

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 ophthalmic solution), for topical ophthalmic use

Initial U.S. Approval: 1999

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

VIGAMOX 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-----

Ophthalmic solution containing moxifloxacin 0.5% (3)

-----CONTRAINDICATIONS-----

VIGAMOX 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 (5.1)
- **Hypersensitivity Reactions:** 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. If superinfection occurs, discontinue use and institute alternative therapy. (5.3)
- **Avoid Contact Lens Wear:** 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% to 6% of patients. (6)

To report SUSPECTED ADVERSE REACTIONS, contact Novartis Pharmaceuticals Corporation at 1-888-669-6682 or FDA at 1-800-FDA-1088 or www.fda.gov/medwatch.

See 17 for PATIENT COUNSELING INFORMATION.

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FULL PRESCRIBING INFORMATION

1 INDICATIONS AND USAGE

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Staphylococcus aureus

Staphylococcus epidermidis

Staphylococcus haemolyticus

Staphylococcus hominis

*Staphylococcus warneri**

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Haemophilus influenza

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4 CONTRAINDICATIONS

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5 WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS

5.1 Topical Ophthalmic Use

VIGAMOX is for topical ophthalmic use 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®. *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

Risk Summary

There are no adequate and well-controlled studies with VIGAMOX® in pregnant women to inform any drug-associated risks.

Oral administration of moxifloxacin to pregnant rats and monkeys and intravenously to pregnant rabbits during the period of organogenesis did not produce adverse maternal or fetal effects at clinically relevant doses. Oral administration of moxifloxacin to pregnant rats during late gestation through lactation did not produce adverse maternal, fetal or neonatal effects at clinically relevant doses [see Data].

Data

Animal Data

Embryofetal studies were conducted in pregnant rats administered with 20, 100 or 500 mg/kg/day moxifloxacin by oral gavage on Gestation Days 6 to 17, to target the period of organogenesis. Decreased fetal body weight and delayed skeletal development were observed at 500 mg/kg/day (277 times the human AUC at the recommended human ophthalmic dose). The No-Observed-Adverse-Effect-Level (NOAEL) for developmental toxicity was 100 mg/kg/day (30 times the human AUC at the recommended human ophthalmic dose).

Embryofetal studies were conducted in pregnant rabbits administered with 2, 6.5 or 20 mg/kg/day moxifloxacin by intravenous administration on Gestation Days 6 to 20, to target the period of organogenesis. Abortions, increased incidence of fetal malformations, delayed fetal skeletal ossification, and reduced placental and fetal body weights were observed at 20 mg/kg/day (1086 times the human AUC at the recommended human ophthalmic dose), a dose that produced maternal body weight loss and death. The NOAEL for developmental toxicity was 6.5 mg/kg/day (246 times the human AUC at the recommended human ophthalmic dose).

Pregnant cynomolgus monkeys were administered moxifloxacin at doses of 10, 30 or 100 mg/kg/day by intragastric intubation between Gestation Days 20 and 50, targeting the period of organogenesis. At the maternal toxic doses of ≥ 30 mg/kg/day, increased abortion, vomiting and diarrhea were observed. Smaller fetuses/reduced fetal body weights were observed at 100 mg/kg/day (2864 times the human AUC at the recommended human ophthalmic dose). The NOAEL for fetal toxicity was 10 mg/kg/day (174 times the human AUC at the recommended human ophthalmic dose).

In a pre and postnatal study, rats were administered moxifloxacin by oral gavage at doses of 20, 100 and 500 mg/kg/day from Gestation Day 6 until the end of lactation. Maternal death occurred during gestation at 500 mg/kg/day. Slight increases in the duration of pregnancy, reduced pup birth weight, and decreased prenatal and neonatal survival were

observed at 500 mg/kg/day (estimated 277 times the human AUC at the recommended human ophthalmic dose). The NOAEL for pre- and postnatal development was 100 mg/kg/day (estimated 30 times the human AUC at the recommended human ophthalmic dose).

8.2 Lactation

Risk Summary

There is no data regarding the presence of VIGAMOX® in human milk, the effects on the breastfed infants, or the effects on milk production/excretion to inform risk of VIGAMOX® to an infant during lactation.

A study in lactating rats has shown transfer of moxifloxacin into milk following oral administration.

Systemic levels of moxifloxacin following topical ocular administration are low [*see Clinical Pharmacology (12.3)*], and it is not known whether measurable levels of moxifloxacin would be present in maternal milk following topical ocular administration.

The developmental and health benefits of breastfeeding should be considered along with the mother's clinical need for VIGAMOX and any potential adverse effects on the breastfed child from VIGAMOX®.

8.4 Pediatric Use

The safety and effectiveness of VIGAMOX have been established in all ages. Use of VIGAMOX is supported by evidence from adequate and well controlled studies of VIGAMOX in adults, children, and neonates [*see Clinical Studies (14)*].

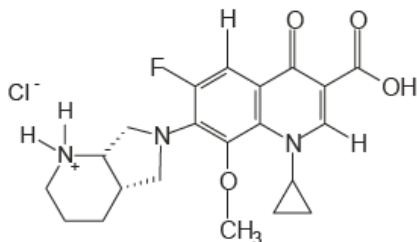
There is no evidence that the ophthalmic administration of VIGAMOX has any effect on weight bearing joints, even though oral administration of some quinolones has been shown to cause arthropathy in immature animals.

8.5 Geriatric Use

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

11 DESCRIPTION

VIGAMOX (moxifloxacin 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. The chemical name for moxifloxacin hydrochloride is 1-Cyclopropyl-6-fluoro-1,4-dihydro-8-methoxy-7-[(4aS,7aS)-octahydro-6H-pyrrolo[3,4b]pyridin-6-yl]-4-oxo-3-quinolinecarboxylic acid, monohydrochloride. The molecular formula for moxifloxacin hydrochloride is C₂₁H₂₄FN₃O₄•HCl and its molecular weight is 437.9 g/mol. The chemical structure is presented below:



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

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

12 CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY

12.1 Mechanism of Action

12.3 Pharmacokinetics

Plasma concentrations of moxifloxacin were measured in healthy adult male and female subjects who received bilateral topical ocular doses of VIGAMOX® 3 times a day. The mean steady-state C_{max} (2.7 ng/mL) and $AUC_{0-\infty}$ (41.9 ng•hr/mL) values were 1600 and 1100 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 1.8×10^{-9} to less than 1×10^{-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 influenza

*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 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 microgram/mL or less (systemic susceptible breakpoint) against most (greater than or equal to 90%) strains of the following ocular pathogens.

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