

SPECIFIC PATIENT INFORMATION

This medicine has been prescribed for you by your doctor. They should have already informed you about the precautions to be taken with topical ketoprofen products (for use on the surface of the skin only); however, here is a reminder.

Potentially serious skin reactions including rare cases of severe forms of eczema, can occur if the areas of skin treated with this medicine are exposed to the sun (even cloudy) or to UV light from a sunbed or solarium. This occurs because of a process called photosensitisation. Other allergic skin reactions may also occur. These effects may remain localised or they may spread or become generalized.

Ketoprofen 2.5% Gel is a topical ketoprofen-containing product. It is available from different manufacturers under the brand names Oruvail, Powergel, Tiloket, or is simply called Ketoprofen Gel.

To minimise your risk of developing these skin conditions the following recommendations must be respected **before use, during use and for 2 weeks after discontinuing any brand** of Ketoprofen 2.5% Gel:

- Do not use Ketoprofen 2.5% Gel if you have a history of allergy to any brand of Ketoprofen Gel, or other compounds such as tiaprofenic acid, fenofibrate, UV blockers (sun blockers, particularly those containing octocrylene) or perfumes.
- Do not expose areas treated with Ketoprofen 2.5% Gel to sunlight (even hazy) or UV light from a sun-bed or solarium.
- When outdoors, protect areas treated with Ketoprofen 2.5% Gel with clothing, during treatment, and for 2 weeks after its discontinuation.
- Do not use Ketoprofen 2.5% Gel under an occlusive bandage.
- Wash your hands thoroughly after each application of Ketoprofen 2.5% Gel.
- Do not use Ketoprofen 2.5% Gel for longer than stated on your prescription.
- Stop using Ketoprofen 2.5% Gel immediately and tell your doctor, if you experience any skin reaction after application or after using products that contain octocrylene (one of the excipients of several cosmetic and hygiene products such as sun blockers, shampoo, after-shave, shower- and bath-gels, skin creams, lipsticks, anti-ageing creams, make-up removers, hair sprays etc).

For further information, please contact your doctor or your pharmacist.