

## Prevalence of Dry Eye Syndrome:

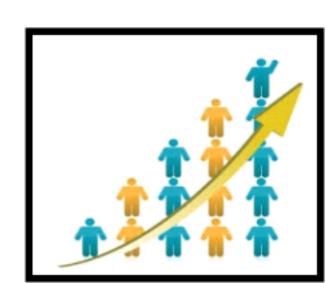
∨ One in four patients attending ophthalmic clinics report symptoms of dry eye.

∨Prevalence of dry eye ranges from 5% to 35% worldwide, while in **India it is 29%**¹

 $\vee$  The prevalence is increases as population ages<sup>2</sup>

∨ It affects women more than men<sup>2</sup>

- 1. Medical Journal of Dr. D.Y. Patil University, 2014, 7(1), 13-18
- 2. Keratoconjunctivitis, Sicca". eMedicine. WebMD, Inc. January 27, 2010. Retrieved September 3, 2010



## Current topical treatment for Dry Eye Syndrome:

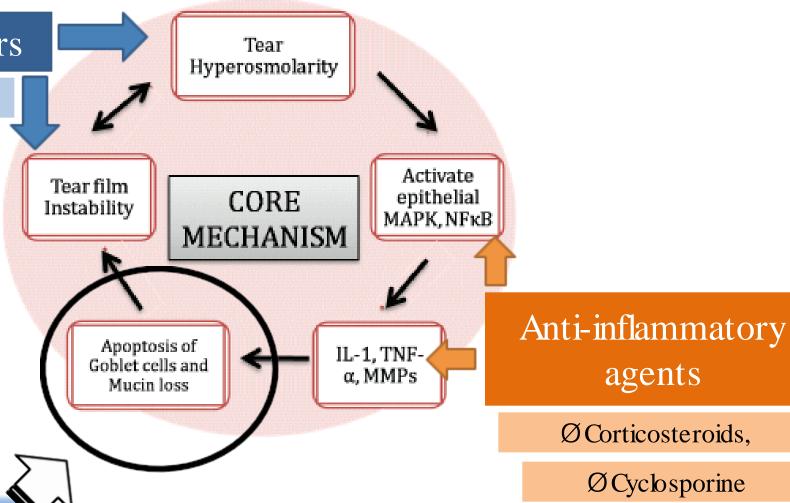


Ø Carboxy methyl cellulose

ØHPMC, Glycerine

Ø Artificial inserts

Ø Artificial Ointments, gels



Une xplored but highly important way towards the management of DES

# It is found that, there is 76% decrease in Goblet cell density in DFS

and therefore...

Increase the proliferation of goblet cells and thereby mucin secretion should be considered as the first criteria in management of Dry eye syndrome



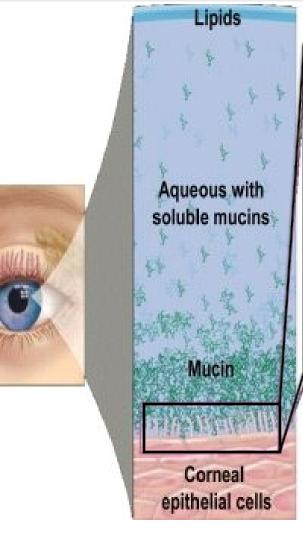
## Rebamipide

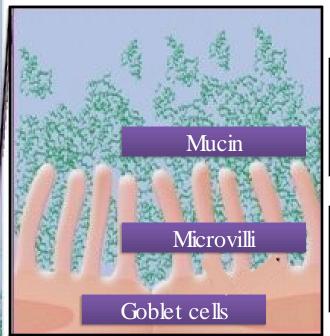
Rebamipide belongs to the class of Mucin secretagogue

Recently **Rebamipide** 2% topical suspension is approved in Japan for Treatment of Dry eye syndrome.



