A patient guide to OZURDEX® therapy
(dexamethasone intravitreal implant 0.7 mg)

How should I prepare for my treatment?

Before your treatment, your doctor will give you antibiotic eye drops. You should use these for 3 days prior to your treatment. You should continue to use the eye drops for 3 days following your treatment.

What will my treatment involve?

To prepare you for your treatment, the doctor will;

- Clean your eye to minimise infection and may administer further antibiotic eye drops
- Cover your face with a special drape
- Numb your eye with anaesthetic so you feel no pain
- Use a device to gently hold your eye open

The doctor will then use a specially designed applicator to inject the medicine into your eye, through the white part of your eye. You may hear a clicking sound during this procedure as well as feeling a bit of pressure on the eye.

Your doctor will then perform routine eye examinations to confirm that the medicine has been successfully administrated.

What will happen after my treatment?

As with all medicines, OZURDEX® can cause side effects, but not everybody gets them. A detailed list of possible side effects can be found in the patient leaflet that comes with OZURDEX®. Please ask your doctor or nurse for this leaflet.

After the injection, your vision may be blurred for about a day. You may also see some floaters or spots, which is normal and should go away over time. If these symptoms do not go away, or worsen, please contact your doctor.

If you normally drive or use machinery, you should not resume these activities until all blurring of your vision has stopped.

You should contact your doctor immediately if you experience at any time any of the following;

- Worsening of vision after the injection
- Blurred vision which lasts more than a day after the injection
- Pain or discomfort in or around the eye
- Redness in the eye which continues to get worse
- An increase in floaters or spots in the vision
- Discharge from the eye

Reporting of side effects

If you get any side effects, talk to your doctor, pharmacist or nurse. This includes any possible side effects not listed in the package leaflet.

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Side effects or medication errors can be reported to: ADR Reporting, The Medicines Authority, Post-Licensing Directorate, Sir Temi Zammit Buildings, Malta Life Sciences Park, San Gwann SGN 3000, Malta.
Website: www.medicinesauthority.gov.mt
E-mail: postlicensing.medicinesauthority@gov.mt

ADR Reporting
www.medicinesauthority.gov.mt/reportingadversereactions

Alternatively, they may be reported to Vivian Corporation Ltd, 3, The Hub, Troubridge Street, Marsa MRS1113 or by calling +35622588600.

This is the emergency telephone number you should call if you experience any severe side-effects or reactions.

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