# Bausch + Lomb Launches Biotrue® Hydration Boost Lubricant Eye Drops and Biotrue® Micellar Eyelid Cleansing Wipes

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## New Preservative-Free and pH-Balanced Products Formulated for Irritated, Dry Eyes

### Now Rolling out to Major U.S. Retailers

LAVAL, Quebec, July 12, 2021 /PRNewswire/ -- Bausch + Lomb, a leading global eye health business of Bausch Health Companies Inc. (NYSE/TSX: BHC) ("Bausch Health"), today announced the U.S. launch of Biotrue<sup>®</sup> Hydration Boost Lubricant Eye Drops and Biotrue<sup>®</sup> Micellar Eyelid Cleansing Wipes. Both products are preservative-free and uniquely formulated with naturally inspired ingredients to relieve symptoms associated with irritated, dry eyes.

"One of the major culprits of dry eyes, which is one of the most common eye conditions in the United States<sup>1</sup>, is our increasing usage of digital devices. We developed Biotrue<sup>®</sup> Hydration Boost Lubricant Eye Drops and Biotrue<sup>®</sup> Micellar Eyelid Cleansing Wipes to provide instant moisture to help relieve dry, digital-device-weary eyes," said Joe Gordon, U.S. president, Bausch + Lomb. "Inspired by the biology of the eye, both products are free of preservatives and are pH-balanced."

Biotrue<sup>®</sup> Hydration Boost Lubricant Eye Drops, which can be used while wearing soft contact lenses,\* provide instant moisture and relief for irritated, dry eyes. These eye drops are pH-balanced to match healthy tears with ingredients that include an electrolyte, a component of natural, healthy tears, an antioxidant, to protect against free radicals, and hyaluronan (HA)<sup>2</sup>, a moisturizer found naturally in tears.

For some patients, eyelid buildup can be associated with irritated, dry eyes. Bausch + Lomb developed Biotrue<sup>®</sup> Micellar Eyelid Cleansing Wipes to gently cleanse and hydrate the eyelid area to help eyes feel more comfortable. Similar to the Biotrue<sup>®</sup> Hydration Boost Lubricant Eye Drops, the cleansing wipes are formulated with ingredients that include HA and an electrolyte as well as a micellar cleanser comprised of a naturally derived surfactant for gentle cleansing and aloe, licorice and dandelion root extract, which are naturally soothing.

"Many of my patients report having tired and irritated eyes at the end of the day, which is typically the result of prolonged digital device usage that can lead to eye dryness," said Jennifer Tsai, O.D., and founder, Line of Sight, New York. "The availability of Biotrue<sup>®</sup> Hydration Boost Lubricant Eye Drops and Biotrue<sup>®</sup> Micellar Eyelid Cleansing Wipes offers two convenient, overthe-counter options that I look forward to offering my patients to help relieve the symptoms of their dry, digitally irritated eyes."

Biotrue<sup>®</sup> Hydration Boost Lubricant Eye Drops and Biotrue<sup>®</sup> Micellar Eyelid Cleansing Wipes will be available for purchase in the eye care aisle or online at most national retailers, including Walgreens, CVS, Walmart, Target, Rite Aid and Amazon. Both will have a manufacturer's suggested retail price as low as \$11.99.

For more information on the Biotrue<sup>®</sup> family of products, visit www.biotrue.com

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## References

- 1. Multi-sponsor Surveys, Inc., The 2017 Gallup Study of Dry Eye Sufferers.
- 2. HA is sourced from a large-scale natural fermentation process.

<sup>\*</sup>Based on standardized testing of soft contact lenses. Not meant to lubricate or rewet lenses.

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