



## Patient Information Sheet

### Ranibizumab (marketed as Lucentis)

This is a summary of the most important information about Lucentis. For details, talk to your eye surgeon.

#### What Is Lucentis?

Lucentis is a medicine injected into the eye for the treatment of wet age-related macular degeneration (AMD).

Lucentis has not been studied in children.

#### Who Should Not Be Treated With Lucentis?

You should not be given Lucentis if you have any of the following conditions:

- if you are allergic to Lucentis or any of its ingredients.
- if you have an infection in or around the eye

#### What Are The Risks?

*The following are the major potential risks and side effects of Lucentis therapy. However, this list is not complete.*

- **Serious eye infection**
- **Detached retina**
- **Increases in eye pressure**
- **Blood clots and bleeding in the eye**
- **Inflammation** inside the eye

**Call your eye doctor right away if your eye becomes sensitive to light, painful, or you develop a change in vision during treatment with Lucentis.**

Your eye doctor will carefully monitor your eye right after your injection and during the week following your injection.

- **Some common side effects** that may occur with Lucentis include:
  - blood in the eye
  - red eye
  - eye pain
  - small specks in your vision

#### What Should I Tell My Ophthalmologist (Eye Surgeon)?

**Before you start taking Lucentis**, tell your ophthalmologist if you:

- are trying to become pregnant, are already pregnant, or are breast-feeding
- are allergic to Lucentis or to any of the ingredients in Lucentis

#### Can Other Medicines Or Food Affect Lucentis?

Lucentis and certain other medicines can interact with each other. Some patients have developed a serious eye inflammation when receiving treatment with both Lucentis and verteporfin (Visudyne) photodynamic therapy (PDT).

Tell your eye surgeon about all the medicines you take including prescription and non-prescription medicines including aspirin, vitamins, and herbal supplements. Some medicines may affect how Lucentis works or Lucentis may affect how your other medicines work. Know the medicines you take. Keep a list of them with you to show your ophthalmologist.





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#### How Do I Receive Lucentis?

- Lucentis is usually injected into the eye once a month.
- Lucentis may be injected into the eye once every 3 months after the first 4 monthly injections, if once a month injections are not

possible. This dosing schedule is less effective in treating wet age-related macular degeneration.

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