Sulfacetamide

NOT RECOMMENDED AS AN ESSENTIAL MEDICINE

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ATC codes: S01AB04

Indication	Other specified conjunctivitis ICD11 code: 9A60.Y
INN	Sulfacetamide
Medicine type	Chemical agent
List type	Core
Formulations	**Local > Ophthalmological > Ointment:** 10% (sodium salt)
EML status history	First added in 1977 (TRS 615) Changed in 1979 (TRS 641) Removed in 1989 (TRS 796)
Sex	All
Age	Adolescents and adults
Therapeutic alternatives	The recommendation is for this specific medicine
Patent information	Patents have expired in most jurisdictions Read more about patents.
Wikipedia	Sulfacetamide
DrugBank	Sulfacetamide

Summary of evidence and Expert Committee recommendations

Gentamicin eye drops replaced sulfacetamide ointment and eye drops because gentamicin has better antimicrobial efficacy and is more widely used.

