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Beats the lot – kills bacteria

in surface infections

'Cortisporin'

reduces inflammation

does not cause cross-sensitisation to other antibiotics

does not make bacteria resistant to other antibiotics

> may be used in dermatology or ophthalmology

FORMULA

'Aerosporin' brand Polymyxin	B Sulphate 5000 units
Bacitracin	400 units
Neomycin Sulphate	5 mgm.
Hydrocortisone (free alcohol).	5 mgm.
Petrolatum base	to 1 gm.

ADMINISTRATION

A thin film is applied 2 - 4 times a day. Treatment should be continued for a time after the lesion has healed in order to eliminate any "lurking" bacteria.

PACKING

'Cortisporin' brand Ointment is issued in 10 gm. collapsible tubes, with special nozzle for ophthalmic use.

THE CONSTITUENTS OF 'CORTISPORIN'

The particularly wide antibacterial compass of 'Cortisporin' is due to the three antibiotics, polymyxin, bacitracin and neomycin. Polymyxin kills gram-negative bacteria and is the only antibiotic known to provide unqualified success against *Pseudomonas pyocyanea*. Bacitracin destroys gram-positive organisms, in particular streptococci. Neomycin in addition to being the most effective antibiotic against *Proteus*, is also lethal to staphylococci. Hydrocortisone reduces inflammation.

BACTERIAL RESISTANCE

Bacteria seldom develop resistance to any of the three antibiotics in 'Cortisporin'. Even if such an untoward effect be produced, the susceptibility of the particular organism to penicillin and the broad-spectrum antibiotics remains unimpaired.

SKIN SENSITISATION

The constituents of 'Cortisporin' are unlikely to provoke skin reactions. Patients sensitive to penicillin and other systemically-administered antibiotics are unlikely to be affected adversely by 'Cortisporin', as there is no cross-sensitisation between its constituents and other antibiotics.

CONTRA - INDICATIONS

'Cortisporin' is not recommended for treating corneal herpes (dendritic corneal ulcers) or for conditions where the posterior segment of the eye is involved.

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