

# COCO-SCALP OINTMENT

Coal Tar 2.4% (as Coal Tar Solution 12% w/w), Salicylic Acid 2% w/w and Sulfur - precipitated 4% w/w.

## Consumer Medicine Information

### What is in the leaflet

Please read this leaflet carefully before you start to use your medicine. It answers some common questions about Coco-Scalp ointment.

Keep the leaflet with the medicine. You may need to read it again.

This leaflet only applies to Coco-Scalp ointment.

### What Coco-Scalp Ointment is used for and how it works

Coco-Scalp is for the treatment of dry scaly skin disorders of the scalp such as psoriasis, seborrhoeic dermatitis, dandruff and eczema.

It is a khaki coloured ointment

The active ingredients are Coal Tar Solution 12% w/w, Salicylic Acid 2% w/w and Sulfur-precipitated 4% w/w.

Coco-Scalp works by reducing the scaliness and irritation of the skin associated with dry scaly skin disorders. Coal tar and sulfur reduces inflammation of the skin and salicylic acid helps remove scale.

### Advice before using Coco-Scalp Ointment

Do not use Coco-Scalp if you are:

- Pregnant
- Sensitive to any of the ingredients
- Suffering from any acute infection of the skin

- Suffering from a form of psoriasis which causes the appearance of blisters filled with pus (called pustular psoriasis)

It is not recommended for use on children 12 years of age or less

Avoid any contact with the eyes. If you accidentally get Coco-Scalp in your eyes, wash it out immediately with plenty of cold tap water. If irritation develops, consult a doctor or pharmacist. Do not apply to broken skin.

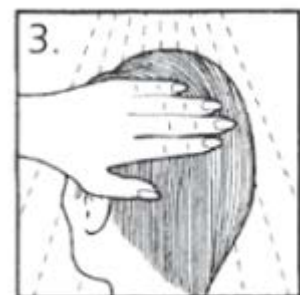
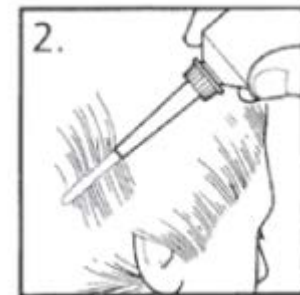
Coal tar may stain clothes and jewellery. Care should be taken to protect or remove these before application.

### How to use Coco-Scalp Ointment properly (For adults and children over 12 year only)

Always check the label for directions on how to use your medicine. Your pharmacist will help if you are not sure.

1. Pierce the tube membrane by inverting the cap. Affix the scalp applicator to the threaded portion of the tube.
2. Part the hair and apply a thin ribbon of Coco-Scalp to the affected area of the scalp. Take care to avoid contact with the eyes. Gently rub in the ointment and leave in contact with the scalp for approximately one hour. Wash the hands afterwards.
3. Remove Coco-Scalp after one hour from the scalp by rinsing with warm water and shampoo. Take care to avoid getting the

application in the eyes. Always wash hands immediately after use.



#### For treatment of mild dandruff:

To be used intermittently as an adjunctive treatment to be applied once a week

#### For treatment of psoriasis, eczema, seborrhoeic dermatitis and severe dandruff.

Apply daily for three to seven days until improvement has been

achieved. Intermittent repeated applications may be necessary to maintain improvement.

If, after the first week, the condition does not improve consult your doctor.

If you forget to apply a dose, do so as soon as you remember and then go on as before.

This medicine is for you. Never give it to others. It may harm them, even if their symptoms are the same as yours.

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## Side effects

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Coco-scalp may cause side effects. These include:

- Irritation of the skin
- Inflammation of the hair follicles
- Rarely, a rash from sensitivity to sunlight.

If you experience these or other ill effects, stop use and ask your pharmacist or doctor about whether you should continue with your treatment

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## In case of overdose

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Immediately telephone your doctor or the National Poisons Information Centre (telephone 13 11 26 in Australia; 0800 POISON (0800 764 766) in New Zealand) for advice, or go to your nearest Accident and Emergency Centre, if you think you or anyone else has swallowed Coco-Scalp Ointment

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## Storage conditions

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Store below 25°C in a dry place, do not refrigerate.

### **FOR EXTERNAL USE ONLY**

Keep your medicine out of the reach of children.

Do not keep/use this medicine when no longer needed or after its expiry date.

Please discard the tube no later than four weeks after first opening

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## List of other ingredients

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Coco-Scalp also contains the following inactive ingredients: Coconut oil, white soft paraffin, glycerol, cetostearyl alcohol, liquid paraffin, polyoxyethylene glycerol monostearate, hard paraffin.

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## If you want to know more

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If you are concerned about any aspect of your treatment with Coco-Scalp ointment, talk to your doctor or pharmacist.

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