

Congresses

Välkomna till jubileumsdagen i Jönköping den **5 mars 2008**, Ryhov. Inf: <http://www.pdf.nu>.

Nordisk Privatpraktiserande Dermatologimöte i Stockholm den **7 mars 2008**. Inf: <http://www.pdf.nu>.

Finnish Dermatological Society. Annual Meeting. Kalastajatorppa (Fiskarstorpet) Helsinki, on **March 7, 2008**.

Hudsymposium 2008. Handläggande, diagnos och behandling i primärvården. Kursdatum: **11–13 mars 2008** i Stockholm.

Karolinska Dermatology Symposium: Skin, Hair and Nails from Development to Disease den **11 april 2008**. Plats: Bonnier Conference Center. Inf: http://edu.ipuls.se/www/_public/pub_course.cfm?CourseId=4487&FromSearch=1.

11th Linköping Workshop in Dermatological Epidemiology on **April 11, 2008** in Linköping. Inf: <http://www.pdf.nu/opencaender.asp?id=551&cat=3&pos=10>.

First Congress of Global Dermatology on **April 23–26, 2008** in Genoa, Italy. Inf: info@allroundcongress.it.

Åsmøte NDS i Tromsø, **24–26 april, 2008**.

New York Spring Meeting on May 1–10, 2008. BASHH - ASTDA 3rd Joint Conference and co-sponsored by IUSTI North American branch Converging Approaches in STI/HIV Control and Reproductive Health. Inf: <http://www.bashh.org/springmeeting.asp>.

Temaafteften Øst: Nyt inden for dermatologien. **7 maj 2008 kl. 17.00-20.00**, Hotel Frederiksdal, Frederiksdalsvej 360, Lyngby.

The Fifth Joint Meeting of the European Society for Dermatological Reserch (ESDR), Japanese Society for Investigative Dermatology (JSID), Society for Investigative Dermatology (SID): The International Investigative Dermatology 2008 on **May 14–17, 2008** in Kyoto, Japan. Inf: iid2008@mbox.med.uoeh-u.ac.jp. <http://iid2008.org>.

Wyeth Academy for sygeplejersker 2008. **15–16 maj 2008**. Dansk Folkeferies kursuscenter, Oddevej 8, Middelfart. Inf: <https://wyethacademy.info/se/courses/>.

16th Meeting of Scandinavian Society for Genitourinary Medicine (SSGM) on **May 15–17, 2008** in Helsinki, Finland. Inf.: www.ssgm2008.fi.

9th Congress of the European Society for Pediatric Dermatology on **May 15–17, 2008** in Athens, Greece. Inf: Mrs. Penelope Mitroyianni, Tel: +30-2-107-257-693. Fax: +30-2-107-257-532. info@espd2008.com. www.espd2008.com.

Nätverksdagen Dermatologi-Reumatologi. Den **16 maj, 2008** i Stockholm, Nordic Sea Hotel. Inf: <https://wyethacademy.info/se/courses/>.

SSDV:s årsmöte i Malmö den **21 maj 2008**.

5th EADV Spring Symposium on **May 22–25, 2008** in Istanbul, Turkey. Inf: Prof Nilser Ilter, Ayazmaderesi Cad. Karadut Sok. No:7, TR-34394 Dikilitas-Istanbul, Turkey. Tel: +90-212 2586020. Fax: +90-212 2586078. info@eadvistanbul2008.com, nilter@eadvistanbul2008.com. www.eadv.org/istanbul2008.

XXXI Nordic Congress of Dermato-Venereology on **May 31–June 3, 2008** in Reykjavik, Iceland. Inf: Iceland Incentives Inc., Hamraborg 1–3, IS-200 Kopavogur, Iceland. Tel: +354-554 1400. Fax: +354-554 1472. derm2008@iii.is. www.dermisland.com.

XIIth COSMODERM – Joint Meeting of ESCAD and the Hellenic Society of Dermatology and Venereology on **June 5–7, 2008** in Athens, Greece. Inf: www.cosmoderm2008.gr.

