

## **Calcipotriene (kal-si-poe-TRYE-een)/ Fluorouracil (flure-oh-URE-a-sil)**

Treats plaque psoriasis in adults. Treats actinic or solar keratoses (rough, raised areas of skin heavily exposed to sun). Also treats basal cell carcinoma (skin cancer).

### **When This Medicine Should Not Be Used:**

This medicine is not right for everyone. Do not use it if you had an allergic reaction to calcipotriene or to fluorouracil or you have hypercalcemia. Do not use this medicine if you are or may become pregnant. Do not use this medicine if you have dihydropyrimidine dehydrogenase (DPD) enzyme deficiency.

### **How to Use This Medicine:**

#### **Cream**

- Your doctor will tell you how much medicine to use. Do not use more than directed.
- Do not get this medicine in your eyes, nose, or ears. If it does get on these areas, rinse it off right away. This medicine should not be used on broken skin or inside the vagina or rectum. If you are not sure of the body areas where you can use this medicine, ask your pharmacist.
- Wash your hands with soap and water before and after you use this medicine. Follow your doctor's instructions about how to clean and care for your skin before and after you use this medicine.
- Apply a thin layer to the red, scaly patches on your skin. Rub it in gently until it disappears into the skin.
- You may use a glove, nonmetal applicator, or your fingers to apply this medicine.
- If your doctor tells you to use a bandage, use a gauze bandage with tape. A plastic bandage is more likely to cause skin irritation.

### **Warnings While Using This Medicine:**

- Tell your doctor if you are getting light therapy for your psoriasis.
- Do not put cosmetics or skin care products on the treated skin.
- It is not safe to take this medicine during pregnancy. It could harm an unborn baby. Tell your doctor right away if you become pregnant.
- Make sure your doctor knows if you are breast feeding. Tell your doctor if you are sensitive to preservatives, or if you have any other medical conditions.
- This medicine may make your skin more sensitive to sunlight. Wear sunscreen. Do not use sunlamps or tanning beds.
- Do not use this medicine to treat a skin problem your doctor has not examined. Do not use the medicine in or near your face, eyes, mouth, or vagina.
- Call your doctor if your symptoms do not improve or if they get worse.

### **Possible Side Effects While Using This Medicine:**

#### **Call your doctor right away if you notice any of these side effects:**

- Allergic reaction: Itching or hives, swelling in your face or hands, swelling or tingling in your mouth or throat, chest tightness, trouble breathing
- Fever, chills, or vomiting.
- Severe skin rash or itching.
- Stomach pain, or diarrhea that contains blood.
- Extreme confusion or mood swings
- Increase in thirst or how often you urinate
- Muscle weakness
- Skin burning, pain, redness, or peeling
- Uneven heartbeat
- Worsening of psoriasis

This medicine was compounded specifically for you in a pharmacy to fill the prescription your doctor wrote for you. It was specially made to meet your individual needs. If you have not done so, please discuss this medicine with your doctor to ensure that you understand (1) why you have been prescribed a compounded medicine, (2) how to properly take this medicine, and (3) the interactions, if any this medicine may have with any other medicines you are taking.

Compounding is a long standing pharmacy practice that allows doctors to treat their patients' individual needs without being restricted only to off-the-shelf medicines or devices. This medicine was prepared in a compounding pharmacy to meet the specifications ordered by your doctor.

#### **1. Call your doctor if:**

You experience any side effects.

You are taking additional medicines that may interact with this compounded medicine

You have allergies or other medical conditions that should be noted.

#### **2. Call your pharmacist if:**

Information on the label is not clear to you.

You have any concerns regarding precautions, ingredients or proper storage.

Our pharmacists will be happy to help with any additional questions or concerns.