

MICANOL®**Subacute and chronic psoriasis**

▶ TO THE SKIN

- ▶ Child: Apply once daily, for application to skin or scalp, to be applied for up to 30 minutes, apply 1% cream, if necessary 3% cream can be used under medical supervision

● **UNLICENSED USE**

MICANOL® *Micanol*® licensed for use in children, but not recommended for infants or young children (age range not specified by manufacturer).

DITHROCREAM® *Dithrocream*® is licensed for use in children (age range not specified by manufacturer).

● **CONTRA-INDICATIONS** Acute and pustular psoriasis · hypersensitivity● **CAUTIONS** Avoid sensitive areas of skin · avoid use near eyes● **SIDE-EFFECTS** Skin reactions● **PREGNANCY** No adverse effects reported.● **BREAST FEEDING** No adverse effects reported.● **DIRECTIONS FOR ADMINISTRATION** When applying dithranol, hands should be protected by gloves or they should be washed thoroughly afterwards. Dithranol should be applied to chronic extensor plaques only, carefully avoiding normal skin.

MICANOL® At the end of contact time, use plenty of lukewarm (not hot) water to rinse off cream; soap may be used after the cream has been rinsed off; use shampoo before applying cream to scalp and if necessary after cream has been rinsed off.

● **PRESCRIBING AND DISPENSING INFORMATION** Treatment should be started with a low concentration such as dithranol 0.1%, and the strength increased gradually every few days up to 3%, according to tolerance.● **PATIENT AND CARER ADVICE** Dithranol can stain the skin, hair and fabrics.● **EXCEPTIONS TO LEGAL CATEGORY** Prescription only medicine if dithranol content more than 1%, otherwise may be sold to the public.● **MEDICINAL FORMS** There can be variation in the licensing of different medicines containing the same drug. Forms available from special-order manufacturers include: ointment**Cream**

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EXCIPIENTS: May contain Cetostearyl alcohol (including cetyl and stearyl alcohol), chlorocresol

▶ **Dithrocream** (Dermal Laboratories Ltd)

Dithranol 1 mg per 1 gram Dithrocream 0.1% cream | 50 gram [P] £3.77 DT = £3.77

Dithranol 2.5 mg per 1 gram Dithrocream 0.25% cream | 50 gram [P] £4.04 DT = £4.04

Dithranol 5 mg per 1 gram Dithrocream 0.5% cream | 50 gram [P] £4.66 DT = £4.66

Dithranol 10 mg per 1 gram Dithrocream 1% cream | 50 gram [P] £5.42 DT = £5.42

Dithranol 20 mg per 1 gram Dithrocream 2% cream | 50 gram [POM] £6.79 DT = £6.79

Combinations available: **Coal tar with dithranol and salicylic acid**, p. 797

Dithranol with salicylic acid and zinc oxide

The properties listed below are those particular to the combination only. For the properties of the components please consider, dithranol p. 795, salicylic acid p. 820.

● **INDICATIONS AND DOSE****Subacute and chronic psoriasis**

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● **MEDICINAL FORMS** Forms available from special-order manufacturers include: ointment, paste**DERMATOLOGICAL DRUGS > TARS****Coal tar**

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● **INDICATIONS AND DOSE****Psoriasis | Scaly scalp disorders such as psoriasis, eczema, seborrhoeic dermatitis and dandruff**

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● **CONTRA-INDICATIONS** Avoid broken or inflamed skin · avoid eye area · avoid genital area · avoid mucosal areas · avoid rectal area · infection · sore, acute, or pustular psoriasis● **CAUTIONS**

GENERAL CAUTIONS Application to face

SPECIFIC CAUTIONS

▶ When used for scaly scalp disorders, using shampoo children under 12 years (consult product literature)

● **SIDE-EFFECTS** Photosensitivity reaction · skin reactions● **PRESCRIBING AND DISPENSING INFORMATION** Coal Tar Solution BP contains coal tar 20%, Strong Coal Tar Solution BP contains coal tar 40%.● **HANDLING AND STORAGE** Use suitable chemical protection gloves for extemporaneous preparation. May stain skin, hair and fabric.● **PATIENT AND CARER ADVICE** May stain skin, hair and fabric.● **MEDICINAL FORMS** There can be variation in the licensing of different medicines containing the same drug. Forms available from special-order manufacturers include: cream, ointment, paste**Cutaneous emulsion**

EXCIPIENTS: May contain Hydroxybenzoates (parabens)

▶ **Exorex** (Teva UK Ltd)

Coal tar solution 50 mg per 1 gram Exorex lotion | 100 ml [GSL] £8.11 DT = £8.11 | 250 ml [GSL] £16.24 DT = £16.24

Shampoo

EXCIPIENTS: May contain Fragrances, hydroxybenzoates (parabens)

▶ **Alphosyl 2 in 1** (Omega Pharma Ltd)

Coal tar extract alcoholic 50 mg per 1 gram Alphosyl 2 in 1 shampoo | 250 ml [GSL] £5.81 DT = £5.81

▶ **Neutrogena T/Gel Therapeutic** (Johnson & Johnson Ltd)

Coal tar extract 20 mg per 1 gram Neutrogena T/Gel Therapeutic shampoo | 125 ml [GSL] £3.90 DT = £3.90 | 250 ml [GSL] £5.86 DT = £5.86

▶ **Polytar Scalp** (Thornton & Ross Ltd)

Coal tar solution 40 mg per 1 ml Polytar Scalp shampoo | 150 ml [GSL] £3.46 DT = £3.46

▶ **Psoriderm** (Dermal Laboratories Ltd)

Coal tar distilled 25 mg per 1 ml Psoriderm scalp lotion | 250 ml [P] £4.74 DT = £4.74

Cream

EXCIPIENTS: May contain Isopropyl palmitate, lecithin, propylene glycol

▶ **Psoriderm** (Dermal Laboratories Ltd)

Coal tar distilled 60 mg per 1 gram Psoriderm cream | 225 ml [P] £9.42 DT = £9.42