

DEXTRACIN EYE/EAR DROPS

Dexamethasone Phosphate 0.1% w/v (as Dexamethasone Sodium Phosphate)/ Neomycin Sulphate 0.5% w/v

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What Dextracin is used for

It is used to treat bacterial infection and relieve inflammation in the eye and ear.

How Dextracin works

Dexamethasone Sodium Phosphate is a potent corticosteroid that has anti-inflammatory effect.

Neomycin Sulphate is the antibiotic which kills bacteria in human body.

Before you use Dextracin

- When you must not use it

Do not use *Dextracin* if you are:

- allergic to Dexamethasone Sodium Phosphate, Neomycin Sulphate or any other ingredients in this medicine.
- going to drive or operate any machinery. Do not drive or operate machinery unless vision is clear upon use.

- Before you start use it

Tell your doctor or pharmacist before using *Dextracin* if you:

- are pregnant or plan to pregnant.
- are breast-feeding or plan to start breast-feeding.
- have eye or ear injury
- using other eye or ear medicament
- wearing contact lenses.
- have any other infections caused by bacteria, virus or fungus.

- Taking other medicines

Tell your doctor if you are taking any other medicines, including any that you buy without a prescription from a pharmacy, supermarket or health food shop.

How to use Dextracin

- How much to use

- *Eye infection and inflammation:*

1 to 2 drops, every one to two hours

When favourable response is observed, reduce the dose as prescribed by doctor or pharmacist.

- *Ear infection and inflammation:*

3 to 4 drops, two to three times a day

When favourable response is observed, reduce the dose as prescribed by doctor or pharmacist.

Follow all directions given to you by your doctor and pharmacist carefully. They may differ from the information contained in this leaflet. If you do not understand the instructions on the label, ask your doctor or pharmacist for help.

- When to use it

Use as directed by your doctor or pharmacist.

- How long to use it

Continue taking *Dextracin* for as long as your doctor recommends. Ask your doctor or pharmacist before prolonged use of this medicine.

- If you forget to use it

Consult your doctor or pharmacist on what you should do if you forget to use it. Take the missed dose as soon as you remember. If it is almost time for your next dose, wait until then to take the medicine and skip the missed dose. Do not take a double dose to make up for the missed dose.

- If you use too much (overdose)

Contact your doctor immediately or go to the Emergency Department of your nearest hospital, if you think you or anyone else may have taken too much of this medicine. Do this even if there are no signs of discomfort or poisoning. You may need urgent medical attention.

While you are using it

- Things you must do

- Always wash your hand before handle the medicine.
- Remove contact lenses before using.
- Replace cap immediately after each use.
- Use the medicine at the same time each day.

- Things you must not do

- This product is for eye and/or ear application only. Do not swallow the solution.
- Do not insert contact lenses immediately after using this product. Insert back at least 20 minutes later.
- Do not touch tip of container on any surface to avoid contamination.
- Do not use this solution 4 weeks after first opening.
- Do not use if this solution becomes cloudy.
- Do not stop taking the medicine unless advised by your doctor.
- Do not take any new medicines without consulting your doctor.
- Do not give *Dextracin* to anyone else, even if they have the same symptoms or condition as you.

- Things to be careful of

Tell your doctor or pharmacist if you:

- are allergic to Dexamethasone Sodium Phosphate, Neomycin Sulphate or any other ingredients in this medicine.
- are pregnant or breast-feeding.
- experience changes in vision or hearing.
- feel discomfort after using or the condition worsens upon use.

Side Effects

- Increase pressure in the eye (glaucoma)
- Damage of eye nerve
- Vision defect
- Eye injury
- Ear injury

Like all medicines, *Dextracin* can cause side effects, although not everybody gets them. Visit your doctor or pharmacist immediately if you experience any side effects after taking this medicine.

You may report any side effects or adverse drug reactions directly to The National Centre for Adverse Drug Reaction Monitoring by calling Tel: 03-78835490, or visiting the website npra.moh.gov.my (Consumers → Reporting → Reporting Side Effects to Medicines (ConSERF) or Vaccines (AEFI)).

Storage and Disposal of Dextracin

- Storage

Store below 30°C. Protect from light.
Do not freeze the product.
Keep out of the reach of the children.
Do not use this medicine after expiry date.

- Disposal

Medicines should not be disposed of via wastewater or household waste. Ask your pharmacist how to dispose of medicines no longer required. These measures will help to protect the environment.

Product Description

- What it looks like

Yellowish colour, clear sterile buffered preserved aqueous ophthalmic solution.
Available in 5ml plastic dropper bottle.

- Ingredients

- Active ingredient(s)
Dexamethasone Sodium Phosphate and Neomycin Sulphate

- Inactive Ingredients

Phenylmercuric Nitrate, Disodium Hydrogen Phosphate, Sodium Hydroxide Solution 40%, Purified Water, Sodium Dihydrogen Phosphate, Sodium Metabisulphite.

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