### Microvilli:





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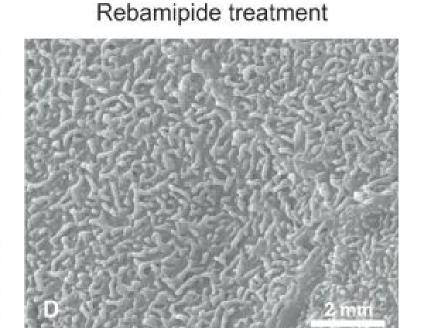
Microvilli contribute to the stabilization of the tear fluid by serving as a scaffold for the localization of mucin

In dry eye patients, it has been reported that microvilli decreases in number and become irregular

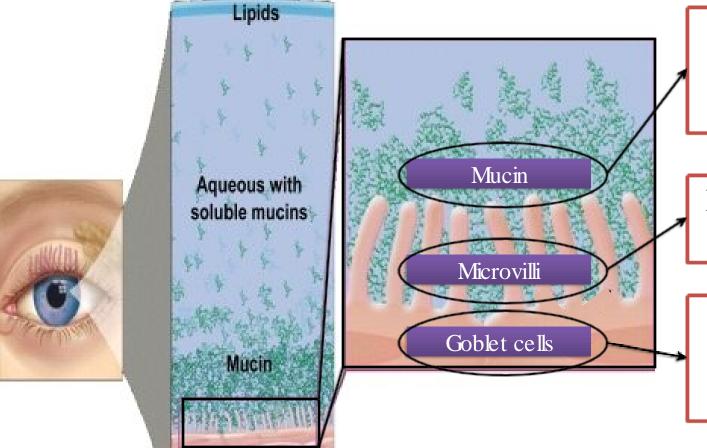
	Dry eye	Normal
Avg no. of microvilli/8.3 µm/area	19.6	28
Avg height of microvilli	0.54 <b>µ</b> m	0.95 <b>µ</b> m

## Rebamipide role on microvilli:

C 2 mm



Atarashii Ganka. 2012;29:1147 –1151. Japanese.



Rebamipide increases both secreted and membrane associated mucins<sup>1</sup>

Rebamipide **Prevents damage** to **Microvilli**<sup>2</sup>

Rebamipide Increases the proliferation and there by density of Goblet cells<sup>3</sup>

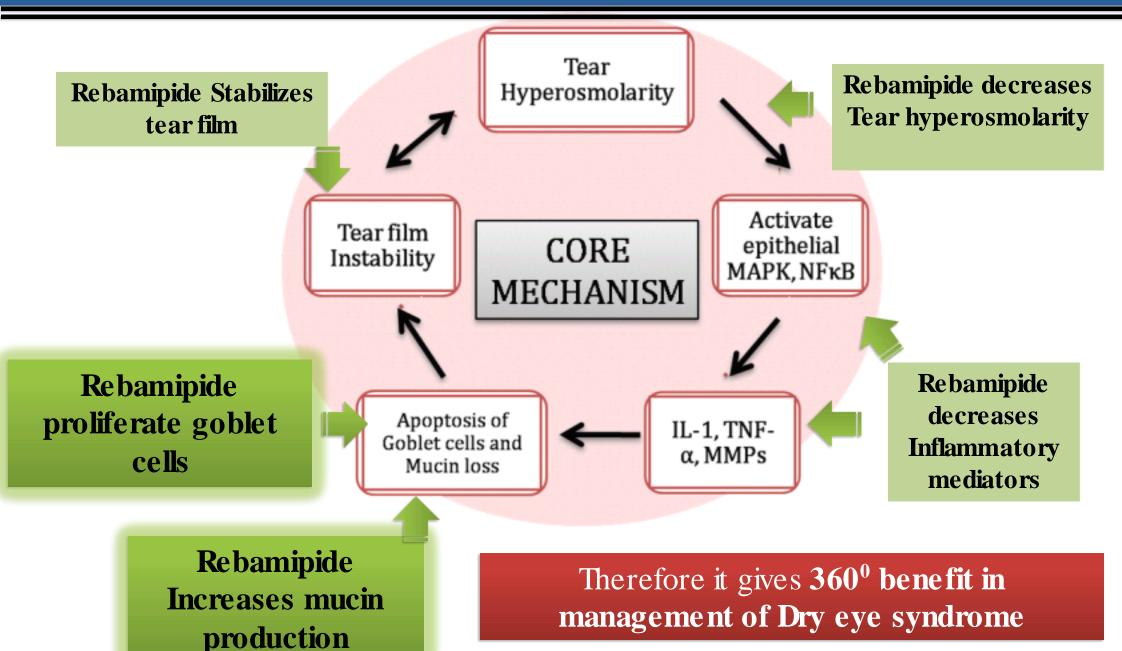
Therefore it ensures firm adhesion and Good stability of tear film

