

# Locorten®-Vioform Ear Drops

(flumetasone pivalate/clioquinol)

## Patient Information Leaflet

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### 1) What Locorten-Vioform Ear Drops are and what they are used for

The name of your medicine is Locorten-Vioform Ear Drops. Locorten-Vioform Ear Drops contain the active ingredients Flumetasone pivalate and Clioquinol.

Locorten-Vioform Ear Drops are used to treat infection and inflammation of the external ear.

The drops contain an antibacterial and antifungal ingredient to combat infection and a steroid which acts to reduce inflammation.

### 2) What you need to know before you use Locorten-Vioform Ear Drops

#### **Do not use Locorten-Vioform Ear Drops:**

- if you are **allergic** to flumetasone pivalate, clioquinol or any of the other ingredients of this medicine (listed in section 6). Allergic reactions include mild symptoms such as itching and/or rash. More severe symptoms include swelling of the face, lips, tongue and/or throat with difficulty in swallowing or breathing;
- if you have a perforated or burst ear drum;
- if you have an infection of the outer ear.

**Locorten-Vioform Ear Drops should not be used on children under 2 years.**

**If any of the above apply to you or if you are not sure, tell your doctor or pharmacist before using the ear drops.**

### **Warnings and precautions**

Talk to your doctor, pharmacist or nurse before using Locorten-Vioform Ear Drops.

Tell the doctor you are using Locorten-Vioform Ear Drops if you have any thyroid or urine tests. This is because Locorten-Vioform Ear Drops may affect the results.

Long term-continuous use should be avoided because it can lead to hormonal suppression (the maximum duration of therapy recommended is 7-10 days).

Some medicines may increase the effects of Locorten-Vioform Ear Drops and your doctor may wish to monitor you carefully if you are taking these medicines (including some medicines for HIV: ritonavir, cobicistat).

Contact your doctor if you experience blurred vision or other visual disturbances.

### **Other medicines and Locorten-Vioform Ear Drops**

Tell your doctor or pharmacist if you are taking, have recently taken or might take any other medicines including those you have obtained without a prescription.

### **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.

You **should not** use Locorten-Vioform Ear Drops if you are pregnant, planning to become pregnant or if you are breast-feeding unless your doctor feels it is necessary.

### **3) How to use Locorten-Vioform Ear Drops**

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

The recommended dose is 2 or 3 drops twice a day, for up to 7-10 days.

Your specific dosage will be given on the carton label.

### **Use in children and adolescents**

Locorten-Vioform Ear Drops should not be used in children under the age of two.

### Method of administration

Sit or lie down with the affected ear uppermost. Place the nozzle of the bottle near the ear opening and squeeze the middle of the bottle with your fingers. (You may find it easier to ask someone else to do this for you.) Remain with your head tilted for a few minutes; it may be helpful to place a piece of cotton wool loosely in the ear opening for a short period to stop any drops running out.

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If the ear drops are accidentally **swallowed**, contact your doctor or go to your nearest hospital emergency department **immediately**.

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#### 4) Possible side effects

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- itching or skin rashes
- swelling of the face, lips or throat
- difficulty in breathing or wheeziness.

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#### What Locorten-Vioform Ear Drops contain:

The active ingredients are flumetasone pivalate 0.02% w/v and clioquinol 1% w/v.

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#### What Locorten-Vioform Ear Drops look like and contents of the pack

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#### Who makes and repackages your medicine?

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