Please read this leaflet carefully before you start to use your eye drops. This leaflet provides a summary of the information available on the drops. If you have any questions or are not sure about anything ask your doctor or pharmacist.

**What you should know about your eye drops**

The name of your eye drops is Otrivine-Antistin Eye Drops.

These eye drops contain two active ingredients, xylometazoline hydrochloride (0.05% w/v) and antazoline sulphate (0.5% w/v). They also contain benzalkonium chloride, boric acid, disodium edetate, sodium tetraborate and water. Each bottle contains 10 ml of eye drops.

Otrivine-Antistin Eye Drops are a combination of a decongestant and an anti-allergic agent.

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**What your eye drops are for**

For the temporary relief of redness and itching of the eye caused by seasonal and perennial allergies such as hay fever and house dust allergy.

**Before you use your eye drops**

Do not use these eye drops if you wear contact lenses of any type or if you are allergic to any of the constituents of the drops.

Consult your doctor before you use the drops if:

- You are pregnant or breast-feeding
- You have been treated for eye disease or have had eye surgery before
- You suffer from dry eyes
- You suffer, or have suffered, from glaucoma
- You are taking, or in the last 14 days have taken, one of a group of antidepressant drugs called monoamineoxidase inhibitors.

Consult either your doctor or pharmacist before you use the drops if:

- You are currently receiving medication from your doctor
- You suffer from high blood pressure, a heart condition, a thyroid problem or diabetes

Do not drive or operate machinery if you experience blurred vision following use of this product.
How much to use
The usual dosage is:
Adults: One or two drops in each eye, two or three times each day.
Elderly and children over 5 years: One drop in each eye, two or three times each day. These drops are not recommended for use in children under 5 years of age.

How to use your eye drops
1. Wash your hands
2. Remove the cap and hold the bottle between your thumb and forefinger
3. Tilt your head backwards
4. Rest one hand on your cheek and gently pull down your lower eye lid
5. Look upward
6. Squeeze the bottle to release one or two drops into the eye
7. Close your eye for a short time
8. Repeat for the other eye

Note: Do not touch your eye or the surrounding area with the tip of the dropper.
Follow the instructions carefully. If there is anything you do not understand, ask your pharmacist. If you need to use more than one kind of eyedrop in your eye, wait 5 minutes between using Otrivine-Antistin and another eye-drop.

Side effects which may occur
Unwanted side effects such as a stinging sensation on insertion of the drop can occur in some people. Very occasionally other effects such as blurred vision, headache, drowsiness, enlargement of the pupil and increased redness of the eye have been reported. In certain sensitive individuals systemic effects may occur and can include irregular heart beat, headache, high blood pressure, nausea, paleness, sweating, insomnia and nervousness.

If you use Otrivine-Antistin for more than 7 days you may find that symptoms of itching, redness and/or swelling of the eyes or eyelids return. Using too much Otrivine and/or using it for too long or too frequently can cause other systemic adverse effects especially in children, where effects on the central nervous system have been reported including drowsiness, low blood pressure and coma. Otrivine Antistin should not be used for more than 7 consecutive days without talking to your doctor or pharmacist.

If you experience any pain, changes in vision, continued redness of the eye or if any unwanted effects worsen or last for more than 48 hours, consult your doctor to rule out the possibility of an infection in the eye(s).

If the product is accidentally swallowed consult a doctor.

Storage of the eye drops
Do not use the eye drops after the expiry date shown on the bottle (EXP).
Do not use the eye drops for longer than one month after opening the bottle.
Do not store above 25°C.
Keep all medicines safely away from children.
This leaflet applies only to Otrivine-Antistin Eye Drops and not to any other eye drops product.

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