

**HIGHLIGHTS OF PRESCRIBING INFORMATION**

**These highlights do not include all the information needed to use VIGAMOX® solution safely and effectively. See full prescribing information for VIGAMOX®.**

**VIGAMOX® (moxifloxacin hydrochloride ophthalmic solution) 0.5% as base**  
**Sterile topical ophthalmic solution**  
**Initial U.S. Approval: 1999**

-----**INDICATIONS AND USAGE**-----

VIGAMOX® solution is a topical fluoroquinolone anti-infective indicated for the treatment of bacterial conjunctivitis caused by susceptible strains of the following organisms:

*Corynebacterium* species\*, *Micrococcus luteus*\*, *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Staphylococcus epidermidis*, *Staphylococcus haemolyticus*, *Staphylococcus hominis*, *Staphylococcus warneri*\*, *Streptococcus pneumoniae*, *Streptococcus viridans* group, *Acinetobacter lwoffii*\*, *Haemophilus influenzae*, *Haemophilus parainfluenzae*\*, *Chlamydia trachomatis*

\*Efficacy for this organism was studied in fewer than 10 infections. (1)

-----**DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION**-----

Instill one drop in the affected eye 3 times a day for 7 days. (2)

-----**DOSAGE FORMS AND STRENGTHS**-----

4 mL bottle filled with 3 mL sterile ophthalmic solution of moxifloxacin hydrochloride, 0.5% as base. (3)

-----**CONTRAINDICATIONS**-----

VIGAMOX® solution is contraindicated in patients with a history of hypersensitivity to moxifloxacin, to other quinolones, or to any of the components in this medication. (4)

-----**WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS**-----

- Topical ophthalmic use only. (5.1)
- Hypersensitivity and anaphylaxis have been reported with systemic use of moxifloxacin. (5.2)
- Prolonged use may result in overgrowth of non-susceptible organisms, including fungi. (5.3)
- Patients should not wear contact lenses if they have signs or symptoms of bacterial conjunctivitis. (5.4)

-----**ADVERSE REACTIONS**-----

The most frequently reported ocular adverse events were conjunctivitis, decreased visual acuity, dry eye, keratitis, ocular discomfort, ocular hyperemia, ocular pain, ocular pruritus, subconjunctival hemorrhage, and tearing. These events occurred in approximately 1-6% of patients. (6)

**To report SUSPECTED ADVERSE REACTIONS, contact Alcon Laboratories, Inc. at 1-800-757-9195 or FDA at 1-800-FDA-1088 or [www.fda.gov/medwatch](http://www.fda.gov/medwatch).**

**See 17 for PATIENT COUNSELING INFORMATION.**

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## FULL PRESCRIBING INFORMATION

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### 5 WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS

#### 5.1 Topical Ophthalmic Use Only

NOT FOR INJECTION. VIGAMOX® solution is for topical ophthalmic use only and should not be injected subconjunctivally or introduced directly into the anterior chamber of the eye.

#### 5.2 Hypersensitivity Reactions

In patients receiving systemically administered quinolones, including moxifloxacin, serious and occasionally fatal hypersensitivity (anaphylactic) reactions have been reported, some following the first dose. Some reactions were accompanied by cardiovascular collapse, loss of consciousness, angioedema (including laryngeal, pharyngeal or facial edema), airway obstruction, dyspnea, urticaria, and itching. If an allergic reaction to moxifloxacin occurs, discontinue use of the drug. Serious acute hypersensitivity reactions may require immediate emergency treatment. Oxygen and airway management should be administered as clinically indicated.

#### 5.3 Growth of Resistant Organisms with Prolonged Use

As with other anti-infectives, prolonged use may result in overgrowth of non-susceptible organisms, including fungi. If superinfection occurs, discontinue use and institute alternative therapy. Whenever clinical judgment dictates, the patient should be examined with the aid of magnification, such as slit-lamp biomicroscopy, and, where appropriate, fluorescein staining.

