

29 Quinoline mix – Patient Information

Your T.R.U.E. TEST[®] indicates that you have a contact allergy to Quinoline mix. Quinolines are a group of synthetic antibacterial agents that may be used in combination with corticosteroids to treat skin infections such as eczema, athlete's foot, jock itch, and ringworm. It may also be used as an anti-infective, anti-fungal and anti-bacterial agent to treat gastrointestinal, and vaginal infections.

Quinoline mix contains the following two allergens:

- Clioquinol
- Chlorquinaldol

This contact allergy may cause your skin to react when it is exposed to these substances although it may take several days for the symptoms to appear. Typical symptoms include redness, swelling, itching and fluid-filled blisters.

Where is Quinoline Mix found?



At work, you may find Quinoline Mix in or around:

- Antifungals
- Antibacterials

If you suspect you are being exposed to this allergen at work, contact your employer regarding Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS).



At home, you may find Quinoline mix in:

- Prescription and in nonprescription preparations such as: topical antibiotic and antifungal creams, lotions, ointments
- Paste bandages sold in pharmacies for the treatment of wound infections, infected eczema and mycotic skin infections

How can you avoid Quinoline mix?

- Check all skin antibacterial agents for Quinoline mix ingredients.
- Inform your healthcare provider that you are allergic to Quinoline mix and ask that they use products that are free from this allergen. Quinoline preparations are sometimes used topically in surgical wounds. When a topical antibiotic is required, request a suitable safe alternative.
- Use only ingredients that don't list Quinoline, (or synonyms) especially anitbotic preparations.

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What should you look for and avoid?

Avoid products that list any of the following names in the ingredients:

- Clioquinol
- Chlorquinaldol
- Chloriodoquin
- Iodochlorhydroxyquin
- Sterosan
- Vioform

When purchasing products that 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.

What are some products that may contain Quinoline Mix?

- Vioform-hydrocortisone cream/ointment
- Vioform-eardrops
- Clioquinol topical
- Chlorquinaldol H
- Sterosan
- Diodoquin
- Quinolol

*For additional information about products that might contain quinoline mix, go to the Household Product Database online (<http://householdproducts.nlm.nih.gov>) at the United States National Library of Medicine. These lists are brief and provide just a few examples. They are not comprehensive. Product formulations also change frequently. Read product labels carefully and talk to your doctor if you have any questions. These are general guidelines. Talk to your doctor for more specific instructions.



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