

**Olopatadine 1 mg/ml Eye Drops  
(Opatanol<sup>®</sup> 0.1% w/v Eye Drops)**

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**Alcon Laboratories (UK) Ltd  
Summary of Recommendation**

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The Scottish Medicines Consortium (SMC) has completed its assessment of the above product and advises NHS Boards and ADTCs on its use in NHS Scotland. The recommendation is summarised as follows:

**ADVICE**

Not recommended for use within NHS Scotland

**RECOMMENDATION**

Olopatadine is a new local antihistamine and antiallergen. It appears to have similar efficacy to other ocular preparations for seasonal allergic conjunctivitis, however the cost effectiveness of this product has not been adequately demonstrated.

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