

Steroid Ladder

Potency of a topical corticosteroid preparation is a result of the formulation as well as the corticosteroid. Therefore, proprietary names are shown.⁽¹⁾

Proprietary Name	Generic Name
MILD	MILD
Hydrocortisone 0.1–2.5%	Hydrocortisone 0.1-2.5%
Dioderm	Hydrocortisone 0.1%
Mildison	Hydrocortisone 1%
Synalar 1 in 10 dilution	Fluocinolone acetonide 0.0025%
MODERATE	MODERATE
Betnovate-RD	Betamethasone valerate 0.025%
Eumovate	Clobetasone butyrate 0.05%
Haelan	Fludroxycortide 0.0125%
Modrasone	Alclometasone dipropionate 0.05%
Synalar 1 in 4 dilution	Fluocinolone acetonide 0.00625%
Ultralanum Plain	Fluocortolone hexanoate 0.25%
POTENT	POTENT
Beclometasone dipropionate 0.025%	Beclometasone dipropionate 0.025%
Betamethasone valerate 0.1%	Betamethasone valerate 0.1%
Betacap	Betamethasone valerate 0.1%
Betesil	Betamethasone valerate 0.1%
Bettamousse	Contains 1.2 mg betamethasone valerate 0.1%, per gram
Betnovate	Betamethasone valerate 0.1%
Cutivate Ointment / Cream	Fluticasone propionate 0.005% / 0.05%
Diprosone	Betamethasone dipropionate 0.05%
Elocon	Mometasone furoate 0.1%
Hydrocortisone butyrate	Hydrocortisone butyrate
Locoid	Hydrocortisone butyrate 0.1%
Locoid Crelo	Hydrocortisone butyrate 0.1%
Metosyn	Fluocinonide 0.05%
Mometasone furoate 0.1%	Mometasone furoate 0.1%
Nerisone	Diflucortolone valerate 0.1%
Synalar	Fluocinolone acetonide 0.025%
VERY POTENT	VERY POTENT
Clarelux	Clobetasol propionate 0.05%
Dermovate	Clobetasol propionate 0.05%
Etrivex	Clobetasol propionate 0.05%
Nerisone Forte	Diflucortolone valerate 0.3%

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1. National Institute for Health and Care Excellence, Topical corticosteroids, <https://bnf.nice.org.uk/treatment-summary/topical-corticosteroids.html>, (accessed 24th November 2021).

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