1. Ocular Pharmacology and Therapeutics 2012; 28(3):259-63

Corneal

epithelial cells

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Clinical evidences

#### Scheme:

Multicentre, Double blind, single arm study on 154 patients of dry eye



Treated with Rebamipide, Instilled 1 drop in each eye, 4 times a day for 52 weeks

#### Outcome measures:

## Primary end point measures:

- Changes in FCS
- Changes in LGCS

### Secondary end point measures:

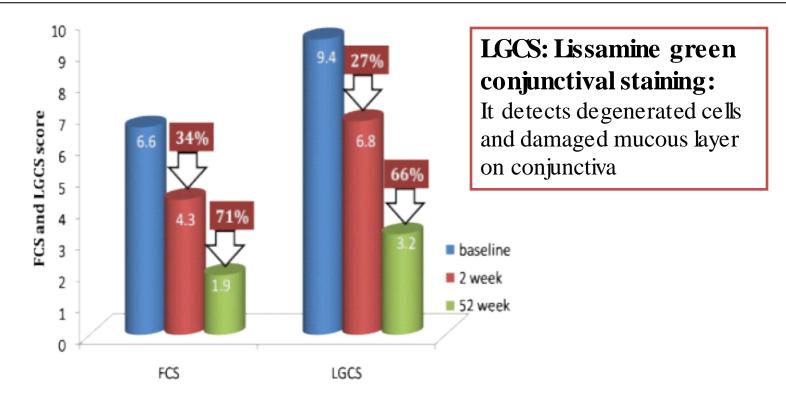
- Tear film breakup time
- Dry eye related ocular symptoms like body sensation, dryness, photophobia, eye pain, and blurred vision

#### **Result:**

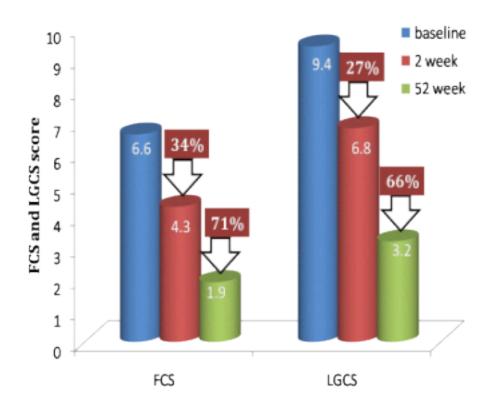
•There was significant decrease in FCS, and LGCS score from baseline after 2 and 52 weeks.

## FCS: fluorescein corneal staining:

It detects the damaged cornea.



FCS: fluorescein corneal staining, LGCS: lissamine green conjunctival staining

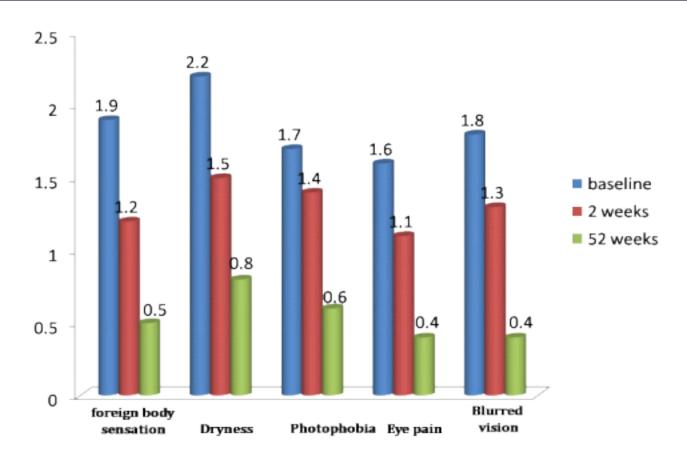


#### **Result:**

•The **Tear break up time** was increased from 2.41 sec to 2.96 sec at end of 2 weeks and up to 3.74 at the end of 52 weeks

Result:

•Significant improvement in dry eye related ocular symptoms



**CONCLUSION**: 2% rebamipide is effective in improving both the objective signs and subjective symptoms of dry eye patients.

