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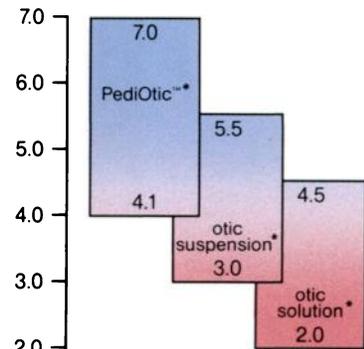


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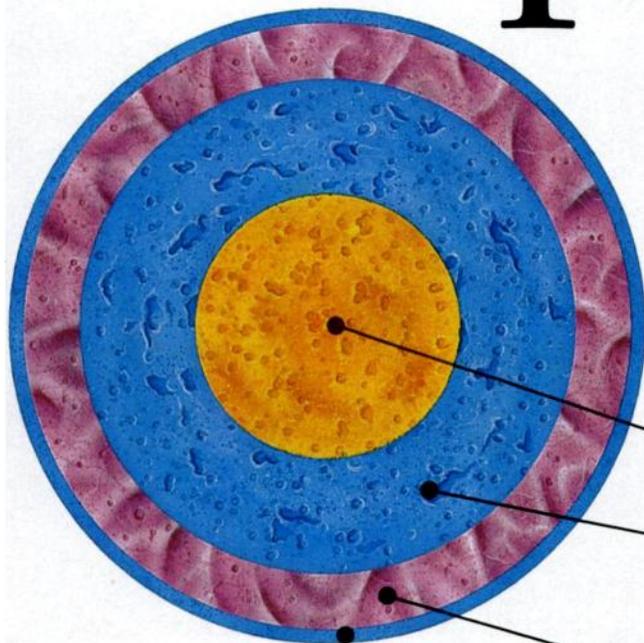
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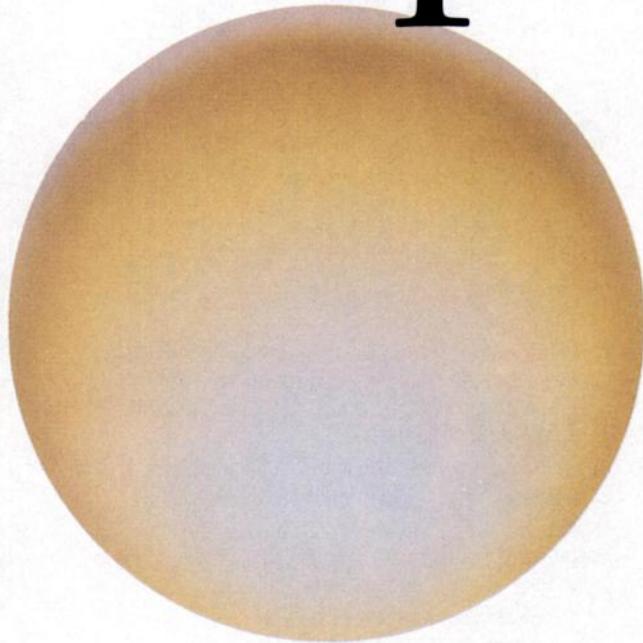
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PRECAUTIONS:

General: Mean half-life in smokers is shorter than non-smokers. Therefore, smokers may require larger or more frequent doses of theophylline. Morphine and curare should be used with caution in patients with airway obstruction as they may suppress respiration and stimulate histamine release. Alternative drugs should be used when possible.

Theophylline should not be administered concurrently with other xanthine preparations. Use with caution in patients with severe cardiac disease, severe hypoxemia, hypertension, hyperthyroidism, acute myocardial injury, cor pulmonale, congestive heart failure, alcoholism, liver disease, and in the elderly, especially males, and neonates. Great caution should be used in giving theophylline to patients with congestive heart failure. Frequently, such patients have shown markedly prolonged theophylline blood levels with theophylline persisting in serum for long periods following discontinuation of the drug. Use theophylline cautiously in patients with a history of peptic ulcer. Theophylline may occasionally act as a local gastrointestinal irritant, although GI symptoms are more commonly centrally mediated and associated with serum drug concentrations over 20 µg/mL.

Information for Patients: The physician should reinforce the importance of taking only the prescribed dose at the prescribed time intervals. The patient should alert the physician if symptoms occur repeatedly, especially near the end of a dosing interval. When prescribing administration by the sprinkle method, details of the proper technique should be explained to the patient.

Drug Interactions: Drug-Drug:

Toxic synergism with ephedrine has been documented and may occur with some other sympathomimetic bronchodilators. In addition, the following drug interactions have been demonstrated:

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Aminophylline with propranolol	Increased theophylline serum concentrations. Antagonism of propranolol effects.
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A drug-food effect, if any, would likely have its greatest clinical significance when high theophylline serum levels are being maintained and/or when large single doses (greater than 13 mg/kg or 900 mg) of a controlled-release theophylline product are given. The influence of the type and amount of food on performance of controlled-release theophylline products is under study at this time.

Drug/Laboratory Test Interactions: When plasma levels of theophylline are measured by spectrophotometric methods, coffee, tea, cola beverages, theophylline, and azarimophen contribute falsely high values.

Carcinogenesis, Mutagenesis, Impairment of Fertility: Long-term animal studies have not been performed to evaluate the carcinogenic potential, mutagenic potential, or the effect on fertility by xanthine compounds.

Pregnancy: Pregnancy Category C

Animal reproduction studies have not been conducted with theophylline. It is not known whether theophylline can cause fetal harm when administered to a pregnant woman or can affect reproduction capacity. Theophylline should be given to a pregnant woman only if clearly needed.

Nursing Mothers: It has been reported that theophylline distributes readily into breast milk and may cause adverse effects in the infant. Caution must be used if prescribing xanthines to a mother who is nursing, taking into account the risk-benefit of this therapy.

Pediatric Use: Safety and effectiveness in children under six years of age have not been established with this product.

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Respiratory: tachypnea. Renal: albuminuria, increased excretion of renal tubular cells and red blood cells, potentiation of diuretics.

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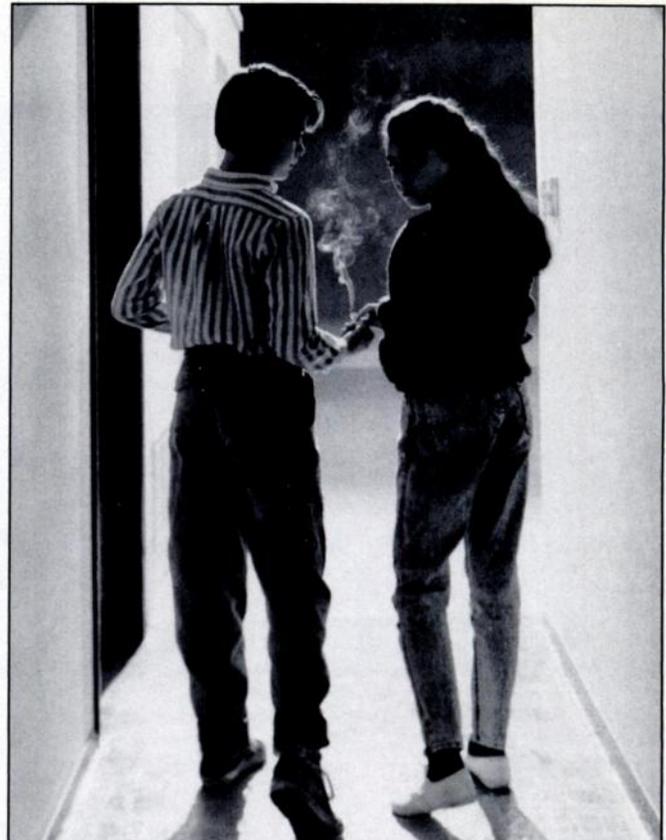
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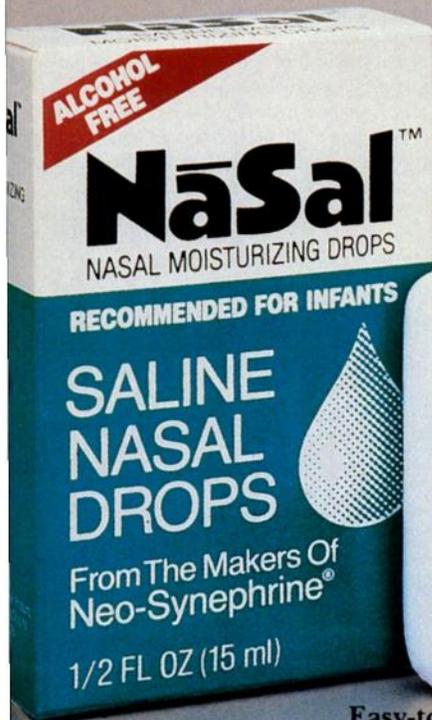
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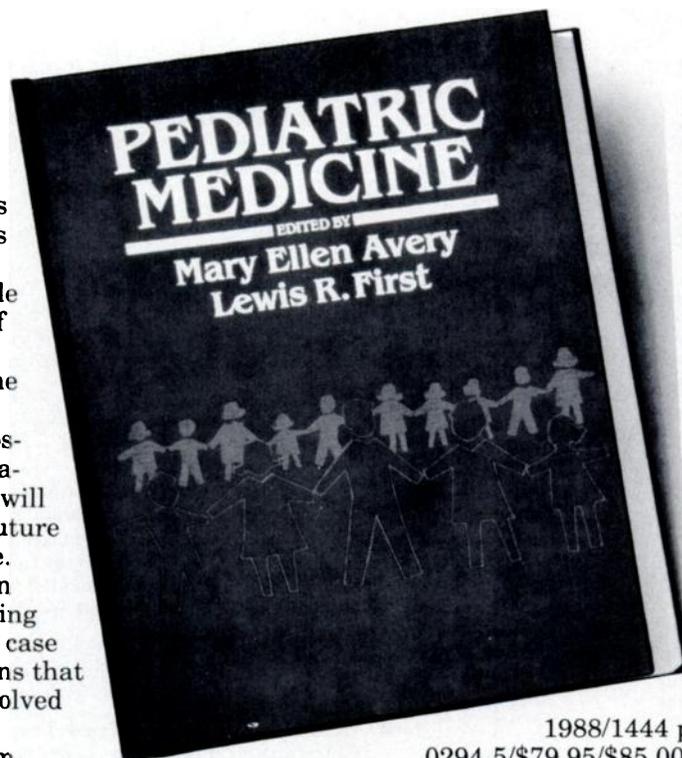
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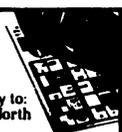
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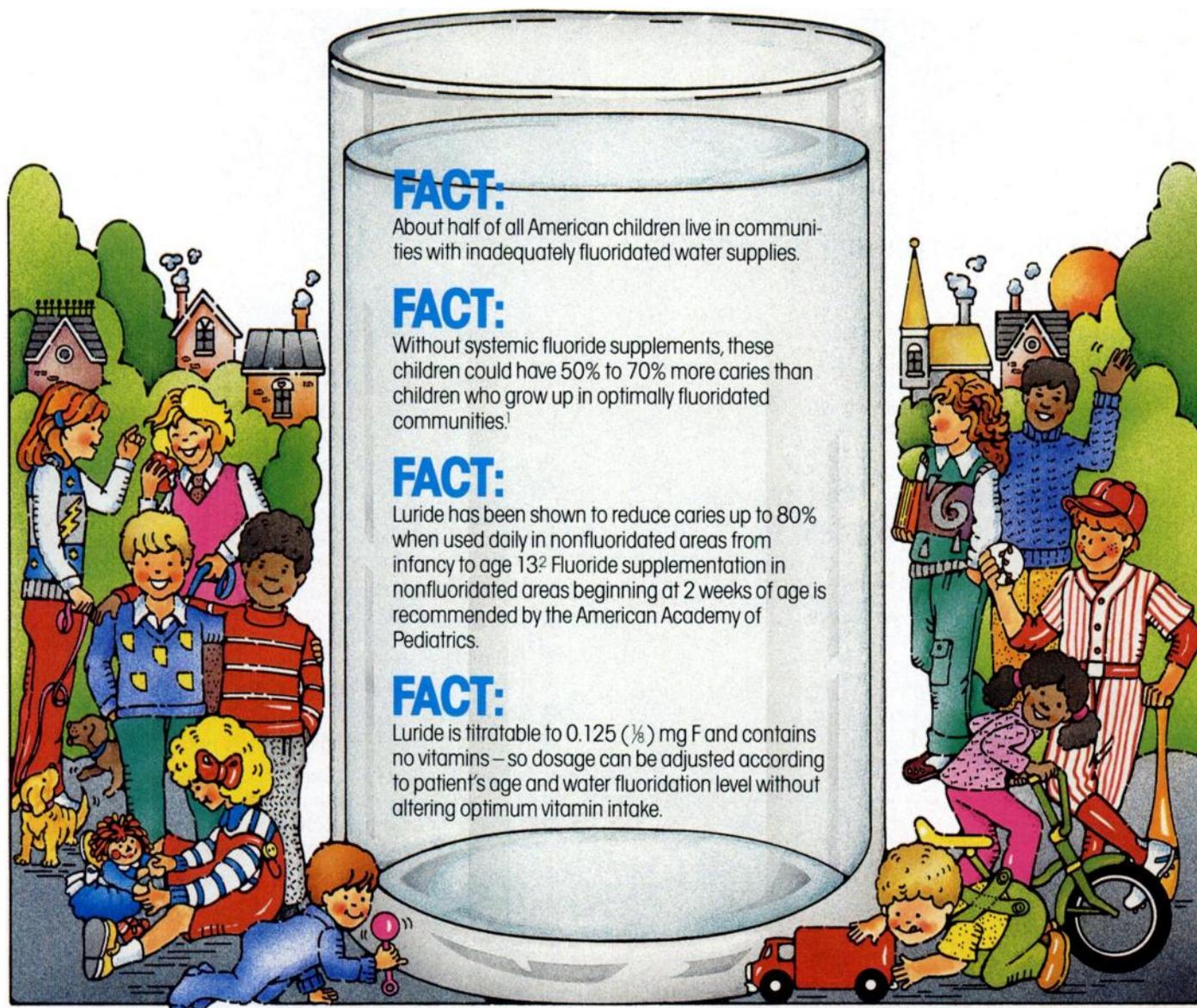
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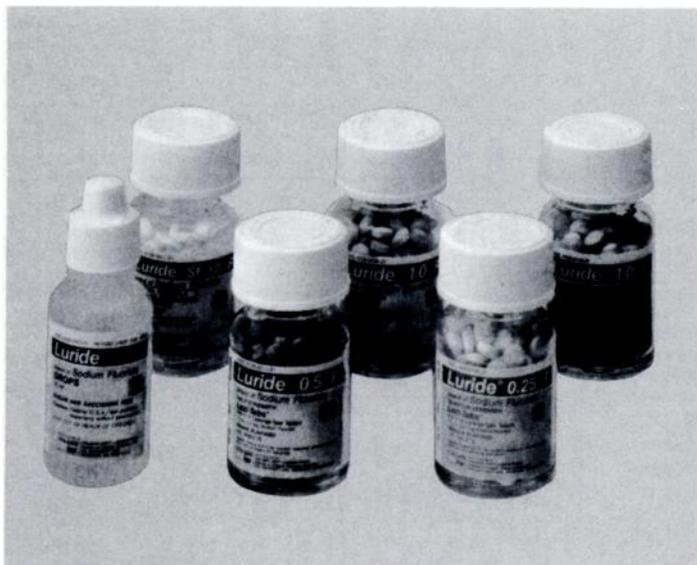


