Patient Information

Hydrocortisone-17-butyrate

Your TRUE TEST® indicates that you have a contact allergy to hydrocortisone-17-butyrate.

Hydrocortisone-17-butyrate and some related compounds in contact with your skin may result in dermatitis. Hydrocortisone-17-butyrate is a mid-potent corticosteroid present in topical pharmaceuticals.

Where is hydrocortisone-17-butyrate found?

Hydrocortisone-17-butyrate and related corticosteroids are anti-inflammatory agents present in medications prescribed topically for eczema and other local inflammations. It may be found in creams, lotions, ointments, and powders as well as in ear, nose and eye drops for rhinitis, otitis, and conjunctivitis.

How to avoid hydrocortisone-17-butyrate

Avoid preparations that contain hydrocortisone-17-butyrate and cross-reacting corticosteroids. Such preparations are ingredient labeled. If you are strongly allergic a small amount of hydrocortisone-17-butyrate in contact with your skin will cause an eczematous reaction, usually within 24 hours, that can last for about a week. If you are weakly allergic the anti-inflammatory effect of hydrocortisone-17-butyrate may mask the eczema and your skin will not heal.

Inform your healthcare providers that you are allergic to hydrocortisone-17-butyrate and ask that they use products that are free of this allergen.
Other substances to which you may react

Avoid medicaments such as:

- Hydrocortisone-17-aceponate
- Hydrocortisone-17-valerate
- Hydrocortisone-17-buteprate
- Methylprednisolone aceponate
- Prednicarbate

Hydrocortisone-17-butyrate allergic individuals may also react to:

- Hydrocortisone Hydrocortisone acetate
- Methylprednisolone

The list may not be complete.

When purchasing products which may come in contact with your skin, check the list of ingredients for any of the names listed above. If in doubt contact your pharmacist or physician.

This information does not substitute the information given by your health care providers and can only be seen as a supplement.