



SULFACID[®]

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: Sulphacetamide Sodium 10%
Inactive Ingredients: Methyl Hydroxybenzoate, Povidone, Propyl Hydroxybenzoate, Purified Water, Sodium Thiosulfate.

Therapeutic Activity: For external infected conditions of the eyes caused by bacteria that are sensitive to sulphacetamide e.g. Trachoma, Conjunctivitis, etc.

When this preparation should not be used:

Do not use this preparation if you have a known sensitivity to one of its ingredients or to any other medication belonging to the sulphamide family of drugs. Do not use if the eye drops alter color or becomes cloudy.

Do not use this medication without first consulting your doctor if you are pregnant or nursing.

Warnings: If you are sensitive to a particular food or medicine, you should report this fact to your doctor before commencing treatment with this medicament.

Drug Interaction: If you are taking another drug concomitantly or if you have just finished treatment with another medicine, inform your attending doctor in order to prevent hazards or lack of efficacy arising from drug interactions. This is particularly relevant to ophthalmic drugs containing silver salts.

Side Effects: In addition to the desired effect of the medicine, adverse reactions may occur during the course of taking this medicine.

Side effects that require special attention: In the eventuality of hypersensitivity to the drops (redness, irritation, swelling or any other sign of irritation that did not exist previously), discontinue use and consult your doctor. In all instances that 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: According to the doctor's instructions only. The stated dose or the length of treatment should not be exceeded. This medication is not generally recommended for infants under 2 month of age. your attending doctor must be informed if you do not notice an improvement in your condition within a few days. This drug should be used at the allotted times as determined by your attending doctor. If you have forgotten to apply the drops at the allotted time, you should apply a dose immediately you remember, however on no account should two doses be applied at the same time!

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 drops into the gap and then keep your eyes closed for 1-2 minutes. Endeavor not to blink. In order to prevent contamination of the drops, avoid touching the dropper bottle top on any surfaces including the fingers or the eyes and keep the bottle well closed when not in use. Do not use this product for more than two weeks once the bottle has been opened.

How you can contribute to the success of the treatment:

Complete the course of treatment as instructed by the doctor. Even if there is an improvement in your condition, do not discontinue use of this medication without first consulting your doctor.

Avoid Poisoning! This medicine and all other medicine, must be stored in a safe place and out of reach of children and/or infants, to avoid poisoning. If you have taken an overdose, or if a child has accidentally 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! **This medicine has been prescribed for your ailment; in another patient it may cause harm.** Do not give this medicine to your relatives, neighbours or acquaintances.

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

Storage: Up to 25°C. Do not freeze. 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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