### Package Leaflet: Information for the user CARBOSOL<sup>®</sup> 0.5 % eye drops solution multidoses Carboxymethylcellulose sodium

Read all of this leaflet carefully before you start using 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.
- Ask your pharmacist if you need more information or advice.
- If you get any side effects, talk to your doctor, or pharmacist or nurse. 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.

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### 1. What CARBOSOL is and what is it used for

CARBOSOL<sup>®</sup> is a substitute for tears and contains the lubricant called carboxymethylcellulose sodium. It is used for the treatment of the symptoms of dry eyes (such as soreness, burning, irritation or dryness) caused by you producing not enough tears to keep the eyes wet.

## 2. What you need to know before you use CARBOSOL

#### Do not use CARBOSOL

- If you are hypersensitive (allergic) to carboxymethylcellulose sodium or any other ingredients of this medicine (listed in section 6).

#### Warning and precautions

Talk to your doctor or, pharmacist before using CARBOSOL.

If irritation, pain, redness or changes in vision occur or if you feel your condition is getting worse, stop taking this medicine and consult your doctor or pharmacist.

#### Other medicines and CARBOSOL

Please tell your doctor or pharmacist if you are using, have recently used or might use any other medicines, including medicines obtained without a prescription.

If you are using other eye drops, leave at least 15 minutes between putting in the other drops and CARBOSOL.

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

If you are pregnant or breast-feeding, think you may be pregnant or are planning to have a baby, ask your doctor or pharmacist for advice before using this medicine.

#### Driving and using machines

CARBOSOL may cause temporary blurring of vision. If you do experience temporary blurring, do not drive or use machinery until your sight is clear.

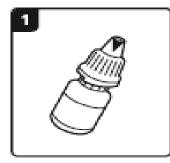
#### 3. How to use CARBOSOL

Always use this medicine exactly as described in this leaflet or as your doctor, pharmacist or nurse has told you. Check with your doctor or pharmacist if you are not sure.

The recommended dose is 1-2 drops of CARBOSOL in the affected eye(s), 4 times a day or as often as needed.

You do not need to remove your contact lenses before using CARBOSOL.

To avoid contamination or possible eye injury, do not let the open-end of the bottle touch your eye or anything else. Wash your hand before use.







With the spike: tighten the cap on the nozzle

The spike in the cap will pierce the tip of the bottle

Dispense drops with gentle pressure. Replace the cap after every use.

#### If you forget to use CARBOSOL

Use a single drop in each eye that needs treatment as soon as you remember, and then go back to your regular routine. Do not use a large number of drops to make up for forgetting to put drops in your eye(s) earlier.

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

#### 4. Possible side effects

Like all medicines, this medicine can cause side effects, although not everybody gets them.

#### Common side effects (occurring in between 1 and 10 patients in every 100) are:

Eye disorder:

Eye irritation (including burning and discomfort).

#### **Post-Marketing Data**

The following side effects have been reported since the drug has been marketed:

#### Side effects with not known frequency:

Allergic reactions (including eye or eyelid swelling), blurring of vision, increase in tear production (also known as tearing) sticky eye, crusting of the eye lid and/or drug residue, a feeling that something is in your eye, redness of eye/eyelid, eyesight worsening, eye injury to the surface of the eye due to the tip of the vail touching the eye during use.

#### **Reporting 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 your national reporting system. By reporting side effects, you can help provide information on the safety of this medicine.

#### 5. How to store CARBOSOL?

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

Protect from light. Store below 30 °C.

Do not use this medicine after the expiry date which is stated on container and the carton after EXP. The expiry date refers to the last day of that month. Use the solution within a month after opening the bottle.

Do not use if CARBOSOL packaging shows evidence of tampering. Do not use if solution changes colour or becomes cloudy. Do not throw away any medicines via wastewater or household waste. Ask your pharmacist how to throw away medicines you no longer use. These measures will help protect the environment.

# 6. Contents of the pack and other information What CARBOSOL contains?

- What CARBOSOL contains?
  - The active ingredient is carboxymethylcellulose sodium 0.5 %
  - The other ingredient are: sodium chloride, potassium chloride, calcium chloride dihydrate, magnesium chloride, stabilised oxychloro complex, boric acid, sodium hydroxide and water for injection.

#### What CARBOSOL looks like and contents of the pack?

CARBOSOL is a clear, colourless to pale yellow eye drops solution in a 10 mL bottle with a screw cap.

## **Marketing Authorisation Holder**

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