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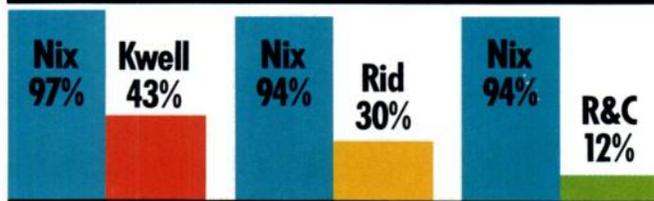
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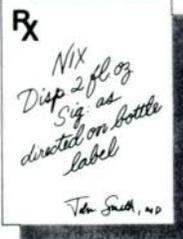


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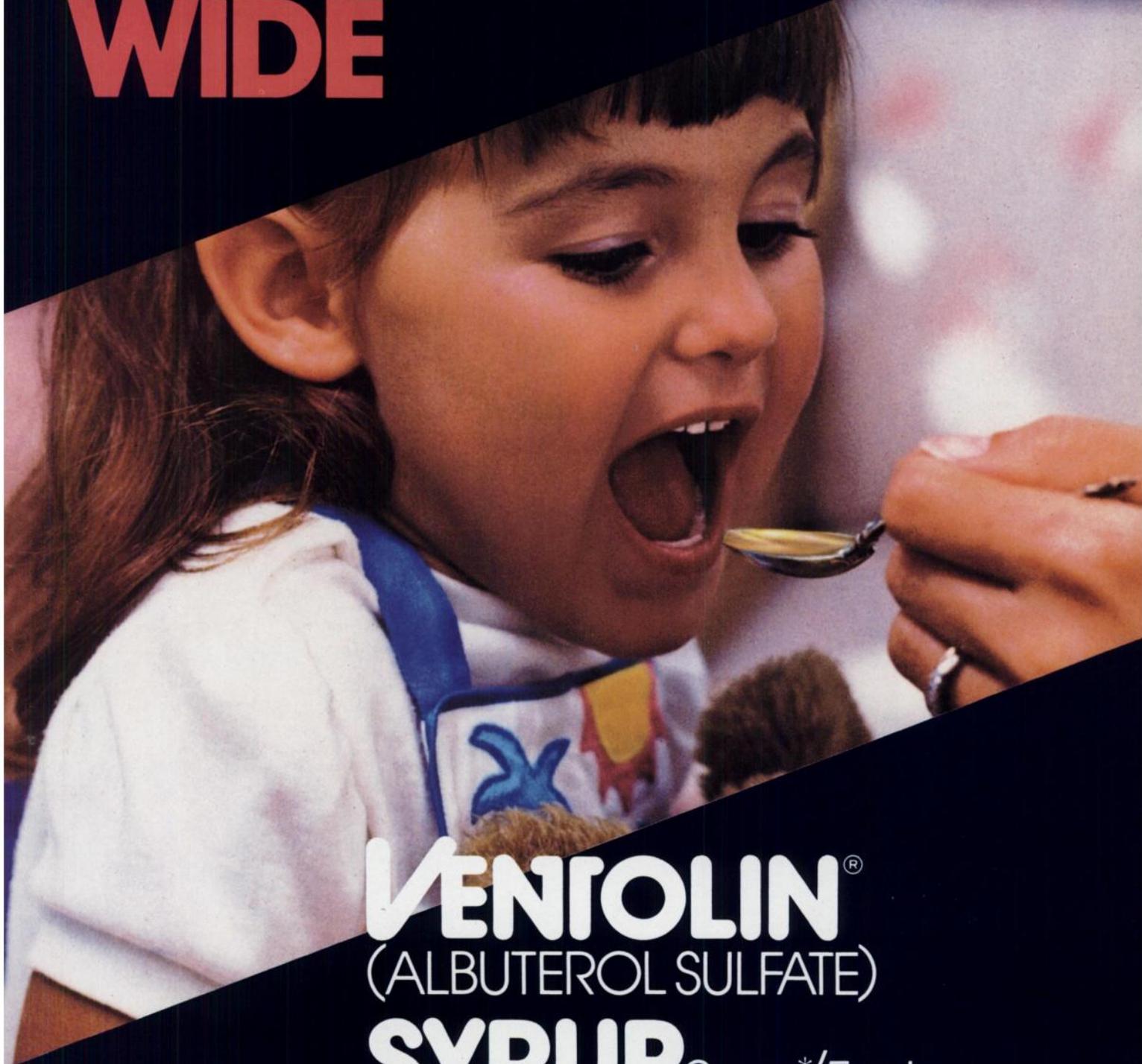


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VENTOLIN[®] Syrup (albuterol sulfate/Glaxo) 2mg*/5ml

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The following is a brief summary only. Before prescribing, see complete prescribing information in VENTOLIN[®] Syrup product labeling.

INDICATIONS AND USAGE: VENTOLIN[®] Syrup is indicated for the relief of bronchospasm in adults and children 2 years of age and older with reversible obstructive airway disease.

CONTRAINDICATIONS: VENTOLIN[®] Syrup is contraindicated in patients with a history of hypersensitivity to any of its components.

PRECAUTIONS: General: Although albuterol usually has minimal effects on the beta₁-adrenoceptors of the cardiovascular system at the recommended dosage, occasionally the usual cardiovascular and CNS stimulatory effects common to all sympathomimetic agents have been seen with patients treated with albuterol, necessitating discontinuation. Therefore, albuterol should be used with caution in patients with cardiovascular disorders, including coronary insufficiency and hypertension, in patients with hyperthyroidism or diabetes mellitus, and in patients who are unusually responsive to sympathomimetic amines.

Large doses of intravenous albuterol have been reported to aggravate pre-existing diabetes mellitus and ketoacidosis. Additionally, albuterol and other beta₂-agonists given intravenously may cause a decrease in serum potassium, possibly through intracellular shunting. The decrease is usually transient, not requiring supplementation. The relevance of these observations to the use of VENTOLIN[®] Syrup is unknown.

Information for Patients: The action of VENTOLIN Syrup may last up to six hours, and therefore it should not be taken more frequently than recommended. Do not increase the dose or frequency of medication without medical consultation. If symptoms get worse, medical consultation should be sought promptly.

Drug Interactions: The concomitant use of VENTOLIN Syrup and other oral sympathomimetic agents is not recommended since such combined use may lead to deleterious cardiovascular effects. This recommendation does not preclude the judicious use of an aerosol bronchodilator of the adrenergic stimulant type in patients receiving VENTOLIN Syrup. Such concomitant use, however, should be individualized and not given on a routine basis. If regular coadministration is required, then alternative therapy should be considered.

Albuterol should be administered with extreme caution to patients being treated with monoamine oxidase inhibitors or tricyclic antidepressants because the action of albuterol on the vascular system may be potentiated. Beta-receptor blocking agents and albuterol inhibit the effect of each other.

Carcinogenesis, Mutagenesis, Impairment of Fertility: Albuterol sulfate, like other agents in its class, caused a significant dose-related increase in the incidence of benign leiomyomas of the mesovarium in a two-year study in the rat, at doses corresponding to 2, 9, and 46 times the maximum human (child weighing 21 kg) oral dose. In another study this effect was blocked by the coadministration of propranolol. The relevance of these findings to humans is not known. An 18-month study in mice and a lifetime study in hamsters revealed no evidence of tumorigenicity. Studies with albuterol revealed no evidence of mutagenesis. Reproduction studies in rats revealed no evidence of impaired fertility.

Pregnancy, Teratogenic Effects: Pregnancy Category C: Albuterol has been shown to be teratogenic in mice when given subcutaneously in doses corresponding to 0.2 times the maximum human (child weighing 21 kg) oral dose.

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There are no adequate and well-controlled studies in pregnant women. Albuterol should be used during pregnancy only if the potential benefit justifies the potential risk to the fetus. A reproduction study in CD-1 mice with albuterol showed cleft palate formation in 5 of 111 (4.5%) fetuses at 0.25 mg/kg and in 10 of 108 (9.3%) fetuses at 2.5 mg/kg. None was observed at 0.025 mg/kg. Cleft palate also occurred in 22 of 72 (30.5%) fetuses treated with 2.5 mg/kg isoproterenol (positive control). A reproduction study in Stride Dutch rabbits revealed cranioschisis in 7 of 19 (37%) fetuses at 50 mg/kg, corresponding to 46 times the maximum human (child weighing 21 kg) oral dose of albuterol sulfate.

