

Calcitriol 3 mcg/g ointment (Silkis[®])

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Galderma (UK) Ltd

Summary of Recommendation

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The Scottish Medicines Consortium (SMC) has completed its assessment of the above product and advises NHS Boards and ADTCs on its use in NHS Scotland. The recommendation is summarised as follows:

ADVICE

Recommended for general use within NHS Scotland

RECOMMENDATION

Limited data indicate comparable efficacy and similar or better tolerability of calcitriol compared to existing topical vitamin D analogues in the treatment of mild to moderate plaque psoriasis in adults.

As calcitriol ointment is a substitute for existing medicines that have similar or increased costs, it is assumed that the net budget impact to the NHS will be minimal.

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