

- **SIDE-EFFECTS** Drowsiness · eye irritation · headache · hyperhidrosis · hypertension · mydriasis · nausea · palpitations · vascular disorders · vision blurred

SIDE-EFFECTS, FURTHER INFORMATION Absorption of antazoline and xylometazoline may result in systemic side-effects.

- **MEDICINAL FORMS** There can be variation in the licensing of different medicines containing the same drug.

Eye drops

EXCIPIENTS: May contain Benzalkonium chloride, disodium edetate

- ▶ **Otrivine Antistin** (Thea Pharmaceuticals Ltd)

Xylometazoline hydrochloride 500 microgram per 1 ml, Antazoline sulfate 5 mg per 1 ml Otrivine Antistin 0.5%/0.05% eye drops | 10 ml [P] £3.35 DT = £3.35

Azelastine hydrochloride

● INDICATIONS AND DOSE

Seasonal allergic conjunctivitis

- ▶ TO THE EYE

- ▶ Child 4–17 years: Apply twice daily, increased if necessary to 4 times a day

Perennial conjunctivitis

- ▶ TO THE EYE

- ▶ Child 12–17 years: Apply twice daily; increased if necessary to 4 times a day, maximum duration of treatment 6 weeks

- **INTERACTIONS** → Appendix 1: antihistamines, non-sedating

● SIDE-EFFECTS

- ▶ **Common or very common** Eye irritation · taste bitter (if applied incorrectly)

- **MEDICINAL FORMS** There can be variation in the licensing of different medicines containing the same drug.

Eye drops

EXCIPIENTS: May contain Benzalkonium chloride, disodium edetate

- ▶ **Optilast** (Meda Pharmaceuticals Ltd)

Azelastine hydrochloride 500 microgram per 1 ml Optilast 0.05% eye drops | 8 ml [PoM] £6.40 DT = £6.40

Epinastine hydrochloride

● INDICATIONS AND DOSE

Seasonal allergic conjunctivitis

- ▶ TO THE EYE

- ▶ Child 12–17 years: Apply twice daily for maximum 8 weeks

● SIDE-EFFECTS

- ▶ **Common or very common** Eye discomfort
- ▶ **Uncommon** Dry eye · eye disorders · headache · nasal irritation · rhinitis · taste altered · visual impairment

- **MEDICINAL FORMS** There can be variation in the licensing of different medicines containing the same drug.

Eye drops

EXCIPIENTS: May contain Benzalkonium chloride, disodium edetate

- ▶ **Relestat** (Allergan Ltd)

Epinastine hydrochloride 500 microgram per 1 ml Relestat 500micrograms/ml eye drops | 5 ml [PoM] £9.90 DT = £9.90

Ketotifen

● INDICATIONS AND DOSE

Seasonal allergic conjunctivitis

- ▶ TO THE EYE

- ▶ Child 3–17 years: Apply twice daily

- **INTERACTIONS** → Appendix 1: antihistamines, sedating

● SIDE-EFFECTS

- ▶ **Common or very common** Eye discomfort · eye disorders · eye inflammation
- ▶ **Uncommon** Conjunctival haemorrhage · drowsiness · dry eye · dry mouth · headache · skin reactions · vision disorders
- ▶ **Frequency not known** Asthma exacerbated · facial swelling · oedema

- **MEDICINAL FORMS** There can be variation in the licensing of different medicines containing the same drug.

Eye drops

EXCIPIENTS: May contain Benzalkonium chloride

- ▶ **Ketofall** (Scope Ophthalmics Ltd)

Ketotifen (as Ketotifen hydrogen fumarate) 250 microgram per 1 ml Ketofall 0.25mg/ml eye drops 0.4ml unit dose | 30 unit dose [PoM] £6.95 DT = £6.95

- ▶ **Zaditen** (Thea Pharmaceuticals Ltd)

Ketotifen (as Ketotifen fumarate) 250 microgram per 1 ml Zaditen 250micrograms/ml eye drops | 5 ml [PoM] £7.80 DT = £7.80

Olopatadine

● INDICATIONS AND DOSE

Seasonal allergic conjunctivitis

- ▶ TO THE EYE

- ▶ Child 3–17 years: Apply twice daily for maximum 4 months

● SIDE-EFFECTS

- ▶ **Common or very common** Asthenia · dry eye · eye discomfort · headache · nasal dryness · taste altered
- ▶ **Uncommon** Dizziness · eye disorders · eye inflammation · increased risk of infection · numbness · skin reactions · vision disorders
- ▶ **Frequency not known** Drowsiness · dyspnoea · malaise · nausea · vomiting

- **MEDICINAL FORMS** There can be variation in the licensing of different medicines containing the same drug.

Eye drops

EXCIPIENTS: May contain Benzalkonium chloride

- ▶ **Opatanol** (Novartis Pharmaceuticals UK Ltd)

Olopatadine (as Olopatadine hydrochloride) 1 mg per 1 ml Opatanol 1mg/ml eye drops | 5 ml [PoM] £4.68 DT = £4.68

MAST-CELL STABILISERS

Lodoxamide

● INDICATIONS AND DOSE

Allergic conjunctivitis

- ▶ TO THE EYE

- ▶ Child 4–17 years: Apply 4 times a day, improvement of symptoms may sometimes require treatment for up to 4 weeks

● SIDE-EFFECTS

- ▶ **Common or very common** Dry eye · eye discomfort · eye disorders · vision disorders
- ▶ **Uncommon** Corneal deposits · dizziness · eye inflammation · headache · nausea
- ▶ **Rare or very rare** Nasal complaints · rash · taste altered
- **EXCEPTIONS TO LEGAL CATEGORY** Lodoxamide 0.1% eye drops can be sold to the public for treatment of allergic conjunctivitis in adults and children over 4 years.