Xenthol[®]30

Methyl Salicylate BP 30% & Levomenthol BP 8% Cream

DESCRIPTION

Xenthol® 30 cream is a preparation of Methyl Salicylate and Levomenthol. This combination is an topical analgesic, which stimulates sensory receptors of warmth and/or cold. This produces a counter-irritant response, which provides temporary relief of minor aches and pains of muscles and joints associated with simple backache, arthritis, strains and sprains. Xenthol® 30 cream is fast acting that penetrates deep down to provide long lasting and effective relief. Methyl Salicylate has been shown that fast pass metabolism exists in the skin and produces rapidly hydrolyzing salicylate ester to release the active salicylate in both epidermis and dermis. It alleviates pain and inflammation by inhibiting the synthesis of prostaglandin that occurs in the inflamed tissues. Levomenthol increases the penetration of drug when applied on the skin.

INDICATIONS

Xenthol® 30 cream is indicated for the fast relief of minor aches and pains of muscles and joints associated with arthritis, bursitis, tendonitis, strains, sprains and leg cramps.

APPLICATIONS

Xenthol® 30 cream is for application on the skin only. It is applied on affected areas not more than 3 to 4 times daily. It should not be applied on scraped, irritated or broken skin. A thin layer to be applied on the affected area and rub in gently. Do not cover with a tight bandage or use with a heating pad as it may cause skin damage. Avoid use near the eyes and mucous membranes. Wash hands thoroughly after applying.

SIDE-EFFECTS

Redness or irritation may occur, especially in persons with sensitive skin. Adverse reactions may include mild to moderate local irritation, erythema, rash, desquamation, pruritus and local reactions at the site of application.

USE IN PREGNANCY AND LACTATION

No adequate and well-controlled studies regarding use of it in pregnant women is available. It should be used during pregnancy only if the potential benefit justifies the potential risk to the foetus.

CONTRAINDICATIONS

Hypersensitivity to Methyl Salicylate, Levomenthol.

OVERDOSE

Large amount of topical application may cause absorption through the skin and may cause salicylism.

PHARMACEUTICAL PRECAUTION

Keep away from light and wet place. Keep out of reach of children.

PACKAGING

Xenthol® 30 cream: Tube containing 15 gram cream. Each gram cream contains Methyl Salicylate BP 300 mg and

Levomenthol BP 80 mg.

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