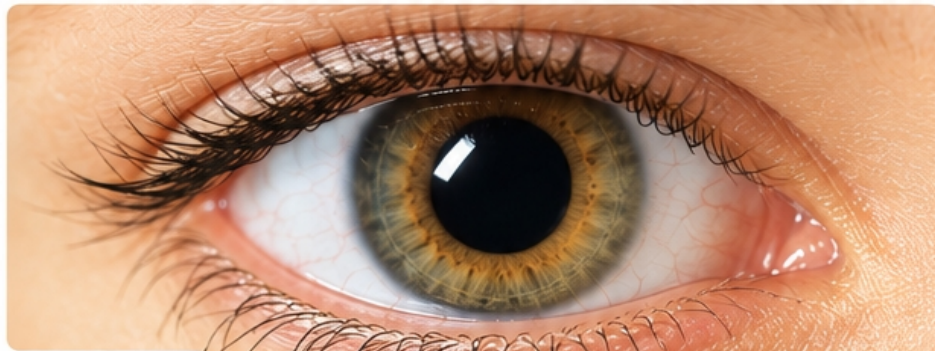


Dilating Eye Drops

Information following your consultation



Why were the drops used?

We have used Tropicamide 0.5 % / 1.0 % Eye Drops during your consultation today. These cause the pupil of the eye to dilate larger than normal and hence allow a clearer and more detailed view of the back of the eye.



How long do they take to work and last?

The drops take 15 – 30 minutes to take effect and usually 3-6 hours to wear off. However, they can last longer than this. During this period the pupil of the eye will not react to light as normal and so you may experience increased sensitivity to light and your vision may be blurry especially for near objects.



What to expect

It is generally recommended that driving and tasks that need detailed vision are avoided until the effects have worn off.



When to seek advice

In the unlikely event that you experience any unusual symptoms such as a red painful eye please contact us or seek medical advice.



Please take this leaflet with you.



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