Labor and Delivery: Oral albuterol has been shown to delay preterm labor in some reports. There are presently no well-controlled studies that demonstrate that it will stop preterm labor or prevent labor at term. Therefore, cautious use of VENTOLIN[®] (albuterol sulfate/Glaxo) Syrup is required in pregnant patients when given for relief of bronchospasm so as to avoid interference with uterine contractility. Use in such patients should be restricted to those patients in whom the benefits clearly outweigh the risks.

Nursing Mothers: It is not known whether this drug is excreted in human milk. Because of the potential for tumorigenicity shown for albuterol in animal studies, a decision should be made whether to discontinue nursing or to discontinue the drug, taking into account the importance of the drug to the mother.

Pediatric Use: Safety and effectiveness in children below 2 years of age have not yet been adequately demonstrated.

ADVERSE REACTIONS: The adverse reactions to albuterol are similar to other sympathomimetic agents. The most frequent adverse reactions in adults and older children were tremor (10 of 100 patients); nervousness and shakiness (9 of 100); headache (4 of 100); dizziness and increased appetite (3 of 100); hyperactivity and excitement (2 of 100); and tachycardia, epistaxis, and sleeplessness (1 of 100). The following adverse effects each occurred in less than 1 of 100 patients: muscle spasm, disturbed sleep, epigastric pain, cough, palpitations, stomachache, irritable behavior, dilated pupils, sweating, chest pain, and weakness.

In young children 2 to 6 years of age, some adverse reactions were noted more frequently than in adults and older children. These include excitement (in 20% of patients); nervousness (15%); hyperkinesia (4%); insomnia, tachycardia, and gastrointestinal symptoms (2%); and anorexia, emotional lability, pallor, fatigue, and conjunctivitis (1%).

In addition, albuterol, like other sympathomimetic agents, can cause hypertension, angina, vomiting, vertigo, central nervous system stimulation, unusual taste, and drying or irritation of the oropharynx.

The reactions are generally transient in nature, and it is usually not necessary to discontinue treatment with VENTOLIN[®] (albuterol sulfate/Glaxo) Syrup. In selected cases, however, dosage may be reduced temporarily; after the reaction has subsided, dosage should be increased in small increments to the optimal dosage.

OVERDOSAGE: Information concerning possible overdose and its treatment appears in the full prescribing information.

HOW SUPPLIED: VENTOLIN[®] Syrup, a clear, orange-yellow liquid with a strawberry flavor, contains 2 mg of albuterol as the sulfate per 5 ml in bottles of 16 fluid ounces (one pint) (NDC 0173-0351-54).

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CONTRAINDICATIONS: ACLOVATETM Cream and Ointment are contraindicated in patients who are hypersensitive to acclometasone dipropionate, to other corticosteroids, or to any ingredient in these preparations.

PRECAUTIONS: General: Systemic absorption of topical corticosteroids has resulted in reversible hypothalamic-pituitary-adrenal (HPA) axis suppression, manifestations of Cushing's syndrome, hyperglycemia, and glucosuria in some patients.

Conditions that augment systemic absorption include the application of the more potent steroids, use over large surface areas, prolonged use, and the addition of occlusive dressings.

Children may absorb proportionally larger amounts of topical corticosteroids and thus be more susceptible to systemic toxicity (see PRECAUTIONS, Pediatric Use).

If irritation develops, topical corticosteroids should be discontinued and appropriate therapy instituted.

In the presence of dermatologic infections, the use of an appropriate antifungal or antibacterial agent should be instituted. If a favorable response does not occur promptly, the corticosteroid should be discontinued until the infection has been adequately controlled.

Information for Patients: Patients using ACLOVATETM should receive the following information and instructions:

1. This medication is to be used as directed by the physician. It is for external use only. Avoid contact with the eyes.
2. Patients should be advised not to use this medication for any disorder other than that for which it was prescribed.
3. The treated skin area should not be bandaged or otherwise covered or wrapped as to be occlusive unless directed by the physician.
4. Patients should report any signs of local adverse reactions, especially under occlusive dressing.
5. Parents of pediatric patients should be advised not to use tight-fitting diapers or plastic pants on a child being treated in the diaper area, as these garments may constitute occlusive dressings.

Laboratory Tests: Although ACLOVATETM Cream and Ointment were shown not to produce HPA axis suppression, the following tests may be helpful in evaluating if HPA axis suppression does occur:

Urinary free cortisol test
ACTH stimulation test

Carcinogenesis, Mutagenesis, Impairment of Fertility: Long-term animal studies have not been performed to evaluate the carcinogenic potential or the effect on fertility of topical corticosteroids.

Studies to determine mutagenicity with prednisolone have revealed negative results.

Pregnancy: Teratogenic Effects: Pregnancy Category C: Corticosteroids are generally teratogenic in laboratory animals when administered systemically at relatively low dosage levels. The more potent corticosteroids have been shown to be teratogenic in animals after dermal application.

There are no adequate and well-controlled studies of the teratogenic effects of topically applied corticosteroids in pregnant women. Therefore, topical corticosteroids should be used during pregnancy only if the potential benefit justifies the potential risk to the fetus. Drugs of this class should not be used extensively on pregnant patients in large amounts or for prolonged periods of time.

Nursing Mothers: It is not known whether topical administration of corticosteroids could result in sufficient systemic absorption to produce detectable quantities in breast milk. Systemically administered corticosteroids are secreted into breast milk in quantities not likely to have a deleterious effect on the infant. Nevertheless, caution should be exercised when topical corticosteroids are prescribed for a nursing woman.

Pediatric Use: Pediatric patients may demonstrate greater susceptibility to topical corticosteroid-induced HPA axis suppression and Cushing's syndrome than mature patients because of a larger skin surface area to body weight ratio.

HPA axis suppression, Cushing's syndrome, and intracranial hypertension have been reported in children receiving topical corticosteroids. Manifestations of adrenal suppression in children include linear growth retardation, delayed weight gain, low plasma cortisol levels, and absence of response to ACTH stimulation. Manifestations of intracranial hypertension include bulging fontanelles, headaches, and bilateral papilledema.

Administration of topical corticosteroids to children should be limited to the least amount compatible with an effective therapeutic regimen. Chronic corticosteroid therapy may interfere with the growth and development of children.

ADVERSE REACTIONS: The following local adverse reactions have been reported with ACLOVATETM Cream: itching occurred in about 2 per 100 patients; burning, erythema, dryness, irritation, and papular rashes occurred in about 1 per 100 patients.

The following local adverse reactions have been reported with ACLOVATETM Ointment: itching or burning, 1 per 200 patients; and erythema, 2 per 1,000 patients.

The following local adverse reactions have been reported with topical dermatologic corticosteroids, especially under occlusive dressings: burning, itching, irritation, dryness, folliculitis, hypertrichosis, acneiform eruptions, hypopigmentation, perioral dermatitis, allergic contact dermatitis, maceration of the skin, secondary infections, skin atrophy, striae, and milium.

OVERDOSAGE: Topically applied ACLOVATETM can be absorbed in sufficient amounts to produce systemic effects (see PRECAUTIONS).

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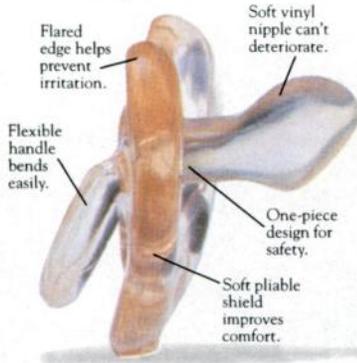
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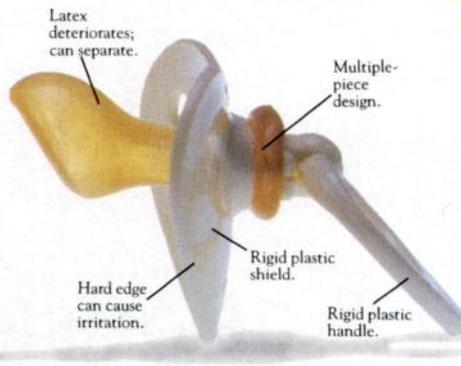


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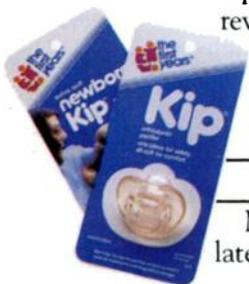
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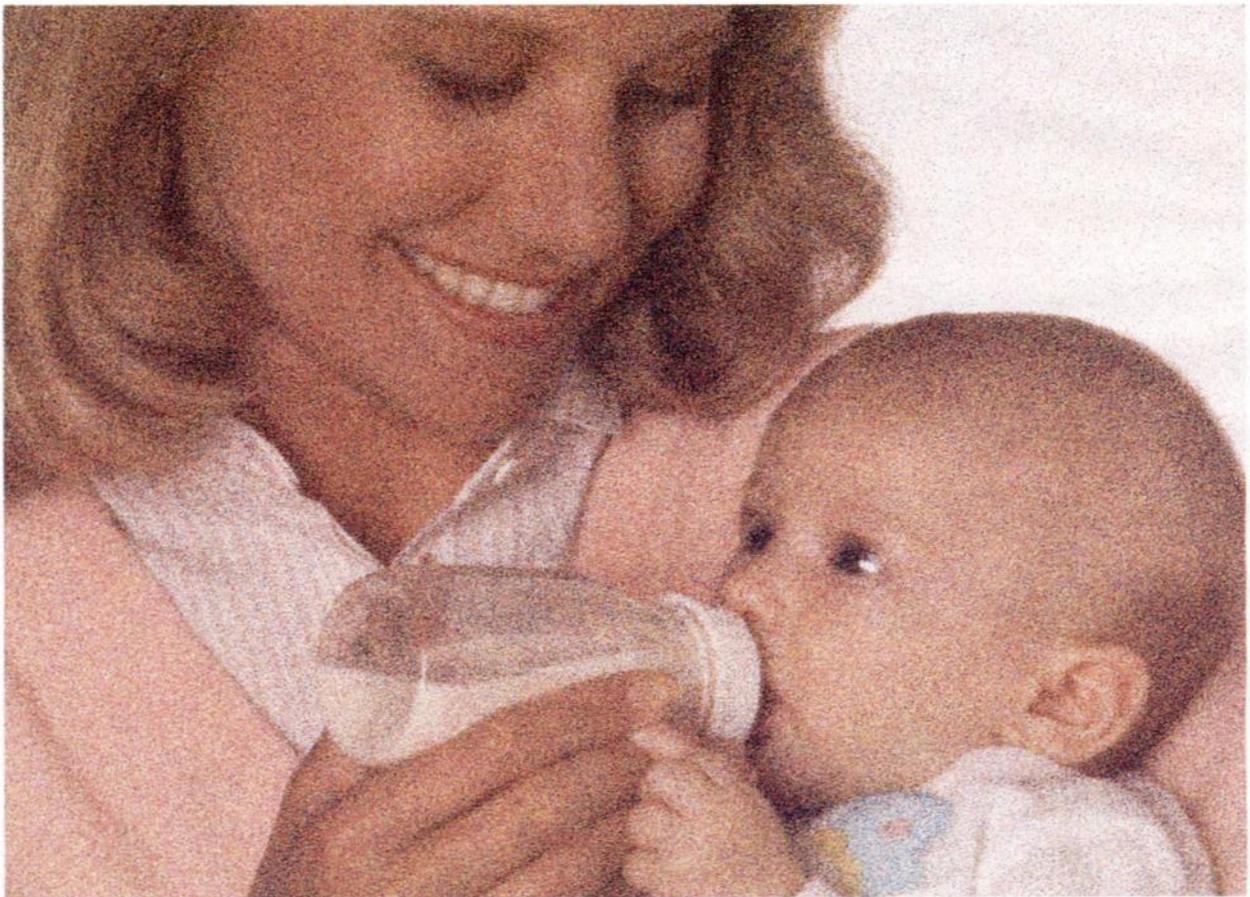
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Polyunsaturated-to-saturated ratio is similar to breast milk:

GOOD START H.A. P/S ratio = 0.31

Breast milk P/S ratio = 0.28–0.35*

Carbohydrate content is 70% lactose (the *only* carbohydrate in breast milk), for better absorption of calcium, magnesium, and zinc:

30% of the carbohydrate content is maltodextrin, which is easily digested and helps keep osmolarity low to protect against osmotic diarrhea

NOTE: GOOD START H.A. should not be used for infants with galactosemia.