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30 patients of dry eye signs and symptoms in Sjogren Syndrome patients

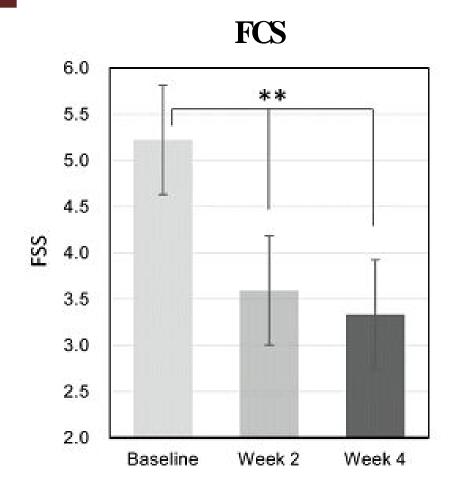


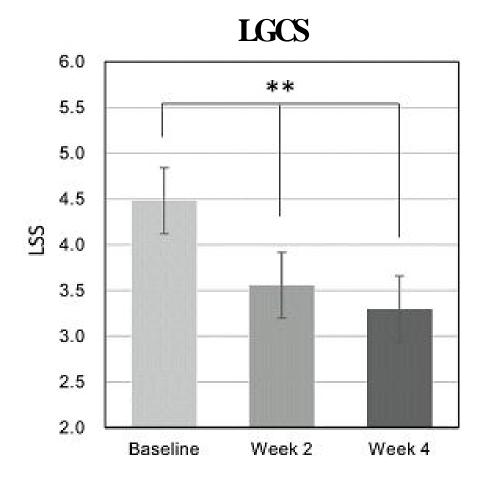
**Rebamipide 2%** eye drop, 1 drop QID for 4 weeks



- 1. Fluorescein staining score (FSS)
- 2. conjunctival lissamine green staining score. (LSS)
- 3. Tear film break up time (**BUT**)
- 4. Dry eye symptoms
  (foreign body sensation, dry eye
  sensation, photophobia, ocular pain,
  blurred vision)

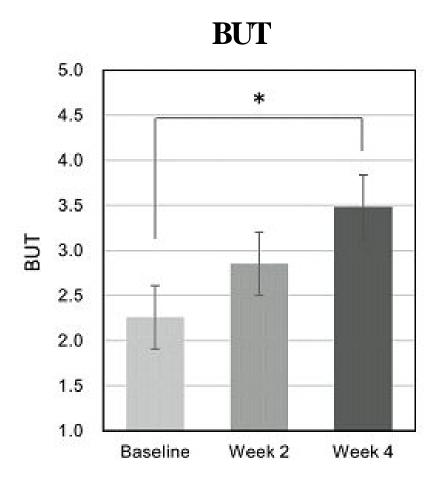
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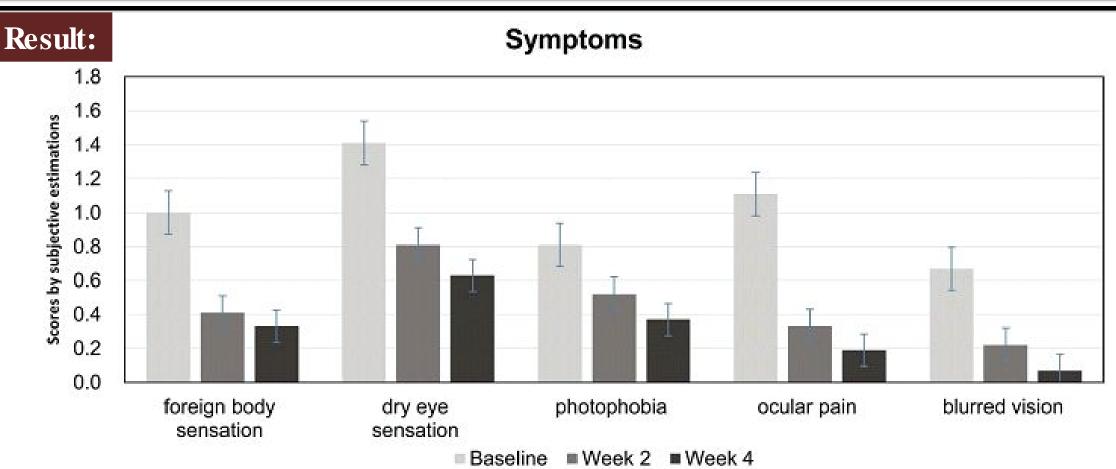




