



## Consumer Brief Summary

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### **IQUIX® (levofloxacin ophthalmic solution) 1.5%**

#### **Prescription only**

Please read this information carefully before you use IQUIX® and each time you get a refill just in case any information has changed. However, keep in mind that what you read here is not all the information on IQUIX® that is available. It also does not take the place of talking with your healthcare provider. If you have any questions about IQUIX®, be sure to discuss them with your healthcare provider or pharmacist.

#### **What is IQUIX®?**

IQUIX® is a prescription medicine used to treat corneal ulcers caused by bacteria. A corneal ulcer is an open sore on the cornea, the thin clear structure overlying the iris, which is the colored part of your eye. Most corneal ulcers are caused by infections and are more common in people who wear contact lenses.

#### **Who should not use IQUIX®?**

Do not use IQUIX® if you are allergic to levofloxacin (the main ingredient of IQUIX®), to medications in the same class as levofloxacin, or to any other ingredient of IQUIX®. For a list of the ingredients in IQUIX®, refer to the "What are the ingredients of IQUIX®?" section at the end of this document. Pills containing levofloxacin, or other medications in the same class, have been associated with allergic reactions, even following a single dose. You should stop using IQUIX® immediately and contact your healthcare provider at the first sign of rash or allergic reaction. Serious allergic reactions may require immediate emergency treatment.

#### **What should I tell my healthcare provider before using IQUIX®?**



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- Tell your healthcare provider about all the prescription and over-the-counter medications you are taking. Be sure to include food supplements, vitamins, and herbal medicines
- Tell your healthcare provider if you are pregnant or planning to become pregnant. It is not known if IQUIX® can harm your unborn baby
- Tell your healthcare provider if you are breast-feeding. IQUIX® may pass into your breast milk
- Tell your healthcare provider if you are allergic to levofloxacin, other medications in the same class as levofloxacin, any other ingredient in IQUIX® (refer to the “What are the ingredients in IQUIX®?” section), or have any known drug allergies

### **How should IQUIX® be used?**

It is important that IQUIX® be used exactly as your healthcare provider tells you. Your healthcare provider will determine how much IQUIX® you should use, how many times per day, and for how many days. Be sure to follow these instructions carefully. The approved dosing schedule is as follows: For the first 3 days, 1 or 2 drops of IQUIX® are put in the affected eye(s) every 30 minutes to 2 hours while awake, and at approximately 4 hours and 6 hours after going to bed. For days 4 through treatment completion, 1 or 2 drops are put in the affected eye(s) every 1 to 4 hours while awake.

Do not inject IQUIX® into the eye. Do not use IQUIX® longer than recommended by your healthcare provider. Use of IQUIX® for longer periods than the recommended time may result in additional infections.



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### **Important information I should know about using IQUIX®**

- You should not wear contact lenses when you have a corneal ulcer
- To avoid contaminating IQUIX®, do not allow the tip of the bottle to touch the eyelid(s), the surrounding areas of the eye(s), fingers, or other surfaces when putting drops into the affected eye(s)

### **What are the possible side effects of IQUIX®?**

The most commonly reported side effects in people who used IQUIX® were headache and a temporary taste change after drop(s) were put into the affected eye(s). Less common side effects included decreased/blurred vision, diarrhea, heart burn, fever, infection, irritation/discomfort in the eye(s) that received the drop(s), eye infection, nausea, eye pain/discomfort, and throat irritation. These are not all the possible side effects you may experience when using IQUIX®. For more information, ask your healthcare provider or pharmacist.

### **General information about IQUIX®**

Medicines are sometimes prescribed for conditions that are not mentioned in the patient information.

Do not use IQUIX® for a condition for which it was not prescribed. Do not give IQUIX® to other people even if they have the same symptoms you have. It may harm them.

### **How should I store IQUIX®?**

IQUIX® should be stored at room temperature, 59° -77° F. (15° -25° C). Keep IQUIX® and all medicines out of the reach of children.



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### **What are the ingredients of IQUIX®?**

The active ingredient of IQUIX® is levofloxacin at a concentration of 1.5%. The inactive ingredients in IQUIX® are glycerin and water. IQUIX® may also contain hydrochloric acid and/or sodium hydroxide. IQUIX® does not contain any preservatives.

### **How can I obtain additional information?**

If you have questions related to IQUIX®, call the toll-free number at 800-523-6225, or log onto the website [www.IQUIX.com](http://www.IQUIX.com).



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