International Meeting of Dermatology in Riga will be held on **June 20–21, 2008**. Inf: <http://www.badv.lv/>.

Temaafteften: Psoriasis Artrit med andre øjne. **Onsdag den 10 September 2008 kl. 17.00–20.00**. Roskilde Amtssygehus, Roskilde.

17th Congress of the EADV on **September 17–21, 2008** in Paris, France. Abstracts submission deadline: **February 15, 2008**, Early bird registration deadline: **May 31, 2008**. Inf: www.eadv2008.com.

Skind og sind. **Lørdag den 27 september 2008, kl. 10.00-15.00**. Hotel Hesselet, Christianslundsvvej 119, Nyborg.

8th Asian Dermatological Congress on **October 1–4, 2008** in Seoul, Korea. Inf: ADC 2008 Secretariat, MECI International Convention Services, Inc., Rm. 1906, 19th floor, Daerung Post tower #1, 212-8 Guro-dong, Guro-gu, Seoul 152-795, Korea. Tel: +82-2 2082 2300, Fax: +82-2 2082 2314. adc08@adc2008.org. <http://www.adc2008.org/>.

Riksstämman i Göteborg den **26 november 2008**.

67th Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Dermatology on **March 6–10, 2009** in San Francisco, USA. Inf: American

Academy of Dermatology Tel: +202-842-3555. Fax: +202-842-4355. www.aad.org.

6th EADV Spring Symposium on **April 23–26, 2009** in Bucharest, Romania.

10th International Congress of Dermatology on **May 20–24, 2009** in Prague, Czech Republic. Inf: Department of Dermatology, Charles University, Bulovka University Hospital, Budinova 2, 18081 Prague 8, Czech Republic. Tel: +420 266 082 359. Fax: +420 266 082 350 dermatology@fnb.cz, president@icd2009.com.

18th EADV Congress on **October 7–11, 2009** in Berlin, Germany.

68th Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Dermatology on **February 26–March 2, 2010** in Miami, USA. Inf: American Academy of Dermatology Tel: +202-842-3555. Fax: +202-842-4355. www.aad.org.

69th Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Dermatology on **February 4–8, 2011** in New Orleans, USA. Inf: American Academy of Dermatology Tel: +202-842-3555. Fax: +202-842-4355. www.aad.org.

Courses

Hudbarriären – från nanonivå till klinisk relevans. Kursdatum: **11 mars 2008** i Stockholm.

Introduktion i Kognitiv Samtalsmetodik för Dermatologer i två delar. **29 februari, del 1, 28 mars, del 2, båda tillfällen**

kl 11.30–17.00 i Göteborg, Elite Plaza Hotell. Fullständig utbildningsbeskrivning finns på www.ipuls.se.

Årets kurs i STI utom HIV med blivande dermatologer/venereologer den **15 april 2008** i Umeå.

Fördjupningskurs Dermatologi – Hur behandlar vi barnen? (**11–12 juni 2008**, Halmstad, Hotel Tylösand.

Hudsjukdomar och psyke. SK-kurs. Kursdatum: **8–11 september 2008** i Stockholm.

Kurs i Dermato-Venereologisk Epidemiologi. **3–5 september 2008**, Högfjällshotellet, Hemavan. Fullständig utbildningsbeskrivning finns på www.ipuls.se.

Fördjupningskurs Psoriasis. **6–7 november 2008**, start dag 1 ca kl 13.00, slut dag 2 ca kl 16.00, Stockholm, Högberga Gård. Fullständig utbildningsbeskrivning finns på www.ipuls.se.

Help us complement this list

If you know of any congresses, meetings, or courses that are not listed here and you want your colleagues to know about them, please send us an e-mail with information. We appreciate all help to make this list as complete as possible. Thank you for your co-operation.

Vacancies

In the future we plan to present a list of the vacancies available in dermatology within the Nordic countries. Please send information to us about this.

