

# 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:** Carteolol Hydrochloride LA Ophthalmic Solution 2%  
"WAKAMOTO"

**Active ingredient:** Carteolol hydrochloride

**Dosage form:** limpid and colorless ophthalmic solution, 2.5mL, (cap) tea green

**Imprint or print on wrapping:**



## Effects of this medicine

This medicine decreases eye pressure by blocking beta-receptors, which is one of the sympathetic nerve receptors, and reducing production of fluid in the eyes (aqueous humor).

It is usually used to treat glaucoma or ocular hypertension.

## 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 symptoms/history of bronchial asthma or bronchospasm, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, unsatisfactorily controlled heart failure, bradycardia, atrioventricular block, cardiogenic shock, unsatisfactorily controlled diabetes mellitus, diabetic ketoacidosis or metabolic acidosis.
- 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 drop of a 1% preparation at a time, once a day. If its effect is insufficient, use a 2% preparation and apply 1 drop at a time, once a day.
- This medicine is a 2% preparation. Strictly follow the instructions.
- Make sure not to let the tip of the container touch any part of your eye.
- After applying, keep your eyes closed without blinking for a while (1 to 5 minutes).
- If this medicine gets on your eyelid, wipe it off immediately.
- If you use this medicine concomitantly with other eye drops, wait more than 10 minutes after applying the other eye drops, and make sure to apply this medicine last. If for some reason you apply this medicine first, wait enough time before you apply the other eye drops.
- If you miss a dose, apply 1 drop as soon as possible in case of the same day. If you notice on the next day, skip the missed dose and continue your regular dosing schedule. You should not apply twice a day or 2 drops 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

### Possible adverse reactions to this medicine

The most commonly reported adverse reactions include ocular symptoms such as irritant reactions (smarting, eye pain, burning, eye itching, dry eyes, etc.), vision blurred (foggy vision), foreign body sensation in eyes, eye discharge, conjunctivitis, blepharitis, swollen eyelid, photophobia, corneal disorder (keratitis, diffuse opacity, corneal erosion, etc.), visual anomaly, and redness of eyelid; and systemic symptoms such as bradycardia, dyspnea, headache, discomfort, malaise, dizziness, nausea, taste abnormality (including bitter taste), dermatitis, and rash. 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.**

- shortness of breath, whistling breath [asthmatic attack]
- slow pulse followed by fainting [syncope]
- slow pulse, shortness of breath, dizziness, general malaise, chest pain [bradyarrhythmia such as atrioventricular block, sick sinus syndrome and sinus arrest, congestive heart failure, coronary spastic angina pectoris]
- sensation of foreign body in the eyes, eye pain, conjunctival hyperemia [ocular pemphigoid]
- loss of consciousness, dizziness on standing up [cerebral ischemia, cerebrovascular disorder]
- fever, facial erythema, photosensitivity [systemic lupus erythematosus]

**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**

- The amount of contents seems to be insufficient because 2.5mL of solution is packed in a 5mL plastic bottle.
- Keep out of the reach of children. Store away from direct sunlight, heat and moisture.
- Discard the remainder. Do not store them. If you do not know how to discard of it, please ask your pharmacy or medical institution on how to discard them. Do not give it to others.

**For healthcare professional use only**      /      /

For further information, talk to your doctor or pharmacist.