Topical treatments for sebaceous carcinoma

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1. **Topical Mitomycin C**: This topical anti-cancer drug shows promise in treating sebaceous carcinoma. Studies suggest it shrinks the tumor with minimal damage to healthy cells. Further research is needed to validate its efficacy and safety {1-3].

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Topical treatments for adnexal carcinoma

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Topical treatment options for adnexal carcinoma are not typically recommended, as surgery is often needed. In cases where surgery is not an option, topical therapies may be used as adjuvant treatment or for improving quality of life.

- 1. **Imiquimod**: This is a cream that helps the body's immune system fight cancer cells. It is applied directly to the skin where the cancer is. While its effectiveness for adnexal carcinoma is not clear, it has been used for other types of skin cancer [1].
- 2. **5-Fluorouracil (5-FU)**: Another cream applied to the skin, it stops cancer cells from growing by interfering with their DNA. It is used for some skin cancers, but its role in treating adnexal carcinoma isn't well-documented [2].
- 3. **Photodynamic therapy (PDT)**: This treatment involves applying a special liquid to the skin and then shining a special light on it. It helps to kill cancer cells. While its effectiveness for adnexal carcinoma is not well-studied, it has been investigated for other skin cancers [3].
- 4. **Topical retinoids (e.g. tretinoin):** These agents have shown potential in the treatment of adnexal carcinoma by acting at the cellular level to help the immune system fight cancer cells [4,5].

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