*Varies with individual.



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Introduction to GOOD START H.A.™

Cow's milk intolerance is relatively common in infants^{1,2} and soy protein intolerance is becoming increasingly recognized.^{3,4} GOOD START H.A. was developed to meet the needs of infants with intolerance to either protein source.

The hypoallergenicity of GOOD START H.A. is effected by heat treatment and enzyme hydrolysis of whey protein. This process alters the protein structure and size, which reduces the potentially allergenic whey protein to controlled-length peptides, while still preserving the nutritional qualities of whey. The average peptide length is only 5.6 amino acids, with an average molecular weight of 638 daltons. By contrast, soy protein is a mixture of variously sized protein chains that range in weight from 8,000 to 600,000 daltons.⁵

Small peptide size is indicative of low potential for allergenicity, but it is not an absolute indicator. Therefore, Carnation has verified the hypoallergenicity of the GOOD START H.A. formulation by use of animal sensitization and challenge tests and highly sensitive radioimmunoassays to identify specific antigens.⁶

Each batch of GOOD START H.A. infant formula is evaluated for hypoallergenicity by electrophoresis and double immunodiffusion to assure that the peptide profile is hypoallergenic. Before processing, the whey protein source contains 12% potentially allergenic material. In GOOD START H.A., the maximum allowed per batch is less than 0.1%.

The following general summary includes the nutritional profile of GOOD START H.A. and an overview of the major clinical studies.

GOOD START H.A. is available, as an easy-to-dissolve powder, in 12-oz cans.

The Nutritional Profile of GOOD START H.A.™

GOOD START H.A. is nutritionally complete for routine infant feeding. Its hypoallergenicity and sensory characteristics make it an appropriate dietary regimen to resolve symptoms of formula intolerance and to prevent symptoms in infants at high risk due to family history of allergy.

The energy distribution in GOOD START H.A. infant formula is very similar to that in breast milk; 9.8% of total energy is derived from protein, 46% from fat, and 44.2% from carbohydrate.

Protein

One hundred percent of the protein in GOOD START H.A. comes from whey which is high in essential amino acids, and is a higher quality protein than soy- or casein. The amino acid profile of GOOD START H.A. is close to that of breast milk.

The hypoallergenicity of GOOD START H.A. is created by heat treatment and enzyme modification of whey protein, and is verified in animal challenge studies and radioimmunoassays of the formulation.

Because the heating time required in the production of GOOD START H.A. is very short, the formula retains milk-like attributes in appearance, taste, and aroma. No curd formation and rapid gastric emptying, similar to that of breast-fed infants, make GOOD START H.A. easy to digest.

Fat

The 100% vegetable fat blend in GOOD START H.A. is composed of 60% palm olein, 22% high-oleic safflower oil, and 18% coconut oil. Only the high *oleic* varieties of palm and safflower oil, which are high in monounsaturated fatty acids, are added to GOOD START H.A. The polyunsaturated-to-saturated fat ratio in GOOD START H.A. is 0.31, close to the range found in breast milk, which is approximately 0.28. When reconstituted, the fat content of GOOD START H.A. (3.7 g/100 mL) is close to the average fat content in breast milk (3.8 g/100 mL).

Carbohydrate

The carbohydrate content of GOOD START H.A. formula is 70% lactose and 30% maltodextrin. The lactose component of the hydrolyzed whey is retained because it is the carbohydrate of breast milk, and it promotes absorption of important minerals, especially calcium, magnesium, and zinc. This is important for long-term and routine feeding. The addition of maltodextrin (complex carbohydrate) to GOOD START H.A. helps maintain low osmolarity to protect against osmotic diarrhea.

New information is emerging about lactose in diets of infants with diarrhea. In one study,⁷ 40 infants with chronic diarrhea and soy intolerance were given formulas containing one of three carbohydrate sources. Improvement in stool frequency and volume was observed in 86% of the infants who received the formula containing lactose, compared with 20% and 19% who improved in the group fed formulas containing maltodextrin or sucrose, respectively. In the same study, no improvement had been noted with a lactose-free hydrolyzed casein formula. Another study⁸ assessed the difference in recovery times in 85 infants with mild acute gastroenteritis (more than six watery stools per day for 1 week or longer) who received formulas with lactose, sucrose, poly- or sucrose/poly- or sucrose as the carbohydrate source. Results showed most infants recovered from mild gastroenteritis irrespective of the carbohydrate ingested.

The American Academy of Pediatrics Committee on Nutrition⁹ summarizes the situation. In discussing the treatment of enteritis the AAP states, "The current data do not suggest that lactose should be routinely eliminated from the diet of infants recovering from diarrhea, although some experienced clinicians make this recommendation."

Infants with galactosemia, a rare congenital condition, should not be given lactose-containing formulas.

Vitamins and Minerals

GOOD START H.A.TM Hypoallergenic Infant Formula includes all known necessary vitamins in conformance with the recommendations of the Committee on Nutrition of the American Academy of Pediatrics. Unlike soy formulas, GOOD START H.A. contains no phytates, which can inhibit absorption of iron, copper, and zinc.

The major minerals and important nutrient ratios of GOOD START H.A. and breast milk are shown in the Table below.

Table. Major Minerals and Important Nutrient Ratios: GOOD START H.A. and Breast Milk

Mineral	GOOD START H.A., mg/100 mL	Breast Milk, mg/100 mL
Sodium	16.0	15.0
Potassium	66.0	60.0
Chloride	39.0	43.0
Calcium	43.0	35.0
Phosphorus	24.0	15.0
Magnesium	4.5	2.8
Iron	1.0	*
Ratios		
Ca/P	1.8	2.3
Na/K	0.41	0.42
Na+K/Cl	2.05	2.0

*Variable and difficult to measure; usually low content, but with high bioavailability.

Other Characteristics of GOOD START H.A.TM

The osmolality of GOOD START H.A. is typically 265 mosm/kg water compared with 300 mosm/kg water for breast milk. The renal solute load (100.6 mosm/L) is also similar to that of breast milk (79 mosm/L).

The pleasant taste, appearance, and aroma of GOOD START H.A. may enhance parental compliance.

A practical advantage of GOOD START H.A. is that the powder dissolves quickly and completely in warm water.

CLINICAL STUDIES OF GOOD START H.A.TM

Clinical studies of the GOOD START H.A. formulation show:

- Symptoms of intolerance to cow's milk formulas are resolved¹⁰
- In infants at high risk of allergy due to family history, atopic symptoms of allergy

occur far less frequently¹⁰ than the published incidences of symptoms with cow's milk or soy-based formulas^{1,3,11}

- Optimal growth and development
- Stools are similar to those of breast-fed infants

Prevention of Atopy in High-Risk Infants

Seventy-five infants with one or both atopic parents or siblings were included in a study by Vandenplas et al.¹⁰ Figure 1 indicates the nutritional feeding protocol given to the five groups of infants for the first 4 months and the number of infants with allergic symptoms. No infants had atopic symptoms while being fed GOOD START H.A. This included the group of four infants that had atopic symptoms from a 2-month cow's milk

formula protocol before switching to the GOOD START H.A. protocol. Because six infants who previously had no reactions while being fed GOOD START H.A. subsequently had reactions to cow's milk formula, the investigators conclude that the GOOD START H.A. formulation both resolves and may prevent the appearance of allergic symptoms in atopic infants.

	Protocol		Reaction Rates		
	Birth	2 mo	4mo		
I	GOOD START H.A.	Cow's Milk Formula	GOOD START H.A.	0% 0/15	P=.02
			Cow's Milk Formula	40% 6/15	
II	Cow's Milk Formula	GOOD START H.A.	Cow's Milk Formula	27% 4/15	P=.07
			GOOD START H.A.	0% 0/15	
III	Breast Milk		Breast Milk	7% 1/15*	
IV	Cow's Milk Formula		Cow's Milk Formula	53% 8/15†	P<.01
V	GOOD START H.A.		GOOD START H.A.	0% 0/15	

Adapted from Vandenplas et al.¹⁰
*Maternal diet affects allergenicity of breast milk.
†When these eight were given GOOD START H.A., symptoms subsided.

Figure 1. Comparison of allergic reaction rates in infants at risk of food allergy due to family history (N=75).¹⁰

Lack of Sensitization in Atopic Infants

Because brief exposure of an atopic infant to cow's milk can sensitize the infant to milk, Schmidt et al.¹² evaluated three different feeding phases in a study of 45 infants at high risk of allergy due to positive family histories: (1) supplementation with the GOOD START H.A. formulation in the nursery until full lactation was achieved (from birth to

approximately day 5 of life); breast-feeding for the first 4 to 6 months; (2) GOOD START H.A. reintroduced and breast-feeding discontinued for at least 1 month; (3) switch to cow's milk formula following GOOD START H.A. (under clinical supervision) at 6 to 7 months of age.

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When the GOOD START H.A. formulation was reintroduced after discontinuation of breast-feeding, there were no noticeable signs of intolerance or allergy

as would have been expected with cow's milk formula in these atopic infants. In fact, when the infants were switched to the cow's milk formula following

GOOD START H.A., three had symptoms after the first feeding (two had slight transient erythema; one had diarrhea) (Fig 2).

Forty-five Infants During Three Feeding Phases

	PHASE I	PHASE II	PHASE III
Feeding	BREAST MILK (GOOD START H.A. used as supplement first 5 days)	GOOD START H.A.	COW'S MILK FORMULA
Duration	4-6 months	1 month	1 month
Age	Birth to 4-6 months	4-6 months	6-7 months
No. of infants with symptoms	0	0	3 (2 transient erythema,* 1 diarrhea)

Figure 2. Results of switching to GOOD START H.A. after breast-feeding, then switching to cow's milk formula. (N=45 "at-risk" newborns).¹²

*May be due to maternal intake of cow's milk protein.

Resolution of Allergy Symptoms

Kahn et al¹³ studied the sleeping patterns of 71 infants fed either GOOD START H.A. or cow's milk formula. The infants were put into four groups: (I) 20 with insomnia and suspected cow's milk allergy; (IIa) 18 infants who were "poor sleepers" and had skin and gastrointestinal symptoms attributed to cow's milk allergy; (IIb) 13 infants with skin and gastrointestinal symptoms and normal sleep patterns; and

(III) 20 normal controls—infants with neither symptoms of allergy nor sleep disruption.

After 4 weeks of feeding, those fed with the GOOD START H.A. formulation slept much longer than those fed cow's milk formula. The duration of sleep in Groups I and II, fed GOOD START H.A., almost increased to the equivalent sleep time of the control group (Fig 3).

Complement to Breast-feeding

Zabransky and Zabransky¹⁴ studied 162 healthy, mature newborn infants who received the GOOD START H.A. formulation as a supplement in the nursery for several days until breast-feeding was established. The infants readily accepted GOOD START H.A., and their weight development was reported to be better than when glucose solutions were used to supplement breast-feeding during the first days. GOOD START H.A. was continued as a complement to breast-feeding for 53 of the infants because they had family histories of allergy. No allergic reactions were seen.

In another study, Passian¹⁵ evaluated 91 infants who were only breast-fed or breast-fed and fed GOOD START H.A. (47) or who received only the GOOD START H.A. formulation (44). Weight progression during the first six days of life was similar in the two groups. Stools of the infants who received GOOD START H.A. were soft to watery, as if breast-fed exclusively.

