

Xtoro approved for swimmer's ear

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(HealthDay)—Xtoro (finafloxacin otic suspension) eardrops have been approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration to treat swimmer's ear, clinically known as acute otitis externa.

The infection of the [outer ear](#) and ear canal, most often caused by ear canal bacteria, has typical symptoms including pain, swelling, redness and discharge, the FDA said in a news release.

The drug's safety and effectiveness were evaluated in a clinical study of more than 1,200 people, aged 6 months to 85 years. The most common side effects were ear itching and nausea.

Xtoro is produced by Alcon Laboratories, based in Fort Worth, Texas.

More information: The FDA has more about [this approval](#).

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