

## MEDICATION

TRADE NAME Pontocaine

GENERIC NAME Tetracaine

CLASSIFICATION Ophthalmic Anesthetic

ACTION Interferes with normal pain impulse transmission to the brain

ROUTE Ophthalmic (Topical or Injected)

DOSAGE 5% Onset = 1 minute  
Duration = 15-20 minutes

SIDE EFFECTS Will result in numbness of the cornea

HOW USED IN SURGERY Ophthalmic procedures that might cause discomfort to the patient require pain control/prevention