

### TheraTears® EXTRA® **Dry Eye Therapy**

TheraTears® EXTRA® is the most hypotonic leading brand<sup>6</sup>

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OSMO-CORRECTION® HYPOTONIC & ELECTROLYTE BALANCED.

Product	Osmolarity	Electrolyte Balanced
TheraTears® EXTRA®	155	YES
TheraTears <sup>®</sup>	188	YES
Refresh Optive® Advanced	269	NO
Systane® Balance	275	NO
Refresh Tears <sup>*</sup>	276	NO
Systane <sup>®</sup> Ultra	286	NO
Systane <sup>®</sup>	290	NO
Soothe <sup>®</sup> XP	294	NO
Normal Tears	302	YES
Refresh Plus*	306	NO
Refresh Optive®	329	NO

### TheraTears® Dry Eye Therapy Relieves the Signs and Symptoms of Dry Eye7













TheraTears® **Dry Eye Therapy** 

Lubricant Eye Drops



TheraTears® **SteriLid** Antimicrobial Cleanser



TheraTears® **Eve Nutrition** 

1200mg Omega-3 Supplement

Recommend the TheraTears® family of products for your dry eye patients.

Critical first steps to treating dry eye symptoms include ocular lubricants, lid hygiene and dietary modifications such as oral fatty acid supplementation.1 -2017 DEWS II Report

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DRY EYE RELIEF INSPIRED BY NATURE



### The History of Trehalose

### Trehalose is a natural disaccharide with enhanced moisture retention capabilities.

Trehalose is found in micro-organisms, insects and certain plants, such as the Rose of Jericho, native to desert regions of the world.

The Rose of Jericho can survive in a dormant state for years without water. Thanks to the power of trehalose, it comes back to life when re-exposed to water.



#### How does it work?

- Protects cell membranes and proteins from denaturation and disruption in the absence of water
- Maintains cell membrane and protein integrity during drying and rehydration

#### How is it used?

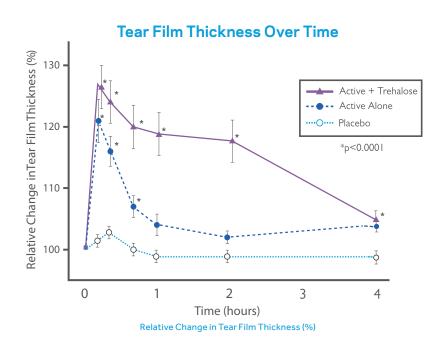
- To enhance the effectiveness of active ingredients
- In the U.S. as an excipient in at least four injectable pharmaceuticals<sup>2</sup>
- As a protectant for in vitro fertilization, plasma transfusions, cosmetics and processed foods

# **▼** Rehydrates Tear Film

#### Trehalose has been shown to enhance tear film thickness when combined with an active ingredient.<sup>3</sup>

Compared to baseline, the active + trehalose formula provided a significant increase in tear film thickness from 10 minutes to 4 hours after installation.

Adopted from Schmidl D, et al.3



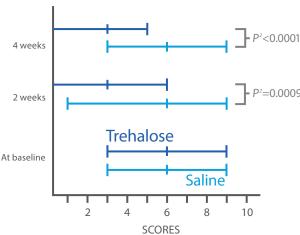
### Protects from Further Irritation

# In a preliminary clinical study, trehalose helped improve corneal staining.<sup>4</sup>

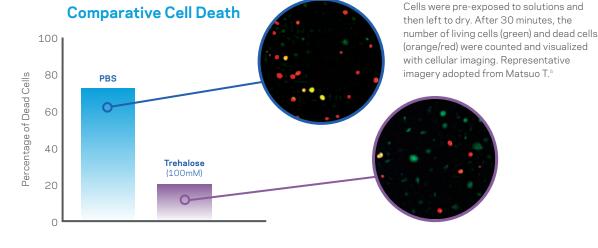
Trehalose significantly decreases Rose Bengal staining vs. saline control after both 2 and 4 weeks of treatment.

Results of installing trehalose (100mM) in one eye and control saline in the other eye of patients with dry eye syndrome. Chart created from Matsuo T et al.<sup>4</sup>

#### **Comparative Rose Bengal Staining**



# In a laboratory study, trehalose helped protect corneal epithelial cells from apoptosis after 30 minutes of desiccation.<sup>5</sup>



# **✓** Supports Homeostasis of Tear Film

# As discussed in the 2017 DEWS II Report, trehalose is proven to help:<sup>1</sup>

- Protect corneal cells from desiccation
- Prevent denaturation of cell membrane lipid bilayers and proteins
- Restore osmotic balance to the ocular surface
- Maintain homeostasis of corneal cells