#### 5.4 Avoidance of Contact Lens Wear

Patients should be advised not to wear contact lenses if they have signs or symptoms of bacterial conjunctivitis.

### 6 ADVERSE REACTIONS

Because clinical trials are conducted under widely varying conditions, adverse reaction rates observed in the clinical trials of a drug cannot be directly compared to the rates in the clinical trials of another drug and may not reflect the rates observed in practice.

The most frequently reported ocular adverse events were conjunctivitis, decreased visual acuity, dry eye, keratitis, ocular discomfort, ocular hyperemia, ocular pain, ocular pruritus, subconjunctival hemorrhage, and tearing. These events occurred in approximately 1-6% of patients.

Nonocular adverse events reported at a rate of 1-4% were fever, increased cough, infection, otitis media, pharyngitis, rash, and rhinitis.

## 7 DRUG INTERACTIONS

Drug-drug interaction studies have not been conducted with VIGAMOX® solution. *In vitro* studies indicate that moxifloxacin does not inhibit CYP3A4, CYP2D6, CYP2C9, CYP2C19, or CYP1A2, indicating that moxifloxacin is unlikely to alter the pharmacokinetics of drugs metabolized by these cytochrome P450 isozymes.

## 8 USE IN SPECIFIC POPULATIONS

### 8.1 Pregnancy

Pregnancy Category C.

Teratogenic Effects: Moxifloxacin was not teratogenic when administered to pregnant rats during organogenesis at oral doses as high as 500 mg/kg/day (approximately 21,700 times the highest recommended total daily human ophthalmic dose); however, decreased fetal body weights and slightly delayed fetal skeletal development were observed. There was no evidence of teratogenicity when pregnant Cynomolgus monkeys were given oral doses as high as 100 mg/kg/day (approximately 4,300 times the highest recommended total daily human ophthalmic dose). An increased incidence of smaller fetuses was observed at 100 mg/kg/day.

Since there are no adequate and well-controlled studies in pregnant women, VIGAMOX® solution should be used during pregnancy only if the potential benefit justifies the potential risk to the fetus.

### 8.3 Nursing Mothers

Moxifloxacin has not been measured in human milk, although it can be presumed to be excreted in human milk. Caution should be exercised when VIGAMOX® solution is administered to a nursing mother.

### 8.4 Pediatric Use

The safety and effectiveness of VIGAMOX® solution in infants below 1 year of age have not been established.

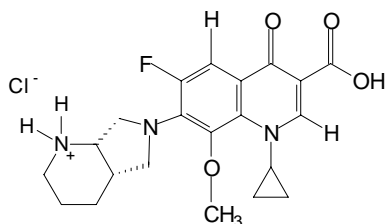
There is no evidence that the ophthalmic administration of VIGAMOX® solution has any effect on weight bearing joints, even though oral administration of some quinolones has been shown to cause arthropathy in immature animals.

### 8.5 Geriatric Use

No overall differences in safety and effectiveness have been observed between elderly and younger patients.

## 11 DESCRIPTION

VIGAMOX® (moxifloxacin hydrochloride ophthalmic solution) 0.5% is a sterile solution for topical ophthalmic use. Moxifloxacin hydrochloride is an 8-methoxy fluoroquinolone anti-infective, with a diazabicyclononyl ring at the C7 position.



$C_{21}H_{24}FN_3O_4 \cdot HCl$

Mol Wt 437.9

Chemical Name: 1-Cyclopropyl-6-fluoro-1,4-dihydro-8-methoxy-7-[(4a*S*,7a*S*)-octahydro-6*H*-pyrrolo[3,4-*b*]pyridin-6-yl]-4-oxo-3-quinolinecarboxylic acid, monohydrochloride. Moxifloxacin hydrochloride is a slightly

yellow to yellow crystalline powder. Each mL of VIGAMOX® solution contains 5.45 mg moxifloxacin hydrochloride, equivalent to 5 mg moxifloxacin base.

**Contains: Active:** Moxifloxacin 0.5% (5 mg/mL); **Inactives:** Boric acid, sodium chloride, and purified water. May also contain hydrochloric acid/sodium hydroxide to adjust pH to approximately 6.8.

VIGAMOX® solution is an isotonic solution with an osmolality of approximately 290 mOsm/kg.

## 12 CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY

### 12.1 Mechanism of Action

Moxifloxacin is a member of the fluoroquinolone class of anti-infective drugs (*See 12.4 Microbiology*).

### 12.3 Pharmacokinetics

Plasma concentrations of moxifloxacin were measured in healthy adult male and female subjects who received bilateral topical ocular doses of VIGAMOX® solution 3 times a day. The mean steady-state  $C_{max}$  (2.7 ng/mL) and estimated daily exposure AUC (45 ng•hr/mL) values were 1,600 and 1,000 times lower than the mean  $C_{max}$  and AUC reported after therapeutic 400 mg doses of moxifloxacin. The plasma half-life of moxifloxacin was estimated to be 13 hours.

### 12.4 Microbiology

The antibacterial action of moxifloxacin results from inhibition of the topoisomerase II (DNA gyrase) and topoisomerase IV. DNA gyrase is an essential enzyme that is involved in the replication, transcription and repair of bacterial DNA. Topoisomerase IV is an enzyme known to play a key role in the partitioning of the chromosomal DNA during bacterial cell division.

The mechanism of action for quinolones, including moxifloxacin, is different from that of macrolides, aminoglycosides, or tetracyclines. Therefore, moxifloxacin may be active against pathogens that are resistant to these antibiotics and these antibiotics may be active against pathogens that are resistant to moxifloxacin. There is no cross-resistance between moxifloxacin and the aforementioned classes of antibiotics. Cross resistance has been observed between systemic moxifloxacin and some other quinolones.

*In vitro* resistance to moxifloxacin develops via multiple-step mutations. Resistance to moxifloxacin occurs *in vitro* at a general frequency of between  $1.8 \times 10^{-9}$  to  $< 1 \times 10^{-11}$  for Gram-positive bacteria.

Moxifloxacin has been shown to be active against most strains of the following microorganisms, both *in vitro* and in clinical infections as described in the INDICATIONS AND USAGE section:

#### **Aerobic Gram-positive microorganisms:**

*Corynebacterium* species\*  
*Micrococcus luteus*\*  
*Staphylococcus aureus*  
*Staphylococcus epidermidis*  
*Staphylococcus haemolyticus*  
*Staphylococcus hominis*  
*Staphylococcus warneri*\*  
*Streptococcus pneumoniae*  
*Streptococcus viridans* group

#### **Aerobic Gram-negative microorganisms:**

*Acinetobacter lwoffii*\*  
*Haemophilus influenzae*  
*Haemophilus parainfluenzae*\*

#### **Other microorganisms:**

*Chlamydia trachomatis*

\*Efficacy for this organism was studied in fewer than 10 infections.

The following *in vitro* data are also available, **but their clinical significance in ophthalmic infections is unknown.** The safety and effectiveness of VIGAMOX® solution in treating ophthalmological infections due to these microorganisms have not been established in adequate and well-controlled trials.

The following organisms are considered susceptible when evaluated using systemic breakpoints. However, a correlation between the *in vitro* systemic breakpoint and ophthalmological efficacy has not been established. The list of organisms is provided as guidance only in assessing the potential treatment of conjunctival infections. Moxifloxacin exhibits *in vitro* minimal inhibitory concentrations (MICs) of 2 µg/ml or less (systemic susceptible breakpoint) against most (≥ 90%) strains of the following ocular pathogens.

**Aerobic Gram-positive microorganisms:**

*Listeria monocytogenes*  
*Staphylococcus saprophyticus*  
*Streptococcus agalactiae*  
*Streptococcus mitis*  
*Streptococcus pyogenes*  
*Streptococcus* Group C, G and F

**Aerobic Gram-negative microorganisms:**

*Acinetobacter baumannii*  
*Acinetobacter calcoaceticus*  
*Citrobacter freundii*  
*Citrobacter koseri*  
*Enterobacter aerogenes*  
*Enterobacter cloacae*  
*Escherichia coli*  
*Klebsiella oxytoca*  
*Klebsiella pneumoniae*  
*Moraxella catarrhalis*  
*Morganella morganii*  
*Neisseria gonorrhoeae*  
*Proteus mirabilis*  
*Proteus vulgaris*  
*Pseudomonas stutzeri*

**Anaerobic microorganisms:**

*Clostridium perfringens*  
*Fusobacterium* species  
*Prevotella* species  
*Propionibacterium acnes*

**Other microorganisms:**

*Chlamydia pneumoniae*  
*Legionella pneumophila*  
*Mycobacterium avium*  
*Mycobacterium marinum*  
*Mycoplasma pneumoniae*

## 13 NONCLINICAL TOXICOLOGY

### 13.1 Carcinogenesis, Mutagenesis, Impairment of Fertility

Long-term studies in animals to determine the carcinogenic potential of moxifloxacin have not been performed. However, in an accelerated study with initiators and promoters, moxifloxacin was not carcinogenic in rats following up to 38 weeks of oral dosing at 500 mg/kg/day (approximately 21,700 times the highest recommended total daily human ophthalmic dose for a 50 kg person, on a mg/kg basis).

Moxifloxacin was not mutagenic in four bacterial strains used in the Ames *Salmonella* reversion assay. As with other quinolones, the positive response observed with moxifloxacin in strain TA 102 using the same assay may be due to the inhibition of DNA gyrase. Moxifloxacin was not mutagenic in the CHO/HGPRT mammalian cell gene mutation assay. An equivocal result was obtained in the same assay when v79 cells were used. Moxifloxacin was clastogenic in the v79 chromosome aberration assay, but it did not induce unscheduled DNA synthesis in cultured rat hepatocytes. There was no evidence of genotoxicity *in vivo* in a micronucleus test or a dominant lethal test in mice.

Moxifloxacin had no effect on fertility in male and female rats at oral doses as high as 500 mg/kg/day, approximately 21,700 times the highest recommended total daily human ophthalmic dose. At 500 mg/kg orally there were slight effects on sperm morphology (head-tail separation) in male rats and on the estrous cycle in female rats.

#### **14 CLINICAL STUDIES**

In two randomized, double-masked, multicenter, controlled clinical trials in which patients were dosed 3 times a day for 4 days, VIGAMOX® solution produced clinical cures on day 5-6 in 66% to 69% of patients treated for bacterial conjunctivitis. Microbiological success rates for the eradication of baseline pathogens ranged from 84% to 94%. Please note that microbiologic eradication does not always correlate with clinical outcome in anti-infective trials.

#### **16 HOW SUPPLIED/STORAGE AND HANDLING**

VIGAMOX® solution is supplied as a sterile ophthalmic solution in Alcon's DROP-TAINER® dispensing system consisting of a natural low density polyethylene bottle and dispensing plug and tan polypropylene closure. Tamper evidence is provided with a shrink band around the closure and neck area of the package.

3 mL in a 4 mL bottle - NDC 0065-4013-03

Storage: Store at 2°C- 25°C (36°F - 77°F).

#### **17 PATIENT COUNSELING INFORMATION**

Patients should be advised not to touch the dropper tip to any surface to avoid contaminating the contents.

Patients should be advised not to wear contact lenses if they have signs and symptoms of bacterial conjunctivitis.

Systemically administered quinolones including moxifloxacin have been associated with hypersensitivity reactions, even following a single dose. Patients should be told to discontinue use immediately and contact their physician at the first sign of a rash or allergic reaction.

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