REFERENCES: 1. Reitamo S., et al. J Allergy Clin Immunol 2002;109: 539-546. 2. Reitamo S. Br. J. dermatol 2005;152:1282-89. 3. Summary of product characteristics Nov. 2006.

Protopic 0.03% and 0.1% ointment (tacrolimus)

Indications: Treatment of moderate to severe atopic dermatitis in adults who are not adequately responsive to or are intolerant of conventional therapies such as topical corticosteroids. Treatment of moderate to severe atopic dermatitis in children (2 years of age and above) who failed to respond adequately to conventional therapies such as topical corticosteroids.

Posology: Protopic should be initiated by physicians with experience in the diagnosis and treatment of atopic dermatitis. Protopic ointment should be applied as a thin layer to affected areas of the skin. Protopic may be used on any part of the body, including face, neck and flexure areas, except on mucous membranes. Each affected region of the skin should be treated with Protopic until clearance occurs. Generally, improvement is seen within one week. If no signs of improvement are seen after two weeks of treatment, further treatment options should be considered. Protopic can be used for short term and intermittent long term treatment. At the first signs of recurrence (flares) of the disease symptoms, treatment should be re-initiated. Protopic is not recommended for use in children below age of 2 years until further data are available. *Use in children (2 years of age and above):* Treatment should be started with Protopic 0.03% twice a day for up to three weeks. Afterwards the frequency of application should be reduced to once a day until clearance of the lesion. *Use in adults (16 years of age and above):* Treatment should be started with Protopic 0.1% twice a day and should be continued until clearance of the lesion. If symptoms recur, twice daily treatment with Protopic 0.1% should be restarted. An attempt should be made to reduce the frequency of application or to use the lower strength Protopic 0.03% ointment if the clinical condition allows.

Contraindications: Hypersensitivity to macrolides in general, to tacrolimus or to any of the excipients.

Warnings and precautions: Exposure of the skin to sunlight and solarium should be minimised should be avoided during use of Protopic ointment. Emollients should not be applied to the same area within 2 hours of applying Protopic ointment. Before commencing treatment with Protopic ointment, clinical infections at treatment sites should be cleared. Care should be taken to avoid contact with eyes and mucous membranes. Occlusive dressings are not recommended.

Interactions: Formal topical drug interaction studies with tacrolimus ointment have not been conducted. Tacrolimus is not metabolised in human skin, indicating that there is no potential for percutaneous interactions that could affect the metabolism of tacrolimus. A potential interaction between vaccination and application of Protopic ointment has not been investigated. Because of the potential risk of vaccination failure, vaccination should be administered prior to commencement of treatment, or during a treatment-free interval with a period of 14 days between the last application of Protopic and the vaccination. In case of live attenuated vaccination, this period should be extended to 28 days or the use of alternative vaccines should be considered.

Pregnancy and lactation: There are no adequate data from the use of tacrolimus ointment in pregnant women. Studies in animals have shown reproductive toxicity following systemic administration. The potential risk for humans is unknown. Protopic ointment should not be used during pregnancy unless clearly necessary. Human data demonstrate that, after systemic administration, tacrolimus is excreted into breast milk. Although clinical data have shown that systemic exposure from application of tacrolimus ointment is low, breast-feeding during treatment with Protopic ointment is not recommended.

Undesirable effects: Burning, pruritus, warmth, erythema, pain, irritation, paraesthesia and rash at the application site, herpes viral infections, folliculitis, pruritus, erythema, acne, paraesthesias, dysaesthesias, alcohol intolerance (facial flushing or skin irritation after consumption of an alcoholic beverage), rosacea.

Pharmacotherapeutic group: Other dermatologicals.

Package sizes and prices: 0.03%: 30g – 341,50 SEK, 60g: 609 SEK; 0.1%: 10g – 161,50 SEK, 30g – 374 SEK, 60g: 664 SEK.

Medicine within the benefit's system, available on prescription.

Marketing authorisation holder: Astellas Pharma GmbH, Neumarkter Straße 61, D-81673 Munich, Germany.

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