

# Drug Information Sheet("Kusuri-no-Shiori")

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The information on this sheet is based on approvals granted by the Japanese regulatory authority. Approval details may vary by country. Medicines have adverse reactions (risks) as well as efficacies (benefits). It is important to minimize adverse reactions and maximize efficacy. To obtain a better therapeutic response, patients should understand their medication and cooperate with the treatment.

**Brand name:** Sanpilo ophthalmic solution 3%

**Active ingredient:** Pilocarpine hydrochloride

**Dosage form:** limpid and colorless, ophthalmic solution, 5mL (bottle) clear and colorless (cap) strong violet

**Imprint or print on wrapping:**



## Effects of this medicine

This medicine acts on the muscle of parasympathetic innervation and contracts it in order to promote aqueous humor outflow to lower pressure in the eye, or in order to contract the pupil.

It is usually used to treat glaucoma, or to contract the pupil after the ophthalmic examination.

**The following patients may need to be careful when using this medicine. Be sure to tell your doctor and pharmacist.**

- If you have previously experienced any allergic reactions (itch, rash, etc.) to any medicines or foods.  
If you have: iritis, bronchial asthma, or risk of retinal detachment.  
If you wear contact lenses.
- If you are pregnant or breastfeeding.
- If you are taking any other medicinal products. (Some medicines may interact to enhance or diminish medicinal effects. Beware of over-the-counter medicines and dietary supplements as well as other prescription medicines.)

## Dosing schedule (How to take this medicine)

- Your dosing schedule prescribed by your doctor is(( to be written by a healthcare professional))
- In general, apply 1 to 2 drops of 0.5 to 4% preparation at a time, 3 to 5 times a day. This medicine is 3% preparation. Strictly follow the instructions.
- Before applying, wash your hands thoroughly with soap and running water. Pull down your lower eyelid lightly and apply the medicine. Be careful such that the dropper tip does not touch your eyelid, eyelashes, or eye. After applying, keep your eyes closed without blinking for a while (1 to 5 minutes), and press gently your lacrimal sac part (the area on the nasal side of the inner corner of the eye) with your fingertip. Wipe off any excess liquid gently with clean gauze or a tissue. If you need to apply other eye drops at the same time, wait more than 5 minutes.
- If you miss a dose, apply the missed dose as soon as possible. If it is almost time for the next dose, skip the missed dose and continue your regular dosing schedule. You should not apply two doses at one time.
- If you accidentally apply more than your prescribed dose, consult with your doctor or pharmacist.
- Do not stop applying this medicine unless your doctor instructs you to do so.

## Precautions while taking this medicine

- This medicine may cause darkening of vision, focus disorder in the dark, or blurred vision after applying. Do not operate dangerous machinery such as drive a car until these symptoms recover.

## Possible adverse reactions to this medicine

The commonly reported adverse reactions include blepharitis (erosion of eyelids), cataract (focus disorder), itchy/stinging eyes, eye pain, blurred vision, darkening of vision, diarrhea, nausea/vomiting, headache, sweating, and salivation. If any of these symptoms occur, consult with your doctor or pharmacist.

**The symptoms described below are rarely seen as initial symptoms of the adverse reactions indicated in brackets. If any of these symptoms occur, stop taking this medicine and see your doctor immediately.**

- foreign body sensation in eyes, eye pain, bloodshot eyes [ocular pemphigoid]

**The above symptoms do not describe all the adverse reactions to this medicine. Consult with your doctor or pharmacist if you notice any symptoms of concern other than those listed above.**

## Storage conditions and other information

- Keep out of reach of children. Store away from direct sunlight and heat.
- Discard the remainder. Do not store them. Ask your pharmacy or medical institution how to discard.

**For healthcare professional use only** / /

For further information, talk to your doctor or pharmacist.