

LOCALIN® STERILE OPHTHALMIC DROPS

Patient package insert in accordance with the Pharmacists' Regulations (Preparations) 1986.

The dispensing of this medicine requires a doctor's prescription.

Read this leaflet carefully in its entirety before using this medicine.

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Composition:

Active Ingredient: Benoxinate Hydrochloride (Oxybuprocaine HCI) 0.4%. **Non-active Ingredients:** Boric Acid, Chlorobutanol, Disodium Edetate, Purified Water.

Therapeutic group: Local anesthetic.

Therapeutic Activity: Local anesthesia of the eye. When the preparation should not be used:

This preparation should not be used if there is known sensitivity to any of its ingredients or to other medication from the same family of drugs.

Do not take this medicine without first consulting a doctor if you are pregnant or nursing, or if you suffer or have suffered from a heart complaint, vascular disorders or disfunction of the thyroid gland.

Warnings: If you know that you have sensitivity to any food or medicine, you must inform your physician before using the product.

The eye must be protected against dust, infection etc. during anesthesia (approx. one hour after the drops have been instilled). Also avoid rubbing the eyes during this period.

Drug Interaction: If you are taking another drug concomitantly or if you have just finished treatment with another medicine, inform the attending doctor in order to prevent hazards or lack of efficacy arising from drug interactions.

Side Effects: Apart from the desirable activity of this drug during use, side effects might appear, such as: visual disturbances, mild burning and unpleasant sensations in the eye.

Side effects that require special attention: In the rare eventuality of pain in the eye, stinging, redness and inflammation of the eye, discontinue treatment and consult your physician. If you experience side effects that are not listed in this leaflet or if you feel any change in your general health, consult your doctor immediately.

Dosage: Only according to your doctor's instructions. The stated dose should not be exceeded. This medication is not generally recommended for use on infants and children.

ATTENTION: Do not swallow! This medicine is intended for external use only.

Directions for use: Wash your hands thoroughly. Tilt back your head or lie down on a bed and with the aid of a finger pull the lower eyelid slightly away from the eye. Instill the medicine into the gap and then keep your eyes closed for 1-2 minutes. Try not to blink. If you think that the drops did not enter the eye, instill another drop. Any spillage should be wiped from the face with a tissue. In order to prevent contamination, keep the bottle well closed when not in use and avoid touching the dropper bottle top on any surfaces including the fingers and eyes. This medication should not be used longer than one month from the time of first opening the bottle.

Avoid Poisoning! This medicine and all other medicine, must be stored in a safe place and out of the reach of children and/or infants, to avoid poisoning. If you have taken an overdose, or if a child has accidently swallowed the medicine, proceed immediately to a hospital emergency room and bring the package of the medicine with you.

Do not induce vomiting unless explicitly instructed to do so by a doctor!

Do not take medicines in the dark! Check the label and dose **each time** you take your medicine. Wear your glasses if you need them.

This medicine has been prescribed for your condition, in other patient it may cause harm. Do not give this medicine to your relatives, neighbours or acquaintances.

Storage: Store up to 25°c. Close firmly to prevent penetration of air and humidity. Even if kept in the original container and stored as recommended, medicine may be kept for a limited period only. Please note the expiry date of the medicine! In case of doubt consult the pharmacist who dispensed the medicine to you. Do not store different medication in the same package.

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