

Minoxidil 10% / Azelaic Acid 2%

Topical Spray

Patient Information Leaflet



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What This Leaflet Contains

- What this product is and what it is used for
- What you need to know before using this product
- How to use this product
- Possible side effects
- How to store this product
- Contents of the pack and other information

Read all of this leaflet carefully before you start using this medicine. Keep it for future reference. If you have any questions, please contact your doctor, nurse, or pharmacist.

Always use this medicine exactly as described in this leaflet or as directed by your healthcare professional.

Report any side effects not listed in this leaflet via the Yellow Card Scheme at www.mhra.gov.uk/yellowcard

You must talk to a doctor if your symptoms are getting worse or do not improve after four months.

1. What This Product Is and What It Is Used For

This topical spray combines two active ingredients to treat androgenetic alopecia (male and female pattern hair loss):

- Minoxidil (10%) is a vasodilator that prolongs the anagen (growth) phase of the hair cycle, stimulates hair follicles, and promotes hair regrowth.
- Azelaic acid (2%) is a naturally occurring dicarboxylic acid with anti-androgenic and anti-inflammatory properties. It inhibits 5-alpha reductase activity locally, reducing DHT production in the scalp, and may also reduce scalp inflammation that contributes to hair loss.
- Together, these agents target multiple pathways involved in pattern hair loss, potentially offering enhanced efficacy compared to either ingredient alone.

- Visible results typically take 4–6 months. This product is unlicensed in the UK for this indication and has been prescribed based on clinical judgement.

2. What You Need to Know Before Using This Product

Do Not Use This Product If:

- You are allergic to minoxidil, azelaic acid, propylene glycol, or any other ingredient listed in Section 6.
- You have a scalp condition such as psoriasis, eczema, severe sunburn, open wounds, scars, or active infection.
- You have known cardiovascular disease, particularly irregular heartbeat or hypotension.
- You are pregnant or breastfeeding (seek medical advice first).

Warnings and Precautions

Cardiovascular effects: Minoxidil is a potent vasodilator. Although systemic absorption from topical use is low, patients with a history of heart disease, low blood pressure, or fluid retention should use this product with caution and under medical supervision.

Scalp irritation: Propylene glycol in the formulation may cause skin irritation in sensitive individuals. Discontinue use if persistent redness, burning, or itching occurs.

Unwanted hair growth: Minoxidil may occasionally cause facial hair growth in women if the product spreads beyond the scalp. Apply carefully and wash hands after use.

Other Medicines and This Product:

Inform your doctor if you are taking blood pressure medications, topical corticosteroids, or other scalp treatments. Avoid using other medicated scalp preparations on the same area without medical advice.

3. How to Use This Product

Use exactly as directed by your healthcare professional.

Recommended dose: Apply 1 ml (5–6 sprays) to the affected areas of the scalp once or twice daily as directed.

Application Instructions

- Ensure hair and scalp are dry before applying.

- Part the hair to expose the scalp in the affected area.
- Hold the bottle upright and spray 5–6 pumps directly onto the scalp.
- Spread and gently massage into the scalp using fingertips.
- Wash hands thoroughly after application.

Precautions During Application

- Avoid contact with eyes, nose, and mouth.
- Do not inhale the spray.
- Do not apply to broken, red, or inflamed skin.
- Allow at least 4 hours before washing your scalp after application.
- Avoid application near open flames — this product is flammable.

4. Possible Side Effects

Like all medicines, this medicine can cause side effects, although not everybody gets them.

Common Side Effects (may affect up to 1 in 10 users)

- Scalp itching, redness, or burning sensation at the application site.
- Dry or flaky scalp.
- Initial temporary increase in hair shedding (telogen effluvium) — usually resolves within 2–4 weeks.
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Uncommon Side Effects (may affect up to 1 in 100 users)

- Unwanted facial or body hair growth.
- Dizziness or light-headedness (suggesting systemic absorption — seek medical advice).
- Fluid retention or swelling.
- Rapid or irregular heartbeat — seek medical advice promptly.
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Allergic Reactions

- Skin rash, hives, or swelling — discontinue use and seek medical help.

Contact your doctor immediately if you experience chest pain, palpitations, or severe dizziness.

5. How to Store This Product

- Store below 25°C in an upright position.
- Keep away from heat and direct sunlight.
- Do not freeze.
- Keep out of reach and sight of children.
- Do not use after the expiry date shown on the label.
- Dispose of unused medication responsibly – consult your pharmacist for guidance.

Note: This product contains alcohol and is flammable. Store away from heat, sparks, and open flames.

6. Contents of the Pack and Other Information

Active ingredients: Minoxidil 10%, Azelaic Acid 2%

Other ingredients: Ethanol, propylene glycol, purified water

This product is provided as a clear or slightly coloured topical solution in a spray bottle.

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