# YOUR GUIDE TO TREATMENT WITH Pr VYZULTA®



Latanoprostene bunod ophthalmic solution, 0.024% w/v



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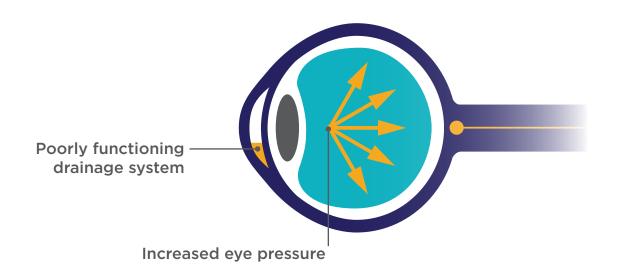
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The most common form of glaucoma is primary open-angle glaucoma (POAG). POAG is commonly caused by increased eye pressure due to a buildup of fluid in the eye.

Your eye is constantly producing fluid inside of itself called aqueous fluid. However, if too much fluid is produced or if the fluid is not draining properly, it can lead to increased pressure inside the eye. Speak to your doctor for more information on the potential effects of increased pressure in the eyes.

# Eye with glaucoma



You are not alone!

More than 250,000 Canadians have open-angle glaucoma, with primary open-angle glaucoma being the most common form.

## **Understanding ocular hypertension**

## What is ocular hypertension?

Ocular hypertension is when the pressure inside the eye (IOP) is higher than normal. With ocular hypertension, the front of the eye does not drain fluid properly. This causes eye pressure to build up.

## Ocular hypertension and glaucoma

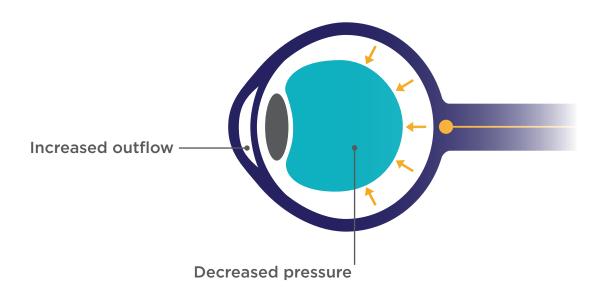
Higher than normal eye pressure can cause glaucoma. Ocular hypertension is not the same as glaucoma. With ocular hypertension, the optic nerve looks normal and there are no signs of vision loss. However, people with ocular hypertension are considered "glaucoma suspects." That means they should see their eye care professional regularly to be checked for glaucoma.

## What is VYZULTA®?

VYZULTA® is used to reduce the high pressure in the eye in patients with open-angle glaucoma or ocular hypertension.

#### How does VYZULTA® work?

VYZULTA® lowers the pressure in the eye by increasing the outflow of fluid from inside the eye.



## What are the ingredients in VYZULTA®?

Medicinal ingredient: Latanoprostene Bunod

**Non-medicinal ingredients:** Benzalkonium Chloride (as preservative), Citric Acid, EDTA, Glycerin, Polysorbate 80, Sodium Citrate and Water



# **Taking VYZULTA®**



#### **Usual dose**

The recommended dose of VYZULTA® is **one drop** into the affected eye(s) **once daily** in the **evening**.

#### Missed dose & overdose

If you forget to use VYZULTA®, continue your treatment with the next dose the following day.

If you think you have taken too much VYZULTA®, contact your healthcare professional, hospital emergency department or regional poison control centre immediately, even if there are no symptoms.

#### How to take VYZULTA®

- Apply one drop of VYZULTA® into each affected eye
- If you wear contact lenses, remove them before applying VYZULTA®
  - You may reinsert them 15 minutes after you have applied VYZULTA®
- If your doctor has prescribed other eye drops to be taken along with VYZULTA®, apply each medicine at least 5 minutes apart
- Use VYZULTA® exactly as your doctor has told you to
- Do not apply VYZULTA® more than once a day

Be careful not to touch your eye, eyelids, surrounding areas, fingers or any other surface with the dropper tip of the bottle. If you do, you may contaminate the medicine, and this can cause you to have an eye infection. Avoid touching the tip of the bottle.

# **Storing VYZULTA®**



Before VYZULTA® is first opened, keep it in the **fridge** (between **2°C and 8°C**)



Once the bottle has been opened, VYZULTA® can be kept at **room temperature** up to **25°C** 



Discard the bottle and/or unused content after 8 weeks

- VYZULTA® should not be used after the expiry date on the bottle
- Protect from light and freezing
- Keep out of sight and reach of children

# Warnings and precautions

## Do not use VYZULTA® if you:

- are allergic to latanoprostene bunod (the medicinal ingredient in VYZULTA®)
- are allergic to any of the other ingredients in VYZULTA® or to a component of the container

To help avoid side effects and ensure proper use, talk to your healthcare professional before you take VYZULTA®. Talk about any health conditions or problems you may have, including if you:

- have or have had eye inflammation including the conditions iritis or uveitis
- have or have had a torn posterior lens capsule
- have or have had eye swelling including a condition called macular edema
- have or have had a viral infection of the eye called herpes keratitis

- have severe asthma or asthma that is not controlled
- are using any other eye drops
- notice any changes in your eyelashes or colour of your eyes
- wear contact lenses
- are pregnant or planning to become pregnant
- are breastfeeding or planning to breastfeed

## Other warnings you should know about:

- Driving and using machines
  - Wait until you can see clearly before driving or operating machines after applying VYZULTA®
- Tell your healthcare professional about all the medicines you take, including any drugs, vitamins, minerals, natural supplements or alternative medicines

## Possible side effects

#### **Common side effects**

• eye irritation

• eye pain

eye redness

- pain in your eye at the application site
- runny or stuffed nose, sore throat

#### Rare side effects

- altered sense of taste
- feeling of grittiness or having something in the eye

#### Other side effects

- VYZULTA® may change colour of your eye or eyelid. The eye colour change may not be noticeable for many months to years. The eye colour and eyelid changes may be permanent. Tell your doctor if your eye colour has changed. They may examine your eyes more often.
- VYZULTA® may also cause your eyelashes to appear thicker and longer than they usually do and increase in number. Eyelash changes are reversible after treatment with VYZULTA® is stopped.

#### Serious side effects and what to do about them

Talk to your healthcare professional in all cases if you develop the following rare side effects:

- Bacterial keratitis (infection of the eye): eye pain or redness, decreased vision, discharge from the eye, sensitivity of the eye to light, swelling of the eye or eyelid, watery eyes or production of tears
- Macular edema (swelling and buildup of fluid in the center of the retina): blurry vision, blurry or wavy vision near or in the center of your field of vision, colours may appear washed out or faded

These are not all the possible side effects that you may feel when taking VYZULTA®. If you experience any side effects not listed here, contact your healthcare professional.

## If you want more information about VYZULTA®

- Talk to your healthcare professional
- Find the full Product Monograph that is prepared for healthcare professionals and includes this Patient Medication Information by visiting the Health Canada website (http://hc-sc.gc.ca/index-eng.php) or by calling 1-800-361-4261



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