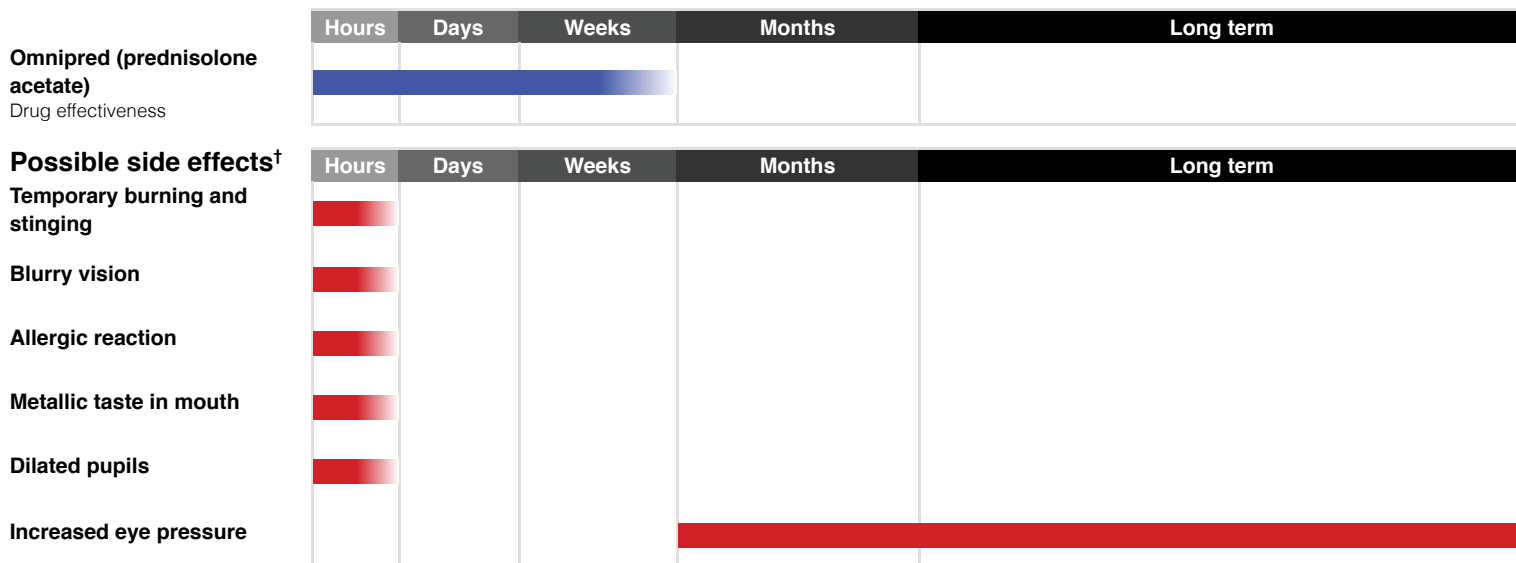


Omnipred (prednisolone acetate) basics

Calms down redness and swelling in the eye. Omnipred (prednisolone acetate) is a steroid used in the eye that is effective for treatment and symptom relief, but with long-term use, it can have some side effects.

What to expect when starting

Here's when people typically experience benefits as well as some possible side effects. Your experience may be different.



† Data on frequency of side effects is not available.

Tips from pharmacists

- If inflammation or pain gets worse or lasts longer than 2 days while taking Omnipred (prednisolone acetate), talk to your doctor.
- Only a small drop is needed per eye. Tilt your head back and place a drop into your lower eyelid, being careful not to touch the bottle tip to your eyelid or other surface. Afterwards, pinch the top of your nose (in between the eyes) for 15-30 seconds so that the liquid gets absorbed into your eyes.
- If dose calls for multiple drops, wait 5 minutes in between each drop.
- Shake well before use. You can store Omnipred (prednisolone acetate) at room temperature, but keeping it in the refrigerator can help alleviate symptoms of pain. Do not freeze.
- Temporary burning and stinging in the eye may occur after putting in the drop.
- If you are taking Omnipred (prednisolone acetate) long-term, you may need to gradually stop taking this medication. Take it exactly as your doctor prescribed and do not stop suddenly.

Risks and warnings

Contact your doctor if you experience any of these.

Glaucoma and cataracts

Long-term use of steroids might in some cases cause increased pressure in your eyes which can lead to glaucoma or cataracts. If you have glaucoma, talk to your doctor before starting Omnipred (prednisolone acetate) to see if it's safe. Your doctor should check the pressure in your eyes regularly if you have to use Omnipred (prednisolone acetate) for more than 10 days.

Increased risk of infection

Long-term use of Omnipred (prednisolone acetate) might increase your risk of getting eye infections, or you might not notice that you have an infection. Talk to your doctor if you notice a sudden redness or drainage from your eyes.

Thinning of eye layer

Long-term use of steroids can thin the layers of your eyes which can hurt your eye. Your doctor will check your eyes regularly to make sure they're ok.