FULL PRODUCT INFORMATION
SOFRAMYCIN EYE/EAR PREPARATIONS

COMPOSITION:
Framycetin sulfate 5 mg per mL or g.

ACTION:
Framycetin is a bactericidal antibiotic. It is active against a wide variety of both Gram-positive and Gram-negative bacteria commonly found in superficial eye infections: Staphylococci (including strains resistant to other antibiotics), *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, coliforms and pneumococci. It is exceptionally well tolerated by the tissues of the eye. Preparations containing it are non-irritant.

INDICATIONS:
In the eye: Conjunctivitis, blepharitis, styes, corneal abrasions and burns. Prophylactically following removal of foreign bodies. Also indicated for corneal ulcers.
In the ear: Otitis externa.

CONTRAINDICATIONS:
Known hypersensitivity to framycetin; perforation of the tympanic membrane.

PRECAUTIONS:
In patients known to be allergic to streptomyces derived antibiotics (neomycin, paromomycin, kanamycin), cross-sensitisation to framycetin may occur, but not invariably so.

Use in Pregnancy - Category D.
Gentamicin and other aminoglycosides cross the placenta. There is evidence of selective uptake of gentamicin by the fetal kidney resulting in cellular damage (probably reversible) to immature nephrons. Eighth cranial nerve damage has also been reported following in-utero exposure to some of the aminoglycosides. Because of their chemical similarity, all aminoglycosides must be considered potentially nephrotoxic and ototoxic to the fetus. It should also be noted that therapeutic blood levels in the mother do not equate with safety for the fetus.

ADVERSE REACTIONS:
Local allergic reactions of the hypersensitivity type have rarely been reported.
DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION:

In the eye:  **Soframycin drops:** 2 drops every one or two hours initially, diminishing to 2 or 3 drops three times daily.
**Soframycin ointment:** Use three times daily, or at bedtime if drops have been used during the day.

In the ear: **Soframycin drops:** 2 or 3 drops may be instilled into the external auditory meatus thrice daily; or a wick may be saturated with drops.
**Soframycin ointment:** Apply three times daily.

PRESENTATION:

Eye/Ear Drops:  8mL
Eye/Ear Ointment:  5g

STORAGE:

Eye/Ear Drops:  Store below 25°C
Eye/Ear Ointment:  Store below 25°C

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