

Do not use Foban Hydro Ointment if you have irritation or sensitization after using this medicine.

Things to be careful of

**This medication should be used with caution when applied near the eye area.** If it goes into your eyes, bathe your eyes with eyewash. Your eyes may sting. If you start having any problem with your sight or your eyes is sore, contact your doctor immediately.

**Do not use this medicine for more than 7 days,** unless your doctor or pharmacist has told you to.

Long-term continuous therapy should be avoided in infants as adrenal suppression (hormone imbalance) may occur.

**Do not swallow this medication.** Small quantity may not cause any harm. If you accidentally swallow in a larger quantity, please contact your doctor immediately.

**Side effects**

All medicines have risks and benefits. Your pharmacist or doctor has weighed the risks of you using Foban Hydro Ointment against the benefits they expect it will have for you.

Foban Hydro Ointment may have unwanted side effects in some people. All medicines can have side effects. Sometimes they are serious, most of the time they are not.

The possible side effects related to this medicine that have been reported:

- Itching
- Dryness
- Irritation
- Flare up of dermatitis
- Burning
- Stretch marks
- Thinning of the skin
- Small and dilated blood vessels on the skin
- Excessive hair growth
- Change in skin colour
- Secondary infection

If you apply on the face, a chronic form of acne and rash can occur around your mouth, nose, cheeks and forehead.

Stop using the medicine and seek for immediate help if you have experience: difficulty in breathing, face and throat swell and skin develop severe rash.

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: 03-78835550, or visiting the website [portal.bpfk.gov.my](http://portal.bpfk.gov.my) (Consumers → Reporting)

**Storage and Disposal of Foban Hydro Ointment**

Storage

Keep the tube closed tight. Store below 30°C. Keep in a cool dry place, protected from strong light. Keep out of reach of children.

Disposal

Medicines should not be thrown away in waste water. Dispose the medicine after the expiry date.

**Product Description**

What it looks like

Foban Hydro Ointment is a smooth and colourless ointment.

Foban Hydro Ointment is available in aluminum tubes of 5 gram or 15 gram.

Ingredients

Active ingredients:  
Each gram of ointment contains 20mg of sodium fusidate and 10mg of hydrocortisone.

Inactive ingredients:  
White Soft Paraffin and Liquid Paraffin

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**Manufacturer and Product Registration Holder**

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