Duration of Sleep (hours per day)	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Group I 20 infants with insomnia and colic	Cow's Milk Formula							6.1								
	GOOD START H.A.												12.9			
Group IIa 18 "poor sleepers" with eczema or asthma	Cow's Milk Formula							7.4								
	GOOD START H.A.												14.3			
Group IIb 13 "good sleepers" with eczema and colic	Cow's Milk Formula											12.5				
	GOOD START H.A.											13.3				
Group III 20 normal controls	Cow's Milk Formula														14.4	

Figure 3. Comparison of sleep patterns when infants were fed GOOD START H.A. vs. cow's milk formula.¹³

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Complete Nutritional Information

INGREDIENTS: 42% ENZYMATICALLY HYDROLYZED REDUCED MINERALS WHEY AND WHEY PROTEIN CONCENTRATE, 24% VEGETABLE OILS (PALM OLEIN, HIGH-OLEIC SAFFLOWER AND COCONUT), 17% MALTODEXTRIN, 14% LACTOSE, 1% LECITHIN, AND LESS THAN 1% OF EACH OF THE FOLLOWING: CALCIUM CHLORIDE, POTASSIUM CHLORIDE, POTASSIUM CITRATE, CALCIUM PHOSPHATE, CHOLINE BITARTRATE, SODIUM ASCORBATE (VITAMIN C), SALT, MAGNESIUM CHLORIDE, TAURINE, FERROUS SULFATE (IRON), INOSITOL, ZINC SULFATE, L-CARNITINE, ALPHA TOCOPHERYL ACETATE (VITAMIN E), NIACINAMIDE, CALCIUM PANTOTHENATE, COPPER SULFATE, RIBOFLAVIN, VITAMIN A ACETATE, PYRIDOXINE HYDROCHLORIDE (VITAMIN B6), THIAMINE MONONITRATE, FOLIC ACID, PHYLOQUINONE (VITAMIN K), POTASSIUM IODIDE, VITAMIN D3, MANGANESE SULFATE, BIOTIN, VITAMIN B12.

NOTE: CONTAINS LACTOSE

5 FL OZ PROVIDES 100 CALORIES, PREPARED AS DIRECTED.

	Per 100 Calories	Caloric Distribution		Per 100 Calories
NUTRIENTS:				
PROTEIN	2.4 g	9.8%	VITAMIN C (Ascorbic Acid)	8 mg
FAT	5.1 g	46.0%	CHOLINE	12 mg
CARBOHYDRATE	11 g	44.2%	INOSITOL	6.1 mg
WATER	135 g		MINERALS:	
LINOLEIC ACID	450 mg		CALCIUM	64 mg
VITAMINS:				
VITAMIN A	300 IU		PHOSPHORUS	36 mg
VITAMIN D	60 IU		MAGNESIUM	6.7 mg
VITAMIN E	1.2 IU		IRON	1.5 mg*
VITAMIN K	8.2 mcg		ZINC	0.75 mg
THIAMINE (Vitamin B1)	60 mcg		MANGANESE	7 mcg
RIBOFLAVIN (Vitamin B2)	135 mcg		COPPER	80 mcg
VITAMIN B6	75 mcg		IODINE	8 mcg
VITAMIN B12	0.22 mcg		SODIUM	24 mg
NIACIN	750 mcg		POTASSIUM	98 mg
FOLIC ACID (Folacin)	9 mcg		CHLORIDE	59 mg
PANTOTHENIC ACID	450 mcg		OTHERS:	
BIOTIN	2.2 mcg		L-CARNITINE	10 mg/qt
			TAURINE	50 mg/qt

*The addition of iron to this formula conforms to the recommendation of the Committee on Nutrition of the American Academy of Pediatrics.

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Summary

GOOD START H.A., the nutritionally complete, hypoallergenic infant formula with 100% whey protein:

- resolves symptoms of formula intolerance
- may prevent allergy symptoms in infants at high risk due to family history
- each batch is tested by two different methods to verify hypoallergenicity
- thoroughly researched in clinical trials and safely fed to more than 25,000 infants over the past 3 years in Europe
- is easily digestible—no curd formation in the stomach and a gastric emptying rate similar to that of breast milk
- has a vegetable fat blend with fat content similar to that of breast milk
- combines lactose and maltodextrin carbohydrates for enhanced absorption of calcium, magnesium, and zinc; appropriate osmolarity for optimal tolerance
- has pleasant taste, appearance, and aroma that may enhance parental compliance
- contains only low-molecular-weight hypoallergenic peptides; soy formulas contain potentially allergenic proteins
- in susceptible infants, symptoms of allergy occur far less frequently than the published incidences of symptoms with soy-based formulas

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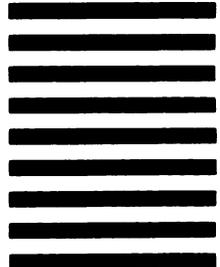


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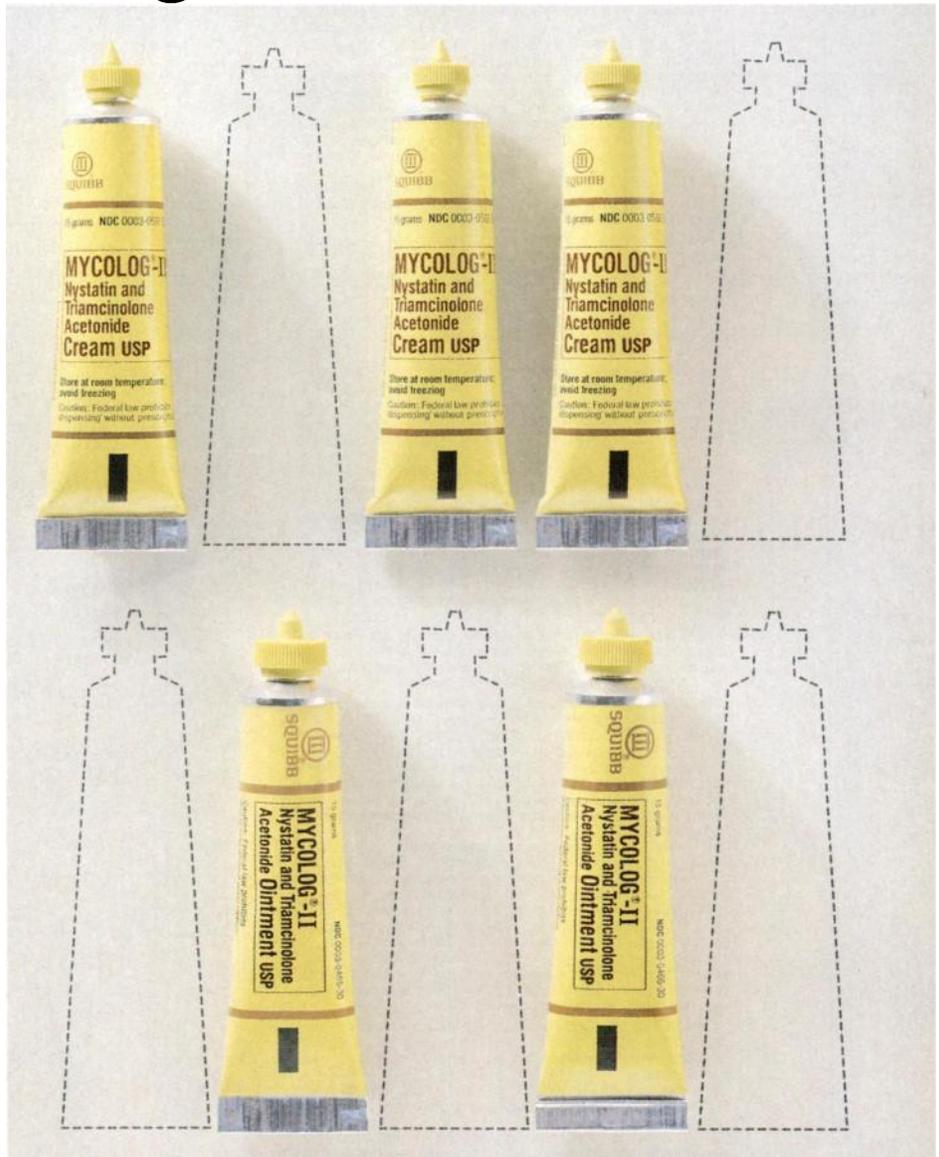
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PRECAUTIONS: General—Systemic absorption of topical corticosteroids has produced reversible hypothalamic-pituitary-adrenal (HPA) axis suppression, manifestations of Cushing's syndrome, hyperglycemia, and glucosuria in some patients.

Conditions that augment systemic absorption include application of the more potent steroids, use over large surface areas, prolonged use, and the addition of occlusive dressings.

Therefore, patients receiving a large dose of any potent topical steroid applied to a large surface area should be evaluated periodically for evidence of HPA axis suppression by using the urinary free cortisol and ACTH stimulation tests, and for impairment of thermal homeostasis. If HPA axis suppression or elevation of the body temperature occurs, an attempt should be made to withdraw the drug, to reduce the frequency of application, or to substitute a less potent steroid.

Recovery of HPA axis function and thermal homeostasis are generally prompt and complete upon discontinuation of the drug. Infrequently, signs and symptoms of steroid withdrawal may occur, requiring supplemental systemic corticosteroids.

Children may absorb proportionally larger amounts of topical corticosteroids and thus be more susceptible to systemic toxicity (see PRECAUTIONS, Pediatric Use).

If irritation or hypersensitivity develops with the combination nystatin and triamcinolone acetonide, treatment should be discontinued and appropriate therapy instituted.

Laboratory Tests—If there is a lack of therapeutic response, appropriate microbiological studies (e.g., KOH smears and/or cultures) should be repeated to confirm the diagnosis and rule out other pathogens, before instituting another course of therapy.

A urinary free cortisol test and ACTH stimulation test may be helpful in evaluating hypothalamic-pituitary-adrenal (HPA) axis suppression due to corticosteroid.

Carcinogenesis, Mutagenesis, and Impairment of Fertility—Long-term animal studies have not been performed to evaluate carcinogenic or mutagenic potential, or possible impairment of fertility in males or females.

Pregnancy Category C—There are no teratogenic studies with combined nystatin and triamcinolone acetonide. Corticosteroids are generally teratogenic in laboratory animals when administered systemically at relatively low dosage levels. The more potent corticosteroids have been shown to be teratogenic after dermal application in laboratory animals. Therefore, any topical corticosteroid preparation should be used during pregnancy only if the potential benefit justifies the potential risk to the fetus.

Topical preparations containing corticosteroids should not be used extensively on pregnant patients, in large amounts, or for prolonged periods of time.

Nursing Mothers—It is not known whether any component of this preparation is excreted in human milk. Because many drugs are excreted in human milk, caution should be exercised during use of this preparation by a nursing woman.

Pediatric Use—In clinical studies of a limited number of pediatric patients ranging in age from two months through 12 years, nystatin-triamcinolone cream formulation cleared or significantly ameliorated the disease state in most patients.

Pediatric patients may demonstrate greater susceptibility to topical corticosteroid-induced hypothalamic-pituitary-adrenal (HPA) axis suppression and Cushing's syndrome than mature patients because of a larger skin surface area to body weight ratio.

HPA axis suppression, Cushing's syndrome, and intracranial hypertension have been reported in children receiving topical corticosteroids. Manifestations of adrenal suppression in children include linear growth retardation, delayed weight gain, low plasma cortisol levels, and absence of response to ACTH stimulation. Manifestations of intracranial hypertension include bulging fontanelles, headaches, and bilateral papilledema.

Administration of topical corticosteroids to children should be limited to the least amount compatible with an effective therapeutic regimen. Chronic corticosteroid therapy may interfere with the growth and development of children.

ADVERSE REACTIONS: A single case (approximately one percent of patients studied) of acneiform eruption occurred with use of combined nystatin and triamcinolone acetonide in clinical studies.

