

NOTES ON NEW PREPARATIONS

BENOQUIN

Benoquin exerts a powerful inhibiting effect on pigmentation formation in the melanin producing cells of the skin. It is the first dependable agent for the topical treatment of hyperpigmentation due to melanin such as in severe freckling; lentiginos and the more diffuse types of hyperpigmentation such as chloasma.

BENOQUIN Ointment is 20% purified monobenzyl ether of hydroquinone in a special base,

Benoquin does not destroy the melanocyte or the melanin producing process; rather, it causes a reversible interruption of melanin formation.

Supply:—Benoquin Ointment 20 gms. tubes.

This is a product of Messrs. Paul B. Elder Company, Bryan, Ohio, U. S. A. and marketed in India by M/s. Mac Laboratories (P) Ltd., Bombay-1.

OXSORALEN

Oxsoralen, brand of methoxsalen, is 8-methoxypsoralen. Originally derived from the fruit of the plant Ammi majus Linn, Oxsoralen presents the active principle in purified, crystalline form, to exert its unique action upon pigment formation.

Oxsoralen—whether given orally or topically probably concentrates in the melanocytes and absorbs enough of the impending ultraviolet energy to spark melanin production. Apparently Oxsoralen sensitizes the melanocyte to radiant energy.

Oxsoralen is a powerful drug. It is the first product that really helps in idiopathic vitiligo.

Supply:—Oxsoralen capsules. Each capsule contains
8-methoxypsoralen, 10 mg.

Bottles of 20.

Oxsoralen Lotion, containing 1% of 8-methoxypsoralen.

Bottles of 30 ml.

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OBITUARY

We regret to announce the sad demise of Dr. K. K. Dadachanji, past President of Indian Association of Dermatologists and Venereologists, Western India Branch. A special General Body meeting of the members was held at K. E. M. Hospital, Skin Department, on Friday the 9th August 1963 to mourn his death. Dr. T. K. Mehta took the chair in the absence of the regular president. He eulogized the yeomen services rendered by late Dr. Dadachanji to the local association in its initial periods and further referred to his various medicopolitical and social activities. A condolence resolution from the Chair was passed, all members standing. The resolution was forwarded to the members of the bereaved family. May his soul rest in eternal peace.