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Introduction:

Low-dose Atropine (such as Myopine, 0.01 % Atropine SDU or 0.05% Atropine SDU) is an established, evidence-based method for controlling myopia progression in children. There is a strong clinical evidence for its safety and effectiveness in children.

簡介:

低劑量阿托品(如Myopine, 0.01%阿托品SDU或 0.05%阿托品SDU)有臨床證據可以控制兒童近視發展。1 低劑量阿托品的安全性和有效性有臨床證據。2

Advantages:

- Compared to traditional dosages of Atropine (0.1%, 0.5% and 1%), low-dose Atropine (0.01% and 0.05%) is much less likely to affect pupil size and lens accommodation amplitude.
- Most children on low-dose Atropine treatment do not need to wear spectacles with progressive additional lenses or photochromic lenses.

好處:

- 與傳統劑量的阿托品(0.1%、0.5%和1%)相比, 低劑量阿托品(0.01%和0.05%)甚少使看近的東西 模糊。
- 無需配戴漸進式眼鏡進行閱讀。它甚少引起懼光,因為其對瞳孔的影響很少。

Care & Advice:

- Please follow instructions from healthcare staff or dispensers on eye drop administration techniques.
- It is not advised to stop atropine treatment without prior consultation with your ophthalmologist, in view of the risk of rebound effect on sudden cessation.³
- Myopine (0.01% Atropine) eyedrops contain the preservative Benzalkonium Chloride. While it has been proven to be safe for use in children, very rarely it may cause eye irritation and/or a local allergic reaction.
- If your child develops redness or itchiness of his/her eyes during use, please contact our healthcare staff or your ophthalmologist immediately.
- Normal treatment dosage: one drop per eye in the evening before bedtime or at night, to lower potential impact to vision.
- Preservative-free eye drops are stored in single-use vials and the vials shall be discarded after **single-use**, and shall not be used repeatedly.
- The aim of low-dose atropine treatment is to slow down the rate of myopia progression, and is not effective in reversing myopia, so patients on atropine treatment will still need to wear spectacles for refractive correction.

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護理及建議:

- 請遵循醫護人員或派藥員指示使用眼藥水。
- 在未事先諮詢眼科醫生的情況下,不建議自行停用 阿托品治療以免有反彈的風險。³
- Myopine (0.01%阿托品)含有防腐劑苯扎氯銨。
 此成分已獲證實可以安全用於兒童,而且極少刺激到眼睛及/或引起局部敏感反應。
- 如兒童使用眼藥水後眼睛出現紅腫或痕癢,請立即聯絡醫護人員或主診醫生。
- •正常用量:每次使用**一滴**就足夠了,建議於**晚上睡前或晚間使用,以減低有可能對視力造成的影響。**
- 不含防腐劑的眼藥水,開蓋後只能用一次,並請於使用後棄掉,不能重複使用。
- 使用低劑量阿托品主要目的為減慢近視加深,並不會 有效矯正近視,所以病人仍需要配戴近視眼鏡。

