Correction to the use of Malathion 0.5% aqueous lotion in Scabies

The 2007 UK national guideline on the Management of Scabies Infestation recommends using either Permethrin 5% cream or Malathion 0.5% aqueous lotion, both of which should be “…washed off after 12 hours, usually overnight”. This is an error - the 12 hour advice only applies to Permethrin. Malathion should be left on for 24 hours.

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