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### **Result:**





**CONCLUSION**: Rebamipide ophthalmic Eye drop was effective in treating KCS of patients with SS, probably by increasing mucins and suppressing in ammatory cytokines.

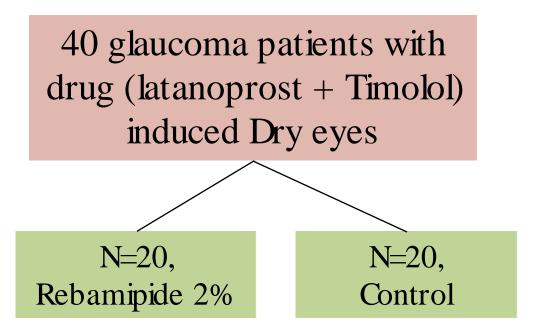
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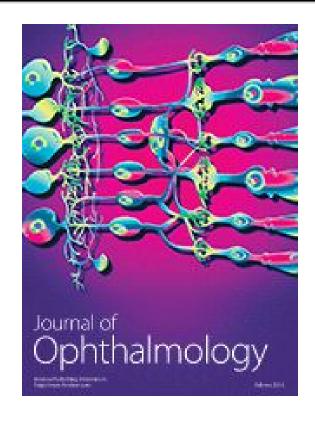


Most recent (2015)
Clinical evidences

### •Rebamipide is also effective in drug induced dry eyes

### Study design:

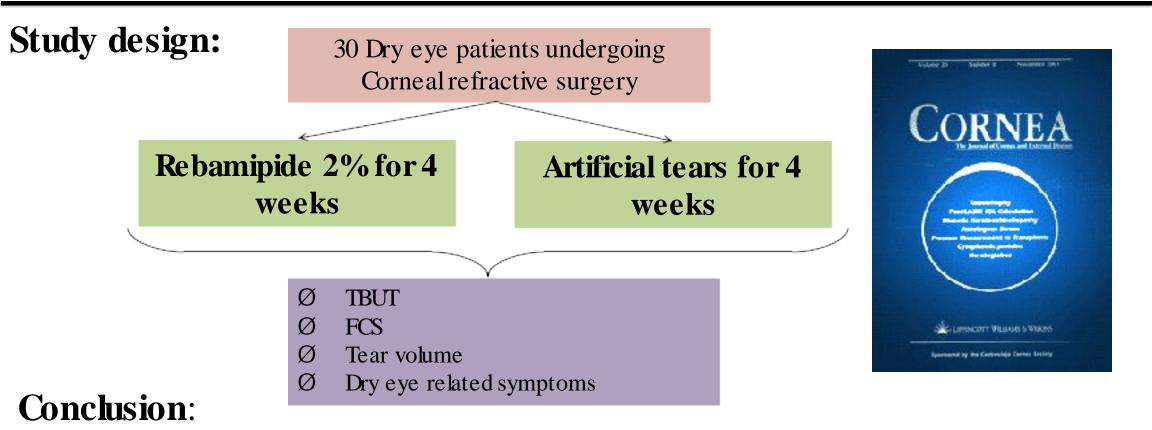




#### **Conclusion:**

These findings suggest that rebamipide eye drop improve dry eye and repair druginduced keratopathy when antiglaucoma eye drop induced ocular surface disorder occurs.

