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This is a highly toxic substance that has been used for many years in extremely dilute doses to paralyse certain muscles, and is safe if used correctly.

It was first used to try to correct certain forms of squint, but more recently it has been used to treat facial spasm. It has had considerable success in blepharospasm, that is a pathological contraction of the eyelids forcing patients to keep their eyes closed because of abnormal spasm of the eyelid muscles.

In cosmetic surgery, it is indicated when there are excessively prominent wrinkles in the face due, for example, to contraction of the muscles of the forehead, or around the eyes.

Injections are made with very fine needles without the need for anaesthesia. The dose is extremely small and the dilution is calculated precisely. An effect is noticeable after 4 to 7 days, and it lasts 4 to 6 months, after which the injections must be repeated. After about 6 such treatments the hyperactive muscles shrink and should not cause any further trouble.

This is a relatively new treatment that is proving very reliable. We recommend that it be done by a qualified surgeon who knows the problems of the facial region in depth.

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