

BENZOATES

Benzoic acid with salicylic acid

● INDICATIONS AND DOSE

Ringworm (tinea)

- ▶ TO THE SKIN
- ▶ Child: Apply twice daily

- **UNLICENSED USE** Licensed for use in children (age range not specified by manufacturer).
- **CAUTIONS** Avoid broken or inflamed skin · avoid contact with eyes · avoid contact with mucous membranes
- CAUTIONS, FURTHER INFORMATION**
 - ▶ Salicylate toxicity Salicylate toxicity may occur particularly if applied on large areas of skin.
- **SIDE-EFFECTS** Hypersensitivity · skin burning sensation (mild) · skin reactions
- SIDE-EFFECTS, FURTHER INFORMATION** Treatment should be discontinued if side effects are severe.
- **PRESCRIBING AND DISPENSING INFORMATION** Benzoic Acid Ointment, Compound, BP has also been referred to as Whitfield's ointment.
- **MEDICINAL FORMS** Forms available from special-order manufacturers include: cream, ointment

2.3 Parasitic skin infections

PARASITICIDES

Dimeticone

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● INDICATIONS AND DOSE

Head lice

- ▶ TO THE SKIN
- ▶ Child: Apply once weekly for 2 doses, rub into dry hair and scalp, allow to dry naturally, shampoo after minimum 8 hours (or overnight)

- **UNLICENSED USE** Not licensed for use in children under 6 months except under medical supervision.

IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION

MHRA/CHM ADVICE: HEAD LICE ERADICATION PRODUCTS: RISK OF SERIOUS BURNS IF TREATED HAIR IS EXPOSED TO OPEN FLAMES OR OTHER SOURCES OF IGNITION (MARCH 2018)
See Skin infections p. 744.

- **CAUTIONS** Avoid contact with eyes · children under 6 months, medical supervision required
- **SIDE-EFFECTS** Alopecia · dyspnoea · eye irritation · hypersensitivity · scalp changes · skin reactions
- **MEDICINAL FORMS** There can be variation in the licensing of different medicines containing the same drug.
- Liquid**
 - ▶ **Hedrin** (Thornton & Ross Ltd)
Dimeticone 40 mg per 1 gram Hedrin 4% lotion | 50 ml | P | £3.28 DT = £3.28 | 150 ml | P | £7.62 DT = £7.62
 - ▶ **Lyclear (dimeticone)** (Omega Pharma Ltd)
Dimeticone 40 mg per 1 gram Lyclear lotion | 100 ml | S
- Cutaneous spray solution**
 - ▶ **Hedrin** (Thornton & Ross Ltd)
Dimeticone 40 mg per 1 gram Hedrin 4% spray | 120 ml | GSL | £7.85

Malathion

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● INDICATIONS AND DOSE

Head lice

- ▶ TO THE SKIN
- ▶ Child: Apply once weekly for 2 doses, rub preparation into dry hair and scalp, allow to dry naturally, remove by washing after 12 hours

Crab lice

- ▶ TO THE SKIN
- ▶ Child: Apply once weekly for 2 doses, apply preparation over whole body, allow to dry naturally, wash off after 12 hours or overnight

Scabies

- ▶ TO THE SKIN
- ▶ Child: Apply once weekly for 2 doses, apply preparation over whole body, and wash off after 24 hours, if hands are washed with soap within 24 hours, they should be retreated

- **UNLICENSED USE** Not licensed for use in children under 6 months except under medical supervision.

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- **CAUTIONS** Alcoholic lotions **not** recommended for head lice in children with severe eczema or asthma, or for scabies or crab lice · avoid contact with eyes · children under 6 months, medical supervision required · do not use lotion more than once a week for 3 consecutive weeks · do not use on broken or secondarily infected skin
- **SIDE-EFFECTS** Angioedema · eye swelling · hypersensitivity · skin reactions
- **PRESCRIBING AND DISPENSING INFORMATION** For scabies, manufacturer recommends application to the body but not necessarily to the head and neck. However, application should be extended to the scalp, neck, face, and ears.
- **MEDICINAL FORMS** There can be variation in the licensing of different medicines containing the same drug.
- Liquid**

EXCIPIENTS: May contain Cetostearyl alcohol (including cetyl and stearyl alcohol), fragrances, hydroxybenzoates (parabens)

 - ▶ **Derbac-M** (G.R. Lane Health Products Ltd)
Malathion 5 mg per 1 gram Derbac-M 0.5% liquid | 50 ml | P | £4.26 DT = £4.26 | 200 ml | P | £9.91 DT = £9.91

Permethrin

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● INDICATIONS AND DOSE

Scabies

- ▶ TO THE SKIN
- ▶ Child: Apply once weekly for 2 doses, apply 5% preparation over whole body including face, neck, scalp and ears then wash off after 8–12 hours. If hands are washed with soap within 8 hours of application, they should be treated again with cream

- **UNLICENSED USE** *Dermal Cream* (scabies), not licensed for use in children under 2 months; not licensed for treatment of crab lice in children under 18 years. *Creme Rinse* (head