Nystatin is virtually nontoxic and nonsensitizing and is well tolerated by all age groups, even during prolonged use. Rarely, irritation may occur.

The following local adverse reactions are reported infrequently with topical corticosteroids (reactions are listed in an approximate decreasing order of occurrence): burning, itching, irritation, dryness, folliculitis, hypertrichosis, acneiform eruptions, hypopigmentation, perioral dermatitis, allergic contact dermatitis, maceration of the skin, secondary infection, skin atrophy, striae, and miliaria.

OVERDOSAGE: Topically applied corticosteroids can be absorbed in sufficient amounts to produce systemic effects (see PRECAUTIONS, General); however, acute overdosage and serious adverse effects with dermatologic use are unlikely.

DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION: The use of these preparations should be discontinued if symptoms persist after 25 days of therapy (see PRECAUTIONS, Laboratory Tests). MYCOLOG-II Cream and Ointment should not be used with occlusive dressings.

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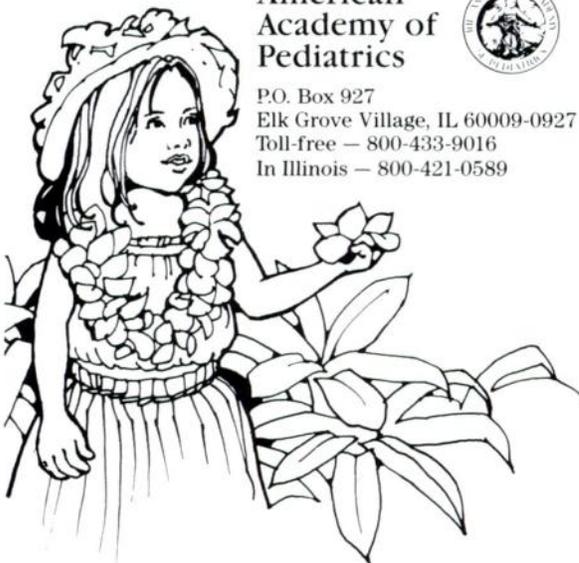
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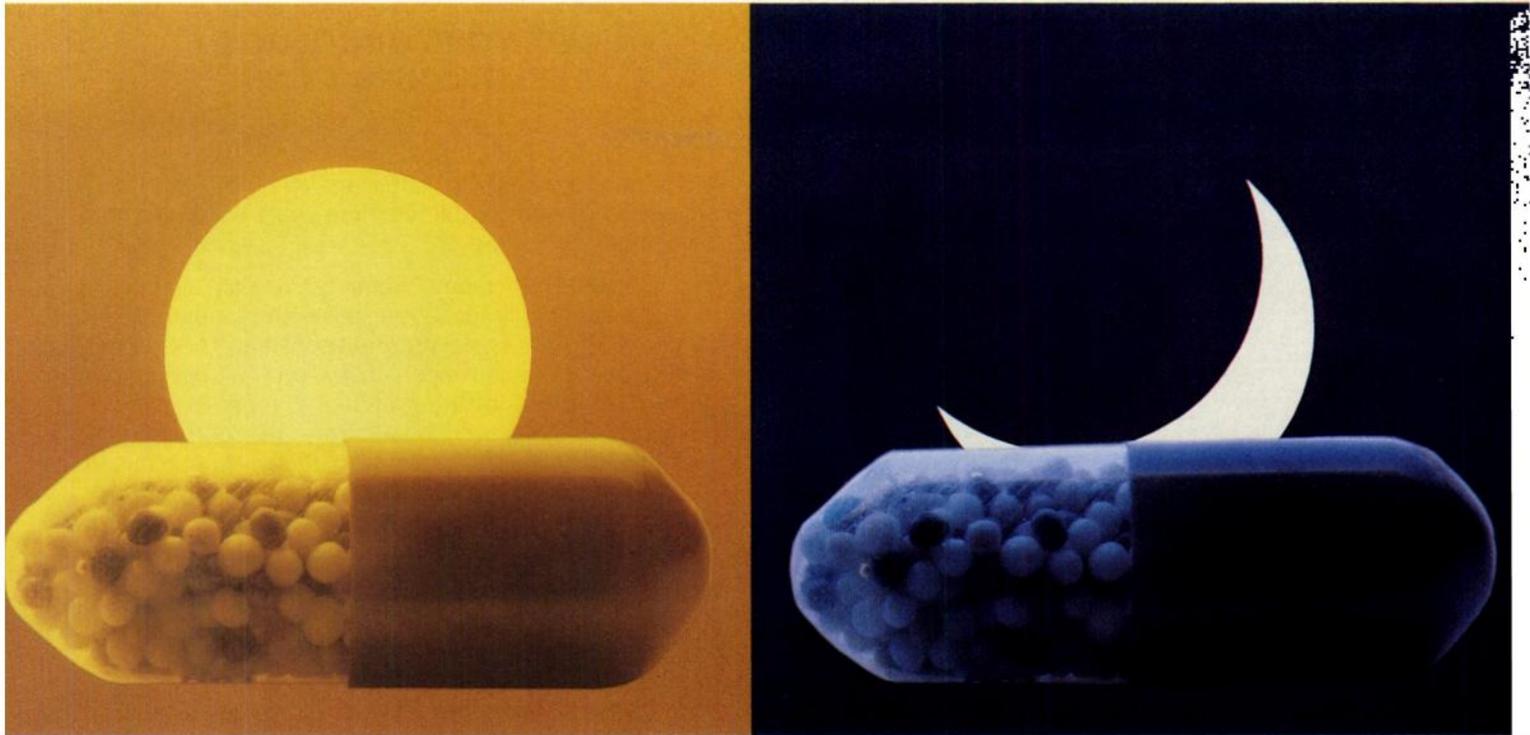
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CONTRAINDICATIONS Temaril (trimeprazine tartrate) is contraindicated: in comatose patients; in patients who have received large amounts of central nervous system depressants (alcohol, barbiturates, narcotics, etc.); in patients with bone marrow depression; in patients who have demonstrated an idiosyncrasy or hypersensitivity to Temaril or other phenothiazines; in newborn or premature children; and in nursing mothers. It should not be used in children who are acutely ill and/or dehydrated, as there is an increased susceptibility to dystonias in such patients.

WARNINGS Temaril (trimeprazine tartrate) may impair the mental and/or physical ability required for the performance of potentially hazardous tasks, such as driving a vehicle or operating machinery. Similarly, it may impair mental alertness in children. The concomitant use of alcohol or other central nervous system depressants may have an additive effect. Patients should be warned accordingly.

Temaril should be used with extreme caution in patients with:

- Asthmatic attack
- Narrow-angle glaucoma
- Prostatic hypertrophy
- Stenosing peptic ulcer
- Pyloroduodenal obstruction
- Bladder neck obstruction
- Patients receiving monoamine oxidase inhibitors

Usage in Pregnancy: The safe use of Temaril has not been established with respect to the possible adverse effects upon fetal development. Therefore, it should not be used in women of childbearing potential. Jaundice and prolonged extrapyramidal symptoms have been reported in infants whose mothers received phenothiazines during pregnancy.

Usage in Children: Temaril should be used with caution in children who have a history of sleep apnea or a family history of sudden infant death syndrome (SIDS). It should also be used with caution in young children, in whom it may cause excitation.

Overdosage may produce hallucinations, convulsions and sudden death.

Usage in Elderly Patients (60 years or older): Elderly patients are more prone to develop the following side effects from phenothiazines:

- Hypotension
- Syncope
- Toxic confusional states
- Extrapyramidal symptoms, especially parkinsonism
- Excessive sedation

PRECAUTIONS Temaril (trimeprazine tartrate) may significantly affect the actions of other drugs. It may increase, prolong or intensify the sedative action of central nervous system depressants such as anesthetics, barbiturates or alcohol. When Temaril is administered concomitantly the dose of a narcotic or barbiturate should be reduced to 1/4 or 1/2 the usual amount. In the patient with pain, receiving treatment with narcotics, excessive amounts of Temaril may lead to restlessness and motor hyperactivity. Temaril can block and even reverse the usual pressor effect of epinephrine.

Temaril should be used cautiously in persons with acute or chronic respiratory impairment, particularly children, as it may suppress the cough reflex.

This drug should be used cautiously in persons with cardiovascular disease, impairment of liver function, or those with a history of ulcer disease.

Since Temaril has a slight antiemetic action, it may obscure signs of intestinal obstruction, brain tumor, or overdosage of toxic drugs.

Phenothiazines have been shown to elevate prolactin levels; the elevation persists during chronic administration. Tissue culture experiments indicate that approximately one-third of human breast cancers are prolactin-dependent in vitro, a factor of potential importance if the prescribing of these drugs is contemplated in a patient with a previously detected breast cancer. Although disturbances such as galactorrhea, amenorrhea, gynecomasia, and impotence have been reported, the clinical significance of elevated serum prolactin levels is unknown for most patients. An increase in mammary neoplasms has been found in rodents after chronic administration of neuroleptic drugs. Neither clinical

nor epidemiologic studies conducted to date, however, have shown an association between chronic administration of these drugs and mammary tumorigenesis; the available evidence is considered too limited to be conclusive at this time.

Drugs which lower the seizure threshold, including phenothiazine derivatives, should not be used with Ampaque®. Temaril should be discontinued at least 48 hours before myelography, should not be resumed for at least 24 hours postprocedure, and should not be used for the control of nausea and vomiting occurring either prior to myelography or postprocedure.

ADVERSE REACTIONS Temaril (trimeprazine tartrate) may produce adverse reactions attributable to both phenothiazine and antihistamines.

Note: Not all of the following adverse reactions have been reported with Temaril (trimeprazine tartrate); however, pharmacological similarities among the phenothiazine derivatives require that each be considered when Temaril is administered. There have been occasional reports of sudden death in patients receiving phenothiazine derivatives chronically.

C.N.S. Effects: Drowsiness is the most common C.N.S. effect of this drug. Extrapyramidal reactions (opisthotonos, dystonia, akathisia, dyskinesia, parkinsonism) occur, particularly with high doses. (See Overdosage section for management of extrapyramidal symptoms). Hyperreflexia has been reported in the newborn when a phenothiazine was used during pregnancy. Other reported reactions include dizziness, headache, lassitude, tinnitus, incoordination, fatigue, blurred vision, euphoria, diplopia, nervousness, insomnia, tremors and grand mal seizures, excitation, cataton-like states, neuritis and hysteria, oculogyric crises, disturbing dreams/nightmares, pseudoschizophrenia, and intensification and prolongation of C.N.S. depressants (opiates, analgesics, antihistamines, barbiturates, alcohol), atropine, heat, organophosphorus insecticides.

Cardiovascular Effects: Postural hypotension is the most common cardiovascular effect of phenothiazines. Reflex tachycardia may be seen. Bradycardia, faintness, dizziness and cardiac arrest have been reported. ECG changes, including blunting of T waves and prolongation of the Q-T interval, may be seen.

Gastrointestinal: Anorexia, nausea, vomiting, epigastric distress, diarrhea, constipation, and dry mouth may occur. Increased appetite and weight gain have also been reported.

Genitourinary: Urinary frequency and dysuria, urinary retention, early menses, induced lactation, gynecomasia, decreased libido, inhibition of ejaculation and false positive pregnancy tests have been reported.

Respiratory: Thickening of bronchial secretions, tightness of the chest, wheezing and nasal stuffiness may occur.

Allergic Reactions: These include urticaria, dermatitis, asthma, laryngeal edema, angioneurotic edema, photosensitivity, lupus erythematosus-like syndrome and anaphylactoid reactions.

Other Reported Reaction: Leukopenia, agranulocytosis, pancytopenia, hemolytic anemia, elevation of plasma cholesterol levels and thrombocytopenic purpura have been reported. Jaundice of the obstructive type has also been reported; it is usually reversible but chronic jaundice has been reported. Erythema, peripheral edema, and stomatitis have been reported. High or prolonged glucose tolerance curves, glycosuria, elevated spinal fluid proteins and reversed epinephrine effects may also occur.

