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Drug(s):
 POLYHEXANIDE 52041203; CHLORHEXIDINE 52041286; NEOMYCIN 8120203;
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 DIBROMPROPAMIDINE 52041204; **MOXIFLOXACIN 8122029**

Disease(s):
 KERATITIS NEC 370.; A

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Abstract:
 A 25-year-old active duty Army E-5 developed severe infectious keratitis in his left eye secondary to soft contact lens (CL) wear while deployed in Iraq, necessitating evacuation to Walter Reed Army Medical Center for further evaluation and treatment. Initial clinical examination at Walter Reed Army Medical Center was suggestive of Acanthamoeba keratitis, a serious corneal pathogen associated with CL wear. In vivo confocal microscopy demonstrated Acanthamoeba cysts in the epithelium and anterior stroma, and smears and cultures from an epithelial biopsy specimen confirmed the diagnosis of Acanthamoeba keratitis. To our knowledge this is the first reported case of Acanthamoeba keratitis in a

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