### •Rebamipide: in management of Dry eyes associated with surgeries

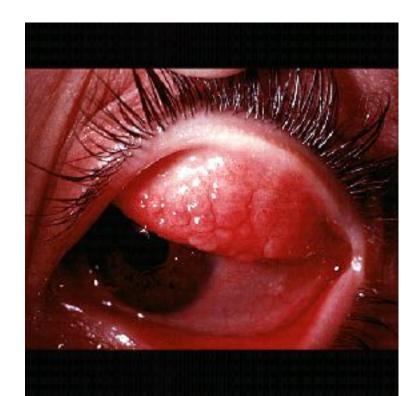


Rebamipide was effective for improving both ocular surface parameters in patients with dry eye undergoing corneal refractive surgery, suggesting that it hold promise for the treatment of such patients.

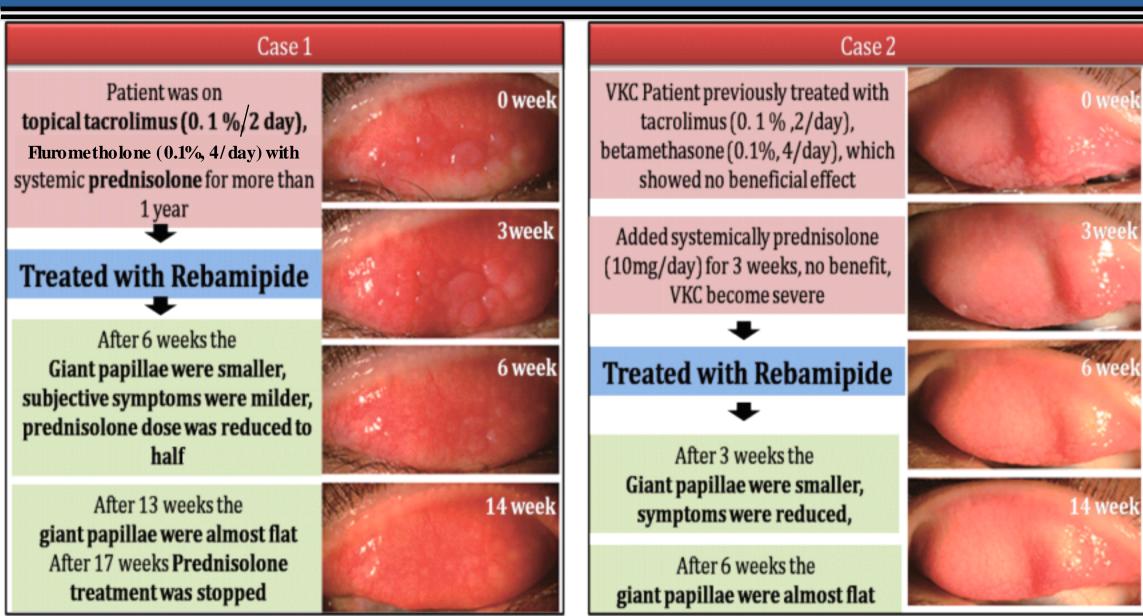
## •Rebamipide attenuates giant papillae in patients with allergic conjunctivitis like VKC/AKC

VKC: Vernal keratoconjuctivitis is chronic, recurrent, allergic inflammation of conjunctiva

It is characterized by presence of giant papillae



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#### Case 3

VKC patient was on Fluromothalone (0.1%) 4/day, Olopatadine (0.1%/4day)



