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Subject: miconazole warnings

Dear Sir/Madam

I have seen several cases of an elevated INR in patients on Warfarin who are prescribed Miconazole oral gel. To me, this is an unacceptable combination. It would appear that a significant enough amount of the oral gel is swallowed and absorbed.

This is absolutely never the case with miconazole creams.

The Medsafe proposals to put warnings on OTC sold miconazole cream would be an error. It would be transposing the data interactions of an oral gel which has oral and/or GI absorption to a cream which has very little systemic absorption and nil reports of interaction

There needs to be a warning on the miconazole oral gel.

It is a simplistic mistake to put this warning on miconazole creams/ointments/tinctures Kind regards

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