

Package leaflet: Information for the patient

Nettacin 3 mg/ml eye drops, solution in single-dose container Netilmicin

Read all of this leaflet carefully before you start using this medicine because it contains important information for you.

- Keep this leaflet. You may need to read it again.
- If you have any further questions, ask your doctor or pharmacist.
- This medicine has been prescribed for you only. Do not pass it on to others. It may harm them, even if their signs of illness are the same as yours.
- If you get any side effects, talk to your doctor or pharmacist. This includes any possible side effects not listed in this leaflet. See section 4.

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1. What Nettacin is and what it is used for

Nettacin contains the active substance netilmicin, an antibiotic that kills bacteria.

It is indicated in adults for the topical treatment of external infections of the eye and its surrounding area, caused by netilmicin sensitive bacteria.

You must talk to a doctor if you do not feel better or if you feel worse.

2. What you need to know before you use Nettacin

Do not use Nettacin:

- if you are allergic to netilmicin any aminoglycoside antibiotic (gentamicin, tobramycin, kanamycin, etc.) or any of the other ingredients of this medicine (listed in section 6).

Warnings and precautions

Talk to your doctor or pharmacist before using Nettacin

If you use antibiotics for a long period of time, you may become more susceptible to eye infections.

Aminoglycoside antibiotics may cause serious hearing problems and kidney problems. If you are using other antibiotic treatment, including oral, with Nettacin, ask your doctor for advice.

Nettacin, is not injectable, therefore it must not be injected into the eye or introduced in the front (anterior chamber) of the eye.

In all the above cases or if you experience allergic reactions with this medicine, discontinue use and consult your doctor.

Children and adolescents

The safety and efficacy of Nettacin, in children or adolescents have not been established.

Other medicines and Nettacin:

Tell your doctor or pharmacist if you are taking, have recently taken or might take any other medicines

Nettacin can be used with other medicines for ophthalmic use, but it is important to follow the instructions in section 3.

Tell your doctor or pharmacist if you are taking:

- any other antibiotic, in particular polymyxin B, colistin, viomycin, streptomycin, vancomycin or cephaloridine. The simultaneous use of Nettacin, with other aminoglycoside antibiotics could increase the risk of kidney problems, hearing problems, or it may affect how well the other antibiotics work;
- cisplatin (used in anti-cancer therapy);
- diuretics (medicines that reduce water retention) as ethacrynic acid and furosemide.

Pregnancy and breast-feeding

If you are pregnant or breast-feeding, think you may be pregnant or are planning to have a baby, ask your doctor for advice before taking this medicine.

Pregnancy

This medicine should be used only if considered appropriate by your doctor.

Breast-feeding

Nettacin is not recommended for use during breast-feeding as this medicine is excreted into breast milk in small amounts.

Driving and using machines

You may experience temporary blurred vision after using Nettacin. Do not drive or operate machinery until your vision is clear again.

3. How to use Nettacin

Always use this medicine exactly as your doctor or pharmacist has told you. Check with your doctor or pharmacist if you are not sure.

The recommended dose is 1 or 2 drops into the affected eye 3 times daily, or as directed by your doctor.

If you wear contact lenses

Contact lens wear is not recommended during treatment of a superficial ocular infection. If you need to wear contact lenses, you can use Nettacin in single-dose containers because it does not contain preservatives.

Instructions for use

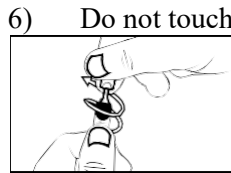
- 1) Wash/cleanse your hands thoroughly before putting in the eye drops.
- 2) Open the aluminium sachet containing the single-dose containers.
- 3) Make sure the single-dose container is intact.



- 4) Detach the single-dose container from the strip and put the unopened containers back into the sachet.



- 5) Open by turning the flap of the unit without pulling. 6) Do not touch the tip after opening the container.



- 7) Squeeze the single-dose container gently so that a single drop falls into the affected eye(s). Do not allow the tip of the single-dose container to touch the eye or eyelids, or any other surface, so to avoid possible contamination.



Keep the affected eye closed and press your fingertip against the inside corner of the closed eye and hold for 1 minute. This is important because it reduces the amount of drug that goes into the rest of your body.



If you use more Nettacin than you should

No cases of overdose have ever been reported with the use of Nettacin.

If you unintentionally instill more drops than you should, you are unlikely to have any problems.

Apply the next dose as usual.

If you forget to use Nettacin

Do not use a double dose to make up for a forgotten dose.

If you stop using Nettacin

If you have any further questions on the use of this medicine, ask your doctor, pharmacist or nurse.

If you use Nettacin with other eye medicines

If you are using any other eye medicine, you should wait 5 minutes between using each medicine.

Eye ointments should be used last.

4. Possible side effects

Like all medicines, this medicine can cause side effects, although not everybody gets them. Most people who are treated with these eye drops do not suffer from any side effects.

The following side effects have occurred with Nettacin. The frequency is not known (cannot be estimated from the available data):

- eye irritation
- redness of the eye
- eyelid rash
- swollen eyelid
- eye itchiness
- allergic reaction
- urticaria

Reporting of side effects

If you get any side effects, talk to your doctor or pharmacist. This includes any possible side effects not listed in this leaflet. You can also report side effects directly via the Yellow Card Scheme (Website: www.mhra.gov.uk/yellowcard or search for MHRA Yellow Card in the Google Play or Apple App Store). By reporting side effects you can help provide more information on the safety of this medicine.

5. How to store Nettacin

Keep this medicine out of the sight and reach of children.

Do not use this medicine after the expiry date, which is stated on the bottom of each unit, on the overwrap and on the carton after the letters "EXP". The expiry date refers to the last day of that month of the unopened and properly stored product.

Do not store above 25°C.

Keep the single-dose containers in the original aluminium sachet in order to protect from light.

The drops in the single-use containers are for single use only. After first opening of a single-dose container, use immediately and throw away the single-dose container after use.

Do not throw away any medicines via wastewater or household waste. Ask your pharmacist how to throw away medicines you no longer use. These measures will help protect the environment.

6. Contents of the pack and other information

What Nettacin contains

- The active substance is netilmicin. Each ml of solution contains 3 mg of netilmicin (as netilmicin sulphate).
- The other ingredients are sodium chloride, sodium hydroxide (for pH adjustment), purified water.

What Nettacin looks like and contents of the pack

Nettacin, is a clear and colourless or pale yellow solution contained in single-dose containers which in turn are wrapped in an aluminium sachet packaged inside a carton box.

Each carton box contains 15 or 20 single-dose containers.

Not all pack sizes may be marketed.

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The same information is also available at the following URL:
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