

## **Package leaflet: Information for the user**

### **Brolene® 0.15% w/w Eye Ointment**

dibrompropamidine isethionate

**Read all of this leaflet carefully before you start taking this medicine because it contains important information for you.**

**Always use this medicine exactly as described in this leaflet or as your doctor or pharmacist have told you.**

- Keep this leaflet. You may need to read it again.
- As your pharmacist if you need more information or advice.
- If you get any side effects, talk to your doctor or pharmacist. This includes any possible side effects not listed in this leaflet. See section 4.
- You must talk to a doctor if you do not feel better or if you feel worse after 2 days.

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#### **1. What Brolene Eye Ointment is and what it is used for**

Brolene Eye Ointment contains a medicine called dibrompropamidine isethionate. This belongs to a group of medicines called disinfectants and antifungals. It works by stopping the growth of bacteria, allowing your body to fight off the infection. It is used for minor infections of the eye or eyelid. Signs include sore, red or inflamed eyes, stickiness or a crust on the eyelids.

#### **2. What you need to know before you use Brolene Eye Ointment**

##### **Do not use this medicine and tell your doctor or pharmacist if:**

- ✗ You are allergic (hypersensitive) to dibrompropamidine isethionate or any of the other ingredients of Brolene Eye Ointment (listed in Section 6 below).

Signs of an allergic reaction include: a rash, swallowing or breathing problems, swelling of your lips, face, throat, tongue and worsening of redness, itching or swelling of the eye or eyelid.

- ✗ You wear contact lenses. You should not wear contact lenses while using this ointment.

Do not use this medicine if this applies to you. If you are not sure, talk to your doctor or pharmacist before using Brolene Eye Ointment.

#### **Pregnancy and breast-feeding**

Talk to your doctor before using this medicine if you are pregnant, might become pregnant or think you may be pregnant.

If you are breast-feeding or planning to breast-feed, talk to your doctor or pharmacist before taking or using any medicine.

#### **Driving and using machines**

You may have blurred eyesight straight after using this medicine. If this happens, do not drive or use any tools or machines until you can see clearly.

#### **Important information about some of the ingredients of Brolene Eye Ointment**

Brolene Eye Ointment contains wool fat (lanolin). This may cause local skin reactions (e.g. contact dermatitis).

#### **3. How to use Brolene Eye Ointment**

Always use Brolene Eye Ointment exactly as your doctor or pharmacist has told you. You should check with your doctor or pharmacist if you are not sure.



### **How to use this medicine**

- Wash your hands
- Remove the cap from the tube
- Tilt your head back
- Squeeze 1cm of the ointment inside the lower lid without touching your eye with the tube.
- Close your eye
- Wipe away any excess ointment from the eyes with a clean tissue
- Always put the cap back on the tube as soon as you have used it

### **How much to use**

- Apply the ointment in the affected eye once or twice each day
- Use for at least 2 days
- If your symptoms worsen or do not improve after 2 days, talk to your doctor or pharmacist

### **If you forget to use Brolene Eye Ointment**

If you forget a dose, use your Ointment as soon as you remember. However, if it is nearly time for your next dose, skip the missed dose. Do not use a double dose to make up for a forgotten dose.

If you have any further questions on the use of this product, ask your doctor or pharmacist.

### **4. Possible side effects**

Like all medicines, Brolene Eye Ointment can cause side effects, although not everybody gets them.

#### **Stop using Brolene Eye Ointment and see a doctor:**

- You get any kind of skin problem, such as a rash or itching around your eyes or they become more red
- You get eye pain or irritation, such as a stinging or burning sensation in your eye. In such cases you should stop using the ointment immediately. If symptoms continue you should speak to your pharmacist or doctor.

### **Reporting of side effects**

If you get any side effects, talk to your doctor, pharmacist or nurse. This includes any possible side effects not listed in this leaflet. You can also report side effects directly via:

HPRA Pharmacovigilance

Website: [www.hpra.ie](http://www.hpra.ie)

By reporting side effects you can help provide more information on the safety of this medicine.

### **5. How to store Brolene Eye Ointment**

Keep this medicine out of the sight and reach of children.

Do not use Brolene Eye Ointment after the expiry date which is stated on the tube and carton. The expiry refers to the last day of that month. Store below 25°C.

Brolene Eye Ointment is sterile when you buy it, so you must not keep it for more than four weeks after first opening the tube.

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.

### **6. Contents of the pack and other information**

#### **What Brolene Eye Ointment contains**

The solution contains 0.15% w/w of the active substance, dibrompropamide isethionate.

The other ingredients are soft white paraffin, liquid paraffin, wool fat, phenylethanol and purified water.

#### **What Brolene Eye Ointment looks like and contents of the pack**

Brolene Eye Ointment is pale yellow, smooth and almost translucent. It is supplied in 5g aluminium collapsible tubes fitted with a screw capped nozzle and polythene cap.

### **Marketing Authorisation Holder and Manufacturer**

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This leaflet does not contain all the information about your medicine. If you have any questions or are not sure about anything, ask your doctor or pharmacist.

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