## Added Rebamipide

and stopped Olopatadine



After 2 weeks the

Giant papillae were smaller,
Sevearity of discharge and itching
was lessen

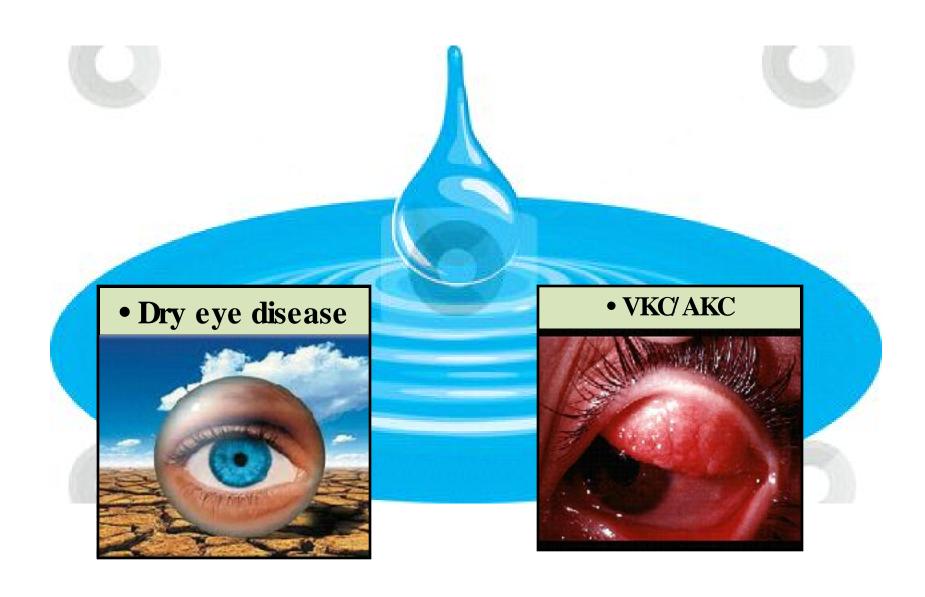
After 4 weeks the giant papillae were further smaller and flatter



#### **Conclusion**:

Rebamipide eye drops attenuates giant papillae in patients with allergic conjunctival diseases and therefore is useful for the treatment of not only dry eye but also of allergic conjunctival diseases

## Indications of Rebamipide:



## •Dosage:

✓ Instill 1 drop at a time,4 times daily for 4 weeks or as directed by physician

## •Safety:

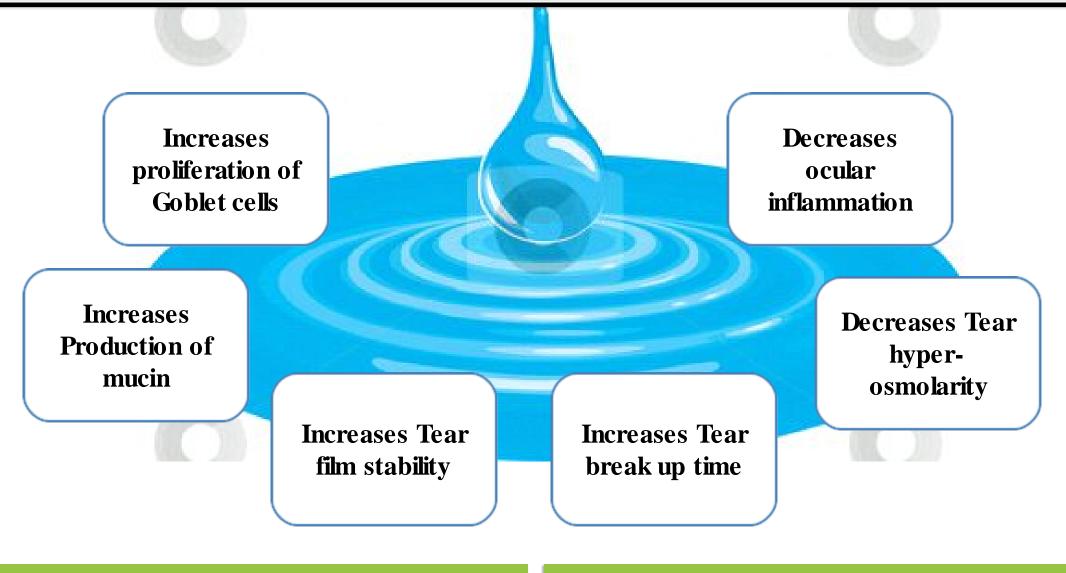
- ∨ No life threatening or serious adverse events were noted.
- ∨The most frequent adverse event in **Rebamipide** ophthalmic treatment was dysgeusia (9.7% of patients)
- ∨ Otherwise the treatment is generally well tolerated.

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### •Contraindication:

∨ Contraindicated in patients having allergy for components of product

## Summary Rebamipide:



Safe and well tolerated treatment

360° benefit in **Dry eye syndrome** 



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