Rare occurrences of neuroleptic malignant syndrome (NMS) have been reported in patients receiving phenothiazines. This syndrome is comprised of the symptom complex of hyperthermia, altered consciousness, muscular rigidity and autonomic dysfunction and is potentially fatal.

Long-Term Therapy Considerations: After prolonged phenothiazine administration at high dosage, pigmentation of the skin has occurred, chiefly in the exposed areas. Ocular changes consist of the appearance of lenticular and corneal opacities, epithelial keratopathies and pigmentary retinopathy. Vision may be impaired.

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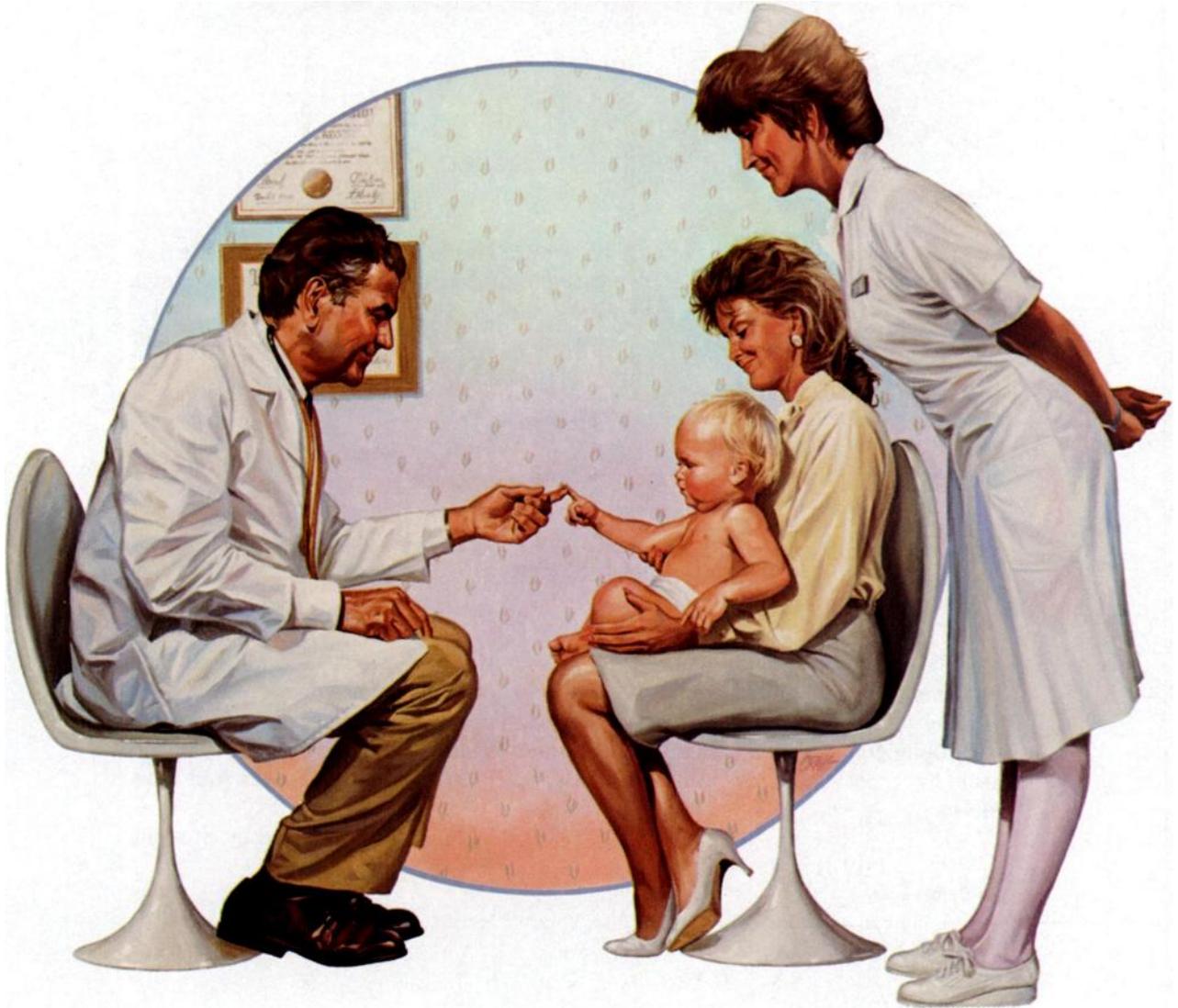


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Brief Summary INDICATIONS AND USAGE

Treatment

Claforan is indicated for the treatment of patients with serious infections caused by susceptible strains of the designated microorganisms in the diseases listed below.

(1) **Lower respiratory tract infections**, including pneumonia, caused by *Streptococcus pneumoniae* (formerly *Diplococcus pneumoniae*), *Streptococcus pyogenes*† (Group A streptococci) and other streptococci (excluding enterococci, e.g., *Streptococcus faecalis*), *Staphylococcus aureus* (penicillinase and non-penicillinase producing), *Escherichia coli*, *Klebsiella* species, *Haemophilus influenzae* (including ampicillin-resistant strains), *Haemophilus parainfluenzae*, *Proteus mirabilis*, *Serratia marcescens*†, *Enterobacter* species, indole-positive *Proteus* and *Pseudomonas* species (including *P. aeruginosa*).

(2) **Genitourinary infections**. Urinary tract infections caused by *Enterococcus* species, *Staphylococcus epidermidis*, *Staphylococcus aureus*† (penicillinase and non-penicillinase producing), *Citrobacter* species, *Enterobacter* species, *Escherichia coli*, *Klebsiella* species, *Proteus mirabilis*, *Proteus vulgaris*†, *Proteus inconstans* Group B, *Morganella morganii*†, *Providencia rettgeri*†, *Serratia marcescens*, and *Pseudomonas* species (including *P. aeruginosa*). Also, uncomplicated gonorrhea of single or multiple sites caused by *Neisseria gonorrhoeae*, including penicillinase producing strains.

(3) **Gynecologic infections**, including pelvic inflammatory disease, endometritis and pelvic cellulitis caused by *Staphylococcus epidermidis*, *Streptococcus species*, *Enterococcus species*, *Enterobacter species*†, *Klebsiella species*†, *Escherichia coli*, *Proteus mirabilis*, *Bacteroides* species (including *Bacteroides fragilis*†), *Clostridium* species, anaerobic cocci (including *Peptostreptococcus* species and *Peptococcus* species) and *Fusobacterium* species (including *F. nucleatum*†).

(4) **Bacteremia/Septicemia** caused by *Escherichia coli*, *Klebsiella* species, *Serratia marcescens*, *Staphylococcus aureus*, and *Streptococcus* species (including *S. pneumoniae*).

(5) **Skin and skin structure infections** caused by *Staphylococcus aureus* (penicillinase and non-penicillinase producing), *Staphylococcus epidermidis*, *Streptococcus pyogenes* (Group A streptococci) and other streptococci, *Enterococcus* species, *Acinetobacter* species†, *Escherichia coli*, *Citrobacter* species (including *C. freundii*†), *Enterobacter* species, *Klebsiella* species, *Proteus mirabilis*, *Proteus vulgaris*†, *Morganella morganii*, *Providencia rettgeri*†, *Pseudomonas* species, *Serratia marcescens*, *Bacteroides* species, and anaerobic cocci (including *Peptostreptococcus*† species and *Peptococcus* species).

(6) **Intra-abdominal infections** including peritonitis caused by *Streptococcus species*†, *Escherichia coli*, *Klebsiella* species, *Bacteroides* species, anaerobic cocci (including *Peptostreptococcus*†, *Escherichia species* and *Peptococcus*† species), *Proteus mirabilis*†, and *Clostridium* species†.

(7) **Bone and/or joint infections** caused by *Staphylococcus aureus* (penicillinase and non-penicillinase producing strains), *Streptococcus species* (including *S. pyogenes*†), *Pseudomonas* species (including *P. aeruginosa*†), and *Proteus mirabilis*†.

(8) **Central nervous system infections**, e.g., meningitis and ventriculitis, caused by *Neisseria meningitidis*, *Haemophilus influenzae*, *Streptococcus pneumoniae*, *Klebsiella pneumoniae*†, and *Escherichia coli*†.

† Efficacy for this organism, in this organ system, has been studied in fewer than 10 infections.

Although many strains of enterococci (e.g., *S. faecalis*) and *Pseudomonas* species are resistant to cefotaxime sodium *in vitro*, Claforan has been used successfully in treating patients with infections caused by susceptible organisms.

Specimens for bacteriologic cultures should be obtained prior to therapy in order to isolate and identify causative organisms and to determine their susceptibilities to Claforan. Therapy may be instituted before results of susceptibility studies are known; however, once these results become available, the antibiotic treatment should be adjusted accordingly.

Prevention

The administration of Claforan preoperatively reduces the incidence of certain infections in patients undergoing surgical procedures (e.g., abdominal or vaginal hysterectomy, gastrointestinal and genitourinary tract surgery) that may be classified as contaminated or potentially contaminated.

In patients undergoing cesarean section, intraoperative (after clamping the umbilical cord) and postoperative use of Claforan may also reduce the incidence of certain postoperative infections. (See **DOSE AND ADMINISTRATION** section.)

Effective use for elective surgery depends on the time of administration. To achieve effective tissue levels, Claforan should be given 1/2 to 1 1/2 hours before surgery. (See **DOSE AND ADMINISTRATION** section.)

For patients undergoing gastrointestinal surgery, preoperative bowel preparation by mechanical cleansing as well as with a non-absorbable antibiotic (e.g., neomycin) is recommended.

If there are signs of infection, specimens for culture should be obtained for identification of the causative organism so that appropriate therapy may be instituted.

CONTRAINDICATIONS

Claforan is contraindicated in patients who have shown hypersensitivity to cefotaxime sodium or the cephalosporin group of antibiotics.

WARNINGS

BEFORE THERAPY WITH CLAFORAN IS INSTITUTED, CAREFUL INQUIRY SHOULD BE MADE TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE PATIENT HAS HAD PREVIOUS HYPERSENSITIVITY REACTIONS TO CEFOTAXIME SODIUM, CEPHALOSPORINS, PENICILLINS, OR OTHER DRUGS. THIS PRODUCT SHOULD BE GIVEN WITH CAUTION TO PATIENTS WITH TYPE I HYPERSENSITIVITY REACTIONS TO PENICILLIN. ANTIBIOTICS SHOULD BE ADMINISTERED WITH CAUTION TO ANY PATIENT WHO HAS DEMONSTRATED SOME FORM OF ALLERGY, PARTICULARLY TO DRUGS. IF AN ALLERGIC REACTION TO CLAFORAN OCCURS, DISCONTINUE TREATMENT WITH THE DRUG. SERIOUS HYPERSENSITIVITY REACTIONS MAY REQUIRE EPINEPHRINE AND OTHER EMERGENCY MEASURES.

Pseudomembranous colitis has been reported with the use of cephalosporins (and other broad spectrum antibiotics); therefore, it is important to consider its diagnosis in patients who develop diarrhea in association with antibiotic use.

Treatment with broad spectrum antibiotics alters normal flora of the colon and may permit overgrowth of clostridia. Studies indicate a toxin produced by *Clostridium difficile* is one primary cause of antibiotic-associated colitis. Cholestyramine and colestipol resins have been shown to bind the toxin *in vitro*.

Mild cases of colitis may respond to drug discontinuance alone.

Moderate to severe cases should be managed with fluid, electrolyte, and protein supplementation as indicated.

When the colitis is not relieved by drug discontinuance or when it is severe, oral vancomycin is the treatment of choice for antibiotic-associated pseudomembranous colitis produced by *C. difficile*. Other causes of colitis should also be considered.

PRECAUTIONS

Claforan[®] (cefotaxime sodium) should be prescribed with caution in individuals with a history of gastrointestinal disease, particularly colitis.

