PATIENT INFORMATION LEAFLET

SCHEDULING STATUS

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STAFUBAK OINTMENT 20 mg/g

Sodium fusidate

Contains alcohol (cetyl alcohol): 0,4 % *m/m*

Lanolin (wool fat)

Read all of this leaflet carefully before you start taking STAFUBAK OINTMENT

- Keep this leaflet. You may need to read it again.
- If you have any further questions, please ask your doctor, pharmacist, nurse or other health care provider.
- STAFUBAK OINTMENT has been prescribed for you personally and you should not share your medicine with other people. It may harm them, even if their symptoms are the same as yours.

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1. What STAFUBAK OINTMENT is and what it is used for

STAFUBAK OINTMENT is used to treat conditions where the skin is infected by germs (bacteria), such as:

- impetigo (a weeping, crusty and swollen patch of skin),
- eczema (irritation, dryness, redness, itching, bleeding of skin),
- infected cuts and grazes.

2. What you need to know before you use STAFUBAK OINTMENT

Do not use STAFUBAK OINTMENT

- if you are hypersensitive (allergic) to sodium fusidate or to any of the other ingredients of STAFUBAK OINTMENT listed in section 6 of this leaflet.

Warnings and precautions

Take special care with STAFUBAK OINTMENT if you or a child in your care:

- are going to use STAFUBAK OINTMENT near your eyes;
- use STAFUBAK OINTMENT over a long time or in large amounts it may make the chance of getting any side effects higher. Your skin may also get more sensitive to STAFUBAK OINTMENT.

Do not smoke or go near naked flames - risk of severe burns. Fabric (clothing, bedding, dressings etc.) that has been in contact with STAFUBAK OINTMENT burns more easily and is a serious fire hazard. Washing clothing and bedding may reduce product build-up but not totally remove it.

Other medicines and STAFUBAK OINTMENT

Always tell your health care provider if you or a child in your care are taking any other medicine. (This includes all complementary or traditional medicines.)

Pregnancy and breastfeeding

If you are pregnant or breastfeeding, think you may be pregnant or are planning to have a baby, please consult your doctor, pharmacist or other health care provider for advice before using STAFUBAK OINTMENT.

Avoid applying STAFUBAK OINTMENT on your breasts while breastfeeding.

Driving and using machines

STAFUBAK OINTMENT will have very little or no effect on your ability to drive or use machines.

STAFUBAK OINTMENT contains cetyl alcohol and lanolin (wool fat)

These ingredients may give you an itchy rash and inflammation on your skin where your medicine is used.

3. How to use STAFUBAK OINTMENT

Do not share medicines prescribed for you or a child in your care with any other person.

Always use STAFUBAK OINTMENT exactly as your doctor or pharmacist has told you. You should check with your doctor or pharmacist if you are not sure.

STAFUBAK OINTMENT is only for use on your skin or the skin of a child. Do not swallow or put STAFUBAK OINTMENT inside your body.

Usually, you should apply STAFUBAK OINTMENT three or four times each day.

If you have been told to cover the skin with any dressings or bandages you may not need to use STAFUBAK OINTMENT so often. A nappy on a baby may act as a dressing.

How to put on STAFUBAK OINTMENT:

1. Remove the cap. Check that the seal is not broken before you first use STAFUBAK OINTMENT.

2. Push the spike in the cap through the seal on the tube.
3. Always wash your hands before using STAFUBAK OINTMENT.
4. Rub STAFUBAK OINTMENT gently on the skin. If you use STAFUBAK OINTMENT on your face be careful to avoid your eyes.
5. Unless you are using the OINTMENT to treat your hands, always wash your hands after using STAFUBAK OINTMENT.
6. If you accidentally get any STAFUBAK OINTMENT in your eye, wash it

out with cold water straight away. Then bathe your eye with eyewash if possible. Your eye may sting. If you start to have any problems with your sight or your eye is sore, contact your doctor immediately.

Your doctor will tell you how long your treatment with STAFUBAK OINTMENT will last.
If you have the impression that the effect of STAFUBAK OINTMENT is too strong or too weak, tell your doctor or pharmacist.

If you use more STAFUBAK OINTMENT than you should

If you accidentally apply too much STAFUBAK OINTMENT or have swallowed a small quantity of the OINTMENT, it is unlikely to cause any harm.
However, if a large quantity of STAFUBAK OINTMENT is accidently swallowed, consult your doctor or pharmacist without delay. If neither is available, contact the nearest hospital or poison centre. You or a child in your care may may require medical attention. Take the medicine pack with you.

If you forget to use STAFUBAK OINTMENT

If you forget to use STAFUBAK OINTMENT, use it as soon as you remember.
Apply STAFUBAK OINTMENT at the usual time from then on.

4. Possible side effects

STAFUBAK OINTMENT can have side effects.

Not all side effects reported for STAFUBAK OINTMENT are included in this leaflet. Should your or a child in your care's general health worsen or if you experience any untoward effects while taking STAFUBAK OINTMENT, please consult your health care provider for advice.

If any of the following happens, stop using STAFUBAK OINTMENT and tell your doctor immediately or go to the casualty department at your nearest hospital:

- swelling of your hands, feet, ankles, face, lips and mouth or throat, which may cause difficulty in swallowing or breathing;
- rash, hives or itching;
- fainting.

These are all very serious side effects. If you or a child in your care have them, you may have had a serious reaction to STAFUBAK OINTMENT. You may need urgent medical attention or hospitalisation.

Tell your doctor if you notice any of the following:

Less frequent side effects:

- itchy or dry skin, blisters on your skin
- itching and redness of your eyes, also called "pink eyes",
- pain or irritation at the site of application, including burning, stinging and skin redness.

If you notice any side effects not mentioned in this leaflet, please inform your doctor or pharmacist.

Reporting of side effects

If you get side effects, talk to your doctor or pharmacist. This includes any possible side effects not listed in this leaflet. You can also report side effects to SAHPRA via the "**6.04 Adverse Drug Reaction Reporting Form**", found online under SAHPRA's publications: https://www.sahpra.org.za/Publications/Index/8.

By reporting side effects, you can help provide more information on the safety of STAFUBAK OINTMENT.

5. How to store STAFUBAK OINTMENT

- Store at or below 25 °C.
- Keep the container tightly closed.
- STORE ALL MEDICINES OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN.
- Do not use after the expiry date printed on the label or carton.
- Return all unused medicine to your pharmacist.
- Do not dispose of unused medicine in drains and sewerage systems (e.g. toilets).

6. Contents of the pack and other information

What STAFUBAK OINTMENT contains

The active substance in STAFUBAK OINTMENT is sodium fusidate.

Each gram contains 20 mg sodium fusidate.

The other ingredients are:

Cetyl alcohol

Liquid paraffin

White soft paraffin

Wool fat

What STAFUBAK OINTMENT looks like and contents of the pack

Off-white ointment free from foreign particles.

Aluminium tubes with a white HDPE cap containing 15 g ointment.

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