

Drug Review

HaloTop®

Halobetasol Propionate 0.01% Lotion



Low concentration, micronized lotion of Halobetasol- A potent steroid balancing the efficacy & safety

About psoriasis¹

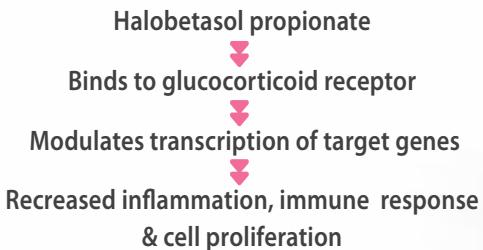
- ➲ Psoriasis is a chronic proliferative and inflammatory condition of the skin.
- ➲ It is characterized by erythematous plaques covered with silvery scales, particularly over the extensor surfaces, scalp, and lumbosacral region.
- ➲ Psoriasis affects populations worldwide, with prevalence ranging from 0.2% to 4.8%.

Gap analysis and unmet needs in halobetasol propionate (HP) lotion 0.01

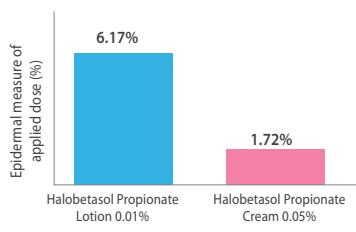
- ➲ HP cream 0.05% is effective in psoriasis but may cause epidermal atrophy, irritation, hypopigmentation and is unsuitable for long-term (≤ 2 weeks) use due to HPA axis suppression.²
- ➲ High steroid load (0.05%) increases systemic absorption risk.²
- ➲ Cream formulation is greasy and less patient-friendly, leading to poor adherence in chronic dermatologic conditions.²
- ➲ Halobetasol lotion contains 0.01% halobetasol and reduced systemic absorption results in minimal suppression of HPA axis.
- ➲ HP lotion 0.01% provides enhanced percutaneous absorption, uniform skin distribution, and once-daily application, improving adherence and tolerability.³

HaloTop (halobetasol propionate lotion 0.01): Mechanism of action⁴

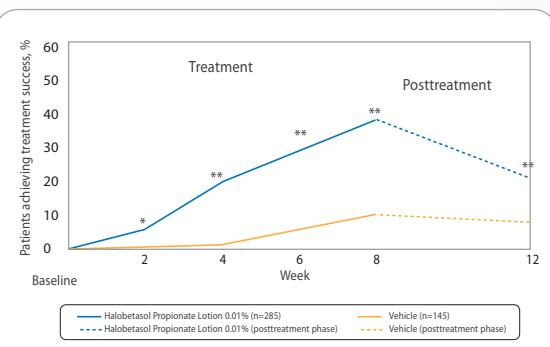
- ➲ HP is a potent corticosteroid that works by inhibiting the release of inflammatory mediators.
- ➲ Halobetasol, with its micronized and low-concentration formulation, ensures better skin penetration & retention, leading to enhanced efficacy at a lower dose.



HP lotion 0.01% gives better skin penetration than HP cream 0.05⁴



Treatment success (≥ 2 -grade improvement in baseline investigator global assessment score & a score of clear or almost clear)⁴



Proven results⁴

- A novel HP lotion 0.01% uses a polymerized matrix with moisturizing oil droplets, enhancing skin hydration and forming a protective barrier.
- The lotion allows faster epidermal penetration with greater retention than HP cream 0.05%, while limiting dermal absorption.
- Clinical studies show HP lotion 0.01% is as effective as HP cream 0.05% in 2 weeks, despite one-fifth the concentration.
- Non-greasy, fast absorbing lotion for superior patient comfort.
- HP lotion 0.01% is well tolerated over 8 weeks of daily use, suggesting potential for longer-term management of moderate to severe psoriasis.

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Tough to the Disease, Gentle on the Skin

5X lower concentration steroid with enhanced skin penetration & retention

Less penetration into the deeper layer reduces steroid related systemic side effects

Non-greasy, Fast absorbing lotion for superior patient comfort

Suitable for long term use upto 8 weeks with an off treatment pause of 4 weeks



In steroid responsive skin condition

- Plaque Psoriasis (in adults and children ≥ 12 years)
- Atopic dermatitis
- Contact dermatitis

Dosage Guideline

Apply **Halotop** (Halobetasol Propionate) 0.01% lotion gently to the affected area once daily for up to 8 weeks, followed by a 4-week off-treatment period

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