- 11. Make up to volume with any remaining Double Strength Chloroform Water BP and freshly boiled and cooled purified water.
- 12. Stir and transfer to an amber flat medical bottle label and dispense.
- 5. A plain amber bottle with a child-resistant closure would be most suitable as the preparation is for internal use.

6.

- a. The product is unofficial, therefore the following title would be suitable: 'Maize oil 30% v/v emulsion'.
- Quantitative particulars are required as the product is unofficial. The quantitative particulars would be expressed per dose (i.e. per 15 ml): Each 15 ml contains:

Maize oil BP 4.5 ml
Acacia BP 1.125 g
Double Strength Chloroform Water BP 7.5 ml

Freshly boiled and cooled purified water

c. 'Shake the bottle' will need to be added to the label as the product is a emulsion and will need shaking before use to ensure an accurate dose is measured.

to 15 ml

- d. 'Take THREE 5 ml spoonfuls THREE times a day.'
- e. Not applicable.
- f. This product is an emulsion and would attract a 4-week discard date.

g.

Maize oil 30% v/v emulsion	100 ml
Take THREE 5ml spoonfuls THREE times a day.	
Do not take after (4 weeks)	
Shake the bottle	
Each 15 ml contains:	
Maize Oil BP	4.5 ml
Acacia BP	1.125 g
Double Strength Chloroform Water BP	7.5 ml
Freshly boiled and cooled purified water	to 15 ml
Miss Sophie Jones	Date of dispensing

7. The patient would be advised to take three 5 ml spoonfuls three times a day. In addition, the discard date and the need to shake the bottle before use would be highlighted to the patient.

## 16. Castor oil 30% v/v emulsion

- 1. Used as a powerful stimulant laxative (*British National Formulary* 51st edn, p 59).
- 2. This is an unofficial preparation, therefore the formula will need to be checked to ensure that it is safe and suitable for purpose. The dose for Castor Oil BP is 5–20 ml (*Martindale* 26th edn, p 1256). The dose requested on this prescription falls within this range and so the product is safe and suitable for use.
- 3. Prepare 50 ml of castor oil emulsion 30% v/v.