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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

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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.