

**lidocaine 70mg / tetracaine 70mg (Rapydan 70 mg / 70 mg  
medicated plaster) (No. 483/08)**

**EUSA Pharma (Europe) Limited**

**Statement of Advice**

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**ADVICE:** in the absence of a submission from the holder of the marketing authorisation.

**lidocaine 70mg / tetracaine 70mg (Rapydan 70mg / 70mg medicated plaster)** is not recommended for use within NHSScotland for surface anaesthesia of the skin in connection with needle puncture and in cases of superficial surgical procedures (such as excision of various skin lesions and punch biopsies) on normal skin in adults; or for surface anaesthesia of the skin in connection with needle puncture on normal intact skin in children from 3 years of age.

The holder of the marketing authorisation has not made a submission to SMC regarding this product in this indication. As a result we cannot recommend its use within NHSScotland.

**Advice context:**

*No part of this advice may be used without the whole of the advice being quoted in full.*

*This advice represents the view of the Scottish Medicines Consortium. It is provided to inform the considerations of Area Drug & Therapeutics Committees and NHS Boards in Scotland in determining medicines for local use or local formulary inclusion. This advice does not override the individual responsibility of health professionals to make decisions in the exercise of their clinical judgement in the circumstances of the individual patient, in consultation with the patient and/or guardian or carer.*

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