PATIENT INFORMATION LEAFLET (PIL)

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SULPHUR 10%w/w OINTMENT

Sulphur

Read all of this leaflet carefully before you start using this medicine.

- Keep this leaflet. You may need to read it again.
- If you have any further questions, ask your health care provider.
- This medicine has been prescribed for you. Do not pass it on to others. It may harm them, even if their symptoms are the same as yours.
- If any of the side effects becomes serious, or if you notice any side effects not listed in this leaflet, please tell your health care provider.

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1. WHAT SULPHUR OINTMENT IS AND WHAT IT IS USED FOR

Sulphur ointment contains the active ingredients sulphur. Sulphur is an antiacne agent used to treat seborrheic dermatitis and scabies

2. BEFORE YOU USE SULPHUR OINTMENT Do not use SULPHUR OINTMENT

 if you are allergic (hypersensitive) to the active substance or any of the other ingredients of Sulphur Ointment.

Pediatric

Although there is no specific information comparing use of sulphur in children with use in other age groups, sulphur is not expected to cause different side effects or problems in children than it does in adults.

Geriatric

Many medicines have not been studied specifically in older people. Therefore, it may not be known whether they work the same way they do in younger adults or if they cause different side effects or problems in older people. Although there is no specific information comparing use of Sulphur in the elderly with use in other age groups, Sulphur is not expected to cause different side effects or problems in older people than it does in younger adults.

Pregnancy and breast-feeding

Ask your health care provider for advice before taking any medicine. Although there are no adequate studies in women for determining infant risk when using this medication during breastfeeding. Weigh the potential benefits against the potential risks before taking this medication while breastfeeding.

Interactions with medicines

Although certain medicines should not be used together at all, in other cases two different medicines may be used together even if an interaction might occur. In these cases, your doctor may want to change the dose, or other precautions may be necessary. Tell your healthcare professional if you are taking any other prescription or non-prescription (over the counter) medicine.

Interactions with food/tobacco/alcohol

Certain medicines should not be used at or around the time of eating food or eating certain types of food since interactions may occur. Using alcohol or tobacco with certain medicines may also cause interactions to occur. Discuss with your healthcare professional the use of your medicine with food, alcohol, or tobacco.

3. HOW TO USE SULPHUR OINTMENT

Always use Sulphur Ointment exactly as your health care provider has told you. You should check with your health care provider if you are not sure. The usual dose is one or two times a day.

Use sulphur only as directed. Do not use it more often and do not use it for a longer period than recommended on the label, unless otherwise directed by your health care provider.

Keep sulphur away from the eyes. If you should accidentally get some in your eyes, flush them thoroughly with water.

For seborrheic dermatitis:

Before applying the medicine, wash the affected areas with soap and water and dry thoroughly. Then apply enough medicine to cover the affected areas and rub in gently.

For scabies:

Before applying the medicine, wash your entire body with soap and water and dry thoroughly. At bedtime, apply enough medicine to cover your entire body from the neck down and rub in gently. Leave the medicine on your body for 24 hours.

Before applying the medicine again, you may wash your entire body 24 hours after the last treatment with sulphur, it is important that you thoroughly wash your entire body again.

If you forget to use SULPHUR OINTMENT

- If you miss a dose of sulphur, take it as soon as possible. However, if it is almost time for your next dose, skip the missed dose and go back to your regular dosing schedule.
- Do not take a double dose to make up for a forgotten dose.
- If you have any further questions on the use of this product, ask your health care provider.

4. POSSIBLE SIDE EFFECTS

Like all medicines, Sulphur Ointment can cause side effects, although not everybody gets them.

- Skin irritation absent before use of sulphur.
- Some side effects may occur that usually do not need medical attention. These side effects may go
 away during treatment as your body adjusts to the medicine. Also, your health care professional
 may be able to tell you about ways to prevent or reduce some of these side effects.

Check with your health care professional if any of the following side effects continue or are bothersome or if you have any questions about them:

• Redness and peeling of skin (may occur after a few days)

If any of the side effects gets serious, or if you notice any side effects not listed in this leaflet, please tell your health care provider.

Reporting of side effects

If you get any side effects, talk to your healthcare provider. This includes any possible side effects not listed in this leaflet. You can also report side effects directly to Fidson Healthcare Plc. By reporting side effects, you can help provide more information on the safety of this medicine.

5. HOW TO STORE SULPHUR OINTMENT

Keep all medicines out of the reach of children.

Do not use this medicine after the expiry date which is stated on the carton after 'Exp. Date' used for expiry date. The expiry date refers to the last day of that month.

Store below 30°C, in a dry place.

Do not throw away any medicine via wastewater or household waste. Ask your pharmacist how to throw away medicines you no longer use. These measures will help protect the environment.

6. FURTHER INFORMATION

What SULPHUR OINTMENT contains:

- The active pharmaceutical ingredient is sulphur.

What SULPHUR OINTMENT looks like and contents of the pack:

25g ointment in a tube, placed in a carton with insert.

Supplier and Manufacturer

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