Tobramycin eye ointment 3 mg/g

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Tobramycin eye ointment contains an antibiotic from the group of aminoglycosides. It is effective against a large number of different types of bacteria. It is used to treat inflammations on the outside of the eye caused by bacteria that are sensitive to tobramycin in adults and children over 1 year old.

Dose and administration

Use Tobramycin eye ointment only in your eyes.

The dose for Adults and children over 1 year old is: Tobramycin eye ointment can be used in children over 1 year old in the same dosage as in adults. Apply at least 1 cm of the ointment and repeat every three to four hours. The duration of treatment depends on the cause of the inflammation and can vary from 5 to 15 days.

Elderly: The dosage does not need to be adjusted in elderly patients.

Newborns: The safety and efficacy of Tobramycin eye ointment in newborns have not been studied. Therefore, Tobramycin eye ointment should not be used in newborns.

If other topical ophthalmic medications are being used concurrently, there should be at least 5 minutes between successive administrations. Ointments should be administered last.

Tobramycin eye ointment is applied as follows:

- Take the tube of Tobramycin eye ointment and a mirror.
- Wash your hands.
- Unscrew the cap from the tube.
- Hold the tube between your thumb and fingers.
- Tilt your head back. Use a clean finger to pull down your eyelid until a "pocket" forms between the eyelid and your eye. The ointment will go into this pocket.
- Bring the tip of the tube close to your eye. Use the mirror if necessary.
- Do not touch your eye or eyelid, the area around your eye, or other surfaces with the tip of the tube. It could infect the ointment.
- Gently squeeze the tube so that 1 cm of Tobramycin eye ointment comes out. Do not squeeze the tube too hard.
- If you are using the ointment in both eyes, repeat these steps for the other eye.
- Immediately after use, screw the cap back tightly onto the tube.

The tip of the tube should not come into contact with the eye or eyelids!

What if you have used too much of this medication: If you get too much in your eyes, flush it out with running lukewarm water. But no side effects are expected. If Tobramycin eye ointment is swallowed, contact a doctor immediately.

What if you forget to use this medication: If you forget to use this medication, use it immediately. If it is almost time for your next dose, skip the missed dose and continue as usual. Do not take a double dose to make up for a missed one.

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Interactions and Possible Side Effects

Like any medication, this medication can also have side effects. Not everyone experiences them.

You may experience the following side effects in your eye: Effects on the eye

Common (affects less than 1 in 10 users): discomfort in the eye, red eye.

Uncommon (affects less than 1 in 100 users): inflammation of the eye surface, damage to the cornea (the transparent front layer of the eye), vision loss, red eyelids, swelling of the eye and eyelid, eye pain, blurred vision, dry eye, eye discharge, itching of the eye, increased tear production. **Very rare (affects less than 1 in 10,000 users):** development of eye infections or worsening of existing eye infections.

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Uncommon (affects less than 1 in 100 users): allergy (hypersensitivity), headache, skin rash with severe itching and bumps (hives), inflammation of the skin, reduced growth or reduced number of eyelashes, reduced pigment in the skin, itching and dry skin.

When should you not use this medication or use it with extra caution?

You should not use the medication if you are allergic to any of the substances in the medication or to antibiotics from the group of aminoglycosides, especially kanamycin, neomycin, and gentamicin.

If you are using Tobramycin eye ointment and experience allergic reactions ranging from local itching or redness of the skin to severe allergic reactions (anaphylactic reaction) or severe skin reactions, you should stop using Tobramycin eye ointment and consult your doctor. If you are using another antibiotic treatment in addition to Tobramycin eye ointment, consult your doctor.

If your symptoms worsen or suddenly return, you should consult your doctor. If you need to use Tobramycin eye ointment for a long time, you may become more susceptible to eye infections. If you have a certain type of muscle weakness (myasthenia gravis) or have had it in the past or if you have Parkinson's disease, you should consult your doctor because antibiotics from the group of aminoglycosides can worsen muscle weakness.

If you wear contact lenses, it is not recommended to use contact lenses during the treatment of an eye infection. During treatment with Tobramycin eye ointment, you should not wear contact lenses.

If you are using other medications in addition to Tobramycin eye ointment, tell your doctor or pharmacist. If you are using other eye medications at the same time, wait at least 5 minutes between each application. Use eye ointments last.

If you are pregnant, think you might be pregnant, planning to become pregnant, or breastfeeding, contact your doctor or pharmacist before using this medication. Tobramycin eye ointment can be used during pregnancy and breastfeeding, but always consult with your doctor.

After using Tobramycin eye ointment, you may have blurred vision for a while. Do not drive or operate machinery until this has subsided.

How to store

Store below 25°C. Do not store in the refrigerator.