

## Summary of Product Characteristics

### 1 NAME OF THE MEDICINAL PRODUCT

Diprobase Ointment

### 2 QUALITATIVE AND QUANTITATIVE COMPOSITION

For a full list of excipients, see section 6.1

### 3 PHARMACEUTICAL FORM

Ointment.  
Smooth, uniform white ointment.

### 4 CLINICAL PARTICULARS

#### 4.1 Therapeutic Indications

Diprobase Ointment is an emollient, moisturising and protective ointment for the follow-up treatment with topical steroids or in spacing such treatment. It may also be used as diluent for topical steroids. Diprobase Ointment is recommended for the symptomatic treatment of red inflamed, damaged, dry or chapped skin, the protection of raw skin areas and as a pre-bathing emollient for dry/eczematous skin to alleviate drying areas.

#### 4.2 Posology and method of administration

##### Adults and Children :

The ointment should be thinly applied to cover the affected area completely, massaging gently and thoroughly into the skin. Frequency of application should be established by the physician. Generally, Diprobase Ointment can be used as often as required.

#### 4.3 Contraindications

Hypersensitivity to any of the components of the ointment is a contraindication to its use.

#### 4.4 Special warnings and precautions for use

None stated.

#### 4.5 Interaction with other medicinal products and other forms of interaction

None stated.

#### 4.6 Fertility, pregnancy and lactation

None stated.

#### **4.7 Effects on ability to drive and use machines**

None stated.

#### **4.8 Undesirable effects**

Skin reactions including pruritus, rash, erythema, skin exfoliation, burning sensation, hypersensitivity, pain, dry skin and bullous dermatitis have been reported with product use.

##### Reporting of suspected adverse reactions

Reporting suspected adverse reactions after authorisation of the medicinal product is important. It allows continued monitoring of the benefit/risk balance of the medicinal product. Healthcare professionals are asked to report any suspected adverse reactions via HPRA Pharmacovigilance, Earlsfort Terrace, IRL – Dublin 2; Tel: +353 1 6764971; Fax: +353 1 6762517. Website: [www.hpra.ie](http://www.hpra.ie); E-mail: [medsafety@hpra.ie](mailto:medsafety@hpra.ie).

#### **4.9 Overdose**

None stated.

### **5 PHARMACOLOGICAL PROPERTIES**

#### **5.1 Pharmacodynamic properties**

Diprobase Ointment contains no active ingredients and has no pharmacological action. The ingredients have an emollient action on dry or chapped skin.

#### **5.2 Pharmacokinetic properties**

Not applicable due to topical administration and direct action on the skin.

#### **5.3 Preclinical safety data**

Not relevant.

### **6 PHARMACEUTICAL PARTICULARS**

#### **6.1 List of excipients**

White Soft Paraffin  
Liquid Paraffin

#### **6.2 Incompatibilities**

Not applicable.

#### **6.3 Shelf life**

5 years (tube presentations)  
3 years (500g plastic jar with screw cap)

#### **6.4 Special precautions for storage**

Do not store above 25°C.

## **6.5 Nature and contents of container**

5g, 50g and 100g: Epoxy lined aluminium tubes with plastic caps.

500g: White polypropylene jar closed with a white tamper-evident low density polyethylene screw cap.

Not all pack sizes may be marketed.

## **6.6 Special precautions for disposal of a used medicinal product or waste materials derived from such medicinal product and other handling of the product**

No special requirements.

Any unused product or waste material should be disposed of in accordance with the local requirements.

## **7 MARKETING AUTHORISATION HOLDER**

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## **8 MARKETING AUTHORISATION NUMBER**

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## **9 DATE OF FIRST AUTHORISATION/RENEWAL OF THE AUTHORISATION**

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Date of last renewal: 5<sup>th</sup> October 2008

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