

**DEXAMETHASONE SODIUM PHOSPHATE
OPHTHALMIC SOLUTION USP 0.1% w/v**

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COMPOSITION :

Dexamethasone Sodium Phosphate USP
Eq. to Dexamethasone Phosphate 0.1% w/v
Benzalkonium Chloride Solution BP 0.02 % w/v
(As Preservative)
Purified Water BP Q.S.

THERAPEUTIC CLASS :

Corticosteroid

PHARMACOLOGICAL ACTION :

Dexamethasone is one of the most potent corticosteroids; it is 5 - 14 times more potent than prednisolone and 25 - 75 times more potent than cortisone and hydrocortisone. Of paramount importance with regard to local therapy is the fact that dexamethasone is over 2000 times more soluble than hydrocortisone or prednisolone.

INDICATIONS :

Vernal conjunctivitis, allergic blepharitis and conjunctivitis, non-specific keratitis, superficial punctate keratitis, disciform keratitis (provided the corneal surface is intact). Affection of the anterior uvea, such as acute or chronic iritis and iridocyclitis (with exception of tuberculous forms), scleritis and episcleritis, sympathetic ophthalmia.

CONTRAINDICATIONS :

Injuries and ulcerations of the cornea, in particular those of bacterial or viral origin (herpes simplex and herpes zoster), purulent infections of the conjunctiva and eyelids, tuberculosis, mycoses and glaucoma.

ADVERSE EFFECTS :

The local use of dexamethasone over a prolonged period may lead in some cases to secondary glaucoma and the development of complicated cataract. To be used, therefore, under strict medical supervision.

PRECAUTIONS :

Because of the possibility of inducing corneal abscess, fungal keratopathy or glaucoma, the patient should be referred to an ophthalmologist if the eye has not responded within 48 hours.

WARNINGS :

As the possibility of adverse effects on the corneal permeability and the danger of disruption of the corneal epithelium with prolonged or repeated usage of benzalkonium chloride preserved ophthalmological preparations cannot be excluded, regular ophthalmological examination is required.

Caution should be exercised in the use of benzalkonium chloride preserved topical medication over an extended period in patients with extensive ocular surface disease.

OVERDOSAGE :

If a rise of intraocular pressure occurs, the treatment has to be discontinued.

PRESENTATION :

Dropper Bottle.

STORAGE CONDITION :

Store below 30°C. Protect from light. Do not freeze.

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