Claforan has not been shown to be nephrotoxic; however, because high and prolonged serum antibiotic concentrations can occur from usual doses in patients with transient or persistent reduction of urinary output because of renal insufficiency, the total daily dosage should be reduced when Claforan is administered to such patients. Continued dosage should be determined by degree of renal impairment, severity of infection, and susceptibility of the causative organism.

Although there is no clinical evidence supporting the necessity of changing the dosage of cefotaxime sodium in patients with even profound renal dysfunction, it is suggested that, until further data are obtained, the dose of cefotaxime sodium be halved in patients with estimated creatinine clearances of less than 20 mL/min/1.73 m².

When only serum creatinine is available, the following formula (based on sex, weight, and age of the patient) may be used to convert this value into creatinine clearance. The serum creatinine should represent a steady state of renal function.

$$\text{Males: } \frac{\text{Weight (kg)} \times (140 - \text{age})}{72 \times \text{serum creatinine}}$$

$$\text{Females: } 0.85 \times \text{above value}$$

As with other antibiotics, prolonged use of Claforan may result in overgrowth of nonsusceptible organisms. Repeated evaluation of the patient's condition is essential. If superinfection occurs during therapy, appropriate measures should be taken.

Drug Interactions: Increased nephrotoxicity has been reported following concomitant administration of cephalosporins and aminoglycoside antibiotics.

Carcinogenesis, Mutagenesis: Long-term studies in animals have not been performed to evaluate carcinogenic potential. Mutagenic tests included a micronucleus and an Ames test. Both tests were negative for mutagenic effects.

Pregnancy (Category B): Reproduction studies have been performed in mice and rats at doses up to 30 times the usual human dose and have revealed no evidence of impaired fertility or harm to the fetus because of cefotaxime sodium. However, there are no well-controlled studies in pregnant women. Because animal reproductive studies are not always predictive of human response, this drug should be used during pregnancy only if clearly needed.

Neonatal/Infant Effects: Use of the drug in women of childbearing potential requires that the anticipated benefit be weighed against the possible risks.

In perinatal and postnatal studies with rats, the pups in the group given 1200 mg/kg of Claforan were significantly lighter in weight at birth and remained smaller than pups in the control group during the 21 days of nursing.

Nursing Mothers: Claforan is excreted in human milk in low concentrations. Caution should be exercised when Claforan is administered to a nursing woman.

ADVERSE REACTIONS

Claforan is generally well tolerated. The most common adverse reactions have been local reactions following IM or IV injection. Other adverse reactions have been encountered infrequently.

The most frequent adverse reactions (greater than 1%) are:

Local (4.3%)—Injection site inflammation with IV administration. Pain, induration, and tenderness after IM injection.

Hypersensitivity (2.4%)—Rash, pruritus, fever, and eosinophilia.

Gastrointestinal (1.4%)—Colitis, diarrhea, nausea, and vomiting.

Symptoms of pseudomembranous colitis can appear during or after antibiotic treatment. Nausea and vomiting have been reported rarely.

Less frequent adverse reactions (less than 1%) are:

Hemic and Lymphatic System—Granulocytopenia, transient leukopenia, eosinophilia, neutropenia, and thrombocytopenia have been reported. Some individuals have developed positive direct Coombs Tests during treatment with the cephalosporin antibiotics.

Genitourinary System—Moniliasis, vaginitis.

Central Nervous System—Headache.

Liver—Transient elevations in SGOT, SGPT, serum LDH, and serum alkaline phosphatase levels have been reported.

Kidney—As with some other cephalosporins, transient elevations of BUN have been occasionally observed with Claforan.

DOSE AND ADMINISTRATION

Adults

Dosage and route of administration should be determined by susceptibility of the causative organisms, severity of the infection, and the condition of the patient (see table for dosage guidelines). Claforan may be administered IM or IV after reconstitution. Premixed Claforan Injection is intended for IV administration after thawing. The maximum daily dosage should not exceed 12 grams.

Type of Infection	GUIDELINES FOR DOSAGE OF CLAFORAN	
	Daily Dose (grams)	Frequency and Route
Gonorrhea	1	1 gram IM (single dose)
Uncomplicated infections	2	1 gram every 12 hours IM or IV
Moderate to severe infections	3-6	1-2 grams every 8 hours IM or IV
Infections commonly needing antibiotics in higher dosage (e.g., septicemia)	6-8	2 grams every 6-8 hours IV
Life-threatening infections	up to 12	2 grams every 4 hours IV

To prevent postoperative infection in contaminated or potentially contaminated surgery, the recommended dose is a single 1 gram IM or IV administered 30 to 90 minutes prior to start of surgery.

Cesarean Section Patients

The first dose of 1 gram is administered intravenously as soon as the umbilical cord is clamped. The second and third doses should be given as 1 gram intravenously or intramuscularly at 6 and 12 hours after the first dose.

Neonates, Infants, and Children

The following dosage schedule is recommended:

Neonates (birth to 1 month):	
0-1 week of age	50 mg/kg IV q12h
1-4 weeks of age	50 mg/kg IV q8h

It is not necessary to differentiate between premature and normal gestational age infants.

Infants and Children (1 month to 12 years): For body weights less than 50 kg, the recommended daily dose is 50 to 180 mg/kg IM or IV of body weight divided into four to six equal doses. The higher dosages should be used for more severe or serious infections, including meningitis. For body weights 50 kg or more, the usual adult dosage should be used; the maximum daily dosage should not exceed 12 grams.

Impaired Renal Function—see **PRECAUTIONS** section.

NOTE: As with antibiotic therapy in general, administration of Claforan should be continued for a minimum of 48 to 72 hours after the patient defervesces or after evidence of bacterial eradication has been obtained; a minimum of 10 days of treatment is recommended for infections caused by Group A beta-hemolytic streptococci in order to guard against the risk of rheumatic fever or glomerulonephritis; frequent bacteriologic and clinical appraisal is necessary during therapy of chronic urinary tract infection and may be required for several months after therapy has been completed; persistent infections may require treatment of several weeks and doses smaller than those indicated above should not be used.

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Large doses of intravenous albuterol have been reported to aggravate preexisting diabetes mellitus and ketoacidosis. Additionally, albuterol and other beta-agonists, when given intravenously, may cause a decrease in serum potassium, possibly through intracellular shunting. The decrease is usually transient, not requiring supplementation. The relevance of these observations to the use of PROVENTIL Syrup is unknown.

Information for Patients: The action of PROVENTIL Syrup may last up to six hours and therefore it should not be taken more frequently than recommended. Do not increase the dose or frequency of medication without medical consultation. If symptoms get worse, medical consultation should be sought promptly.

Drug Interactions: The concomitant use of PROVENTIL Syrup and other oral sympathomimetic agents is not recommended since such combined use may lead to deleterious cardiovascular effects. This recommendation does not preclude the judicious use of an aerosol bronchodilator of the adrenergic stimulant type in patients receiving PROVENTIL Syrup. Such concomitant use, however, should be individualized and not given on a routine basis. If regular coadministration is required, then alternative therapy should be considered.

Albuterol should be administered with extreme caution to patients being treated with monoamine oxidase inhibitors or tricyclic antidepressants, since the action of albuterol on the vascular system may be potentiated. Beta-receptor blocking agents and albuterol inhibit the effect of each other.

Carcinogenesis, Mutagenesis, and Impairment of Fertility: Albuterol sulfate, like other agents in its class, caused a significant dose-related increase in the incidence of benign leiomyomas of the mesovarium in a 2-year study in the rat, at doses corresponding to 2, 9, and 46 times the maximum human (child weighing 21 kg) oral dose. In another study this effect was blocked by the coadministration of propranolol. The relevance of these findings to humans is not known. An 18-month study in mice and a lifetime study in hamsters revealed no evidence of tumorigenicity. Studies with albuterol revealed no evidence of mutagenesis. Reproduction studies in rats revealed no evidence of impaired fertility.

Teratogenic Effects—Pregnancy Category C: Albuterol has been shown to be teratogenic in mice when given subcutaneously in doses corresponding to 0.2 times the maximum human (child weighing 21 kg) oral dose. There are no adequate and well-controlled studies in pregnant women. Albuterol should be used during pregnancy only if the potential benefit justifies the potential risk to the fetus. A reproduction study in CD-1 mice with albuterol showed cleft palate formation in 5 of 111 (4.5%) fetuses at 0.25 mg/kg and in 10 of 108 (9.3%) fetuses at 2.5 mg/kg, none was observed at 0.025 mg/kg. Cleft palate also occurred in 22 of 72 (30.5%) fetuses treated with 2.5 mg/kg isoproterenol (positive control). A reproduction study in Stride Dutch rabbits revealed cranioschisis in 7 of 19 (37%) fetuses at 50 mg/kg, corresponding to 46 times the maximum human (child weighing 21 kg) oral dose of albuterol sulfate.

Labor and Delivery: Oral albuterol has been shown to delay preterm labor in some reports. There are presently no well-controlled studies which demonstrate that it will stop preterm labor or prevent labor at term. Therefore, cautious use of PROVENTIL Syrup is required in pregnant patients when given for relief of bronchospasm so as to avoid interference with uterine contractility. Use in such patients should be restricted to those patients in whom the benefits clearly outweigh the risks.

Nursing Mothers: It is not known whether this drug is excreted in human milk. Because of the potential for tumorigenicity shown for albuterol in animal studies, a decision should be made whether to discontinue nursing or to discontinue the drug, taking into account the importance of the drug to the mother.

Pediatric Use: Safety and effectiveness in children below the age of 2 years have not yet been adequately demonstrated.

ADVERSE REACTIONS The adverse reactions to albuterol are similar in nature to those of other sympathomimetic agents. The most frequent adverse reactions to PROVENTIL Syrup in adults and older children were tremor, 10 of 100 patients; nervousness and shakiness, each 9 of 100 patients. Other reported adverse reactions were headache, 4 of 100 patients; dizziness and increased appetite, each 3 of 100 patients; hyperactivity and excitement, each 2 of 100 patients; tachycardia, epistaxis, irritable behavior, and sleeplessness, each 1 of 100 patients. The following adverse effects occurred in less than 1 of 100 patients each: muscle spasm, disturbed sleep, epigastric pain, cough, palpitations, stomach ache, irritable behavior, dilated pupils, sweating, chest pain, weakness.

In young children 2 to 6 years of age, some adverse reactions were noted more frequently than in adults and older children. Excitement was noted in approximately 20% of patients and nervousness in 15%. Hyperkinesia occurred in 4% of patients, insomnia, tachycardia, and gastrointestinal symptoms in 2% each. Anorexia, emotional lability, pallor, fatigue, and conjunctivitis were seen in 1%.

In addition, albuterol, like other sympathomimetic agents, can cause adverse reactions such as hypertension, angina, vomiting, vertigo, central nervous system stimulation, unusual taste, and drying or irritation of the oropharynx.

The reactions are generally transient in nature, and it is usually not necessary to discontinue treatment with PROVENTIL Syrup. In selected cases, however, dosage may be reduced temporarily; after the reaction has subsided, dosage should be increased in small increments to the optimal dosage.

OVERDOSAGE Manifestations of overdosage include anginal pain, hypertension, hypokalemia, and exaggeration of the effects listed in **ADVERSE REACTIONS**.

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WARNINGS: As with other inhaled beta-adrenergic agonists, VENTOLIN[®] Inhaler can produce paradoxical bronchospasm that can be life-threatening. If it occurs, the preparation should be discontinued immediately and alternative therapy instituted.

Fatalities have been reported in association with excessive use of inhaled sympathomimetic drugs. The exact cause of death is unknown, but cardiac arrest following the unexpected development of a severe acute asthmatic crisis and subsequent hypoxia is suspected.

Immediate hypersensitivity reactions may occur after administration of albuterol inhaler, as demonstrated by rare cases of urticaria, angioedema, rash, bronchospasm, anaphylaxis, and oropharyngeal edema.

The contents of VENTOLIN[®] Inhaler are under pressure. Do not puncture. Do not