

<b>Medication:</b> Topical Anaesthetic Eye Drops	<b>PDN:</b> 6981.04	<b>Last Updated:</b> August 21 2025	<b>PMD:</b> Andrew Travers*	<b>PDC:</b> Chloe Koen Butt*	Page 1 of 1
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## TOPICAL ANAESTHETIC EYE DROPS

### 1.0 Classification

- Member of the xylocaine class of medications

### 2.0 Mechanism of Action

- Topical ophthalmic anesthetic

### 3.0 Indications

- To allow flushing of the eye or for ocular pain

### 4.0 Contraindications

- Known hypersensitivity to local anesthetics
- Possible penetrating injury

### 5.0 Precautions

- As tetracaine removes the patient's blink reflex, they may not be able to protect from other debris.

### 6.0 Route

- Administered directly onto the eye.

### 7.0 Dosage

#### Adult and Pediatric

- 2-3 drops in the affected eye(s)

### 8.0 Supplied

- Single dose polyamps

### 9.0 May Be Given By

- PCP/ACP/CCP

### 10.0 Adverse Effects

- Brief increase in eye irritation

### 11.0 Special Notes

- Pregnancy category C [if the patient will benefit from a Category C drug, it is generally used]

### 12.0 References

- EENT + Dental Emergencies Clinical Practice Guideline
- Toxicological Emergencies Clinical Practice Guideline

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