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Topical medications for skin diseases

Skin creams, lotions, ointments, solutions and potions.

Aciclovir	Eflornithine	Soap
Acne treatment	Emollients	Steroid creams
Alpha hydroxyacids	Erythromycin	Sunless tanners
Anaesthetics (anesthetics)	Escharotic agents	Sunscreens
Azelaic acid	Fingertip units	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Which sunscreen should I use?
Anthralin	Fluorouracil	
Antibiotics for acne	Fruit acids	
Antihistamines	Glycolic acid	Sun protection
Antiperspirants	Honey	Tacrolimus
Antiseptics	Hydroquinone	Tanning agents
Ascorbic acid	Imiquimod	Terbinafine
Benzoyl peroxide	Isotretinoin	Topical antifungal medications
Calcipotriol (calcipotriene)	Ketoconazole	Topical retinoids
Capsaicin	Local anaesthetics	Topical steroids
Cleansers	Management of acne	Treatment of fungal infections
Clindamycin	Metronidazole	Tretinoin
Coal tar	Minoxidil	Vitamin a
Dihydroxyacetone	Moisturisers	Vitamin c
Dithranol	Nitrogen mustard	Vitamin D
	Peels	Wet wraps
	Pimecrolimus	
	Shampoos	

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If you have any concerns with your skin or its treatment, see a [dermatologist](#) for advice.

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