

5. Choice of container

If available, a powder shaker with a sifter top would be the container of choice. Alternatively, an ointment jar could be used.

6. Labelling considerations**a. Title**

The product is official, therefore the following title would be suitable: 'Zinc, Starch and Talc Dusting Powder BPC'.

b. Quantitative particulars

Quantitative particulars are not required as the product is official.

c. Product-specific cautions (or additional labelling requirements)

'For external use only' will need to be added to the label as the product is a dusting powder for external use.

'Store in a dry place' will need to be added to the label as the product is a dusting powder.

'Not to be applied to open wounds or raw weeping surfaces' will need to be added to the label as the product is a dusting powder.

d. Directions to patient – interpretation of Latin abbreviations where necessary

'Use as directed.'

e. Recommended *British National Formulary* cautions when suitable

Not applicable.

f. Discard date

The product is a dusting powder and so will attract a 3-month discard date.

g. Sample label (you can assume that the name and address of the pharmacy and the words 'Keep out of the reach of children' are pre-printed on the label):

Zinc, Starch and Talc Dusting Powder BPC	100 g
Use as directed.	
For external use only	
Store in a dry place	
Not to be applied to open wounds or raw weeping surfaces	
Do not use after (3 months)	
Mr James Davenport	Date of dispensing

7. Advice to patient

The patient would be advised to use the product as a dusting powder as directed. In addition, the discard date and the fact that the product is for external use only and should be stored in a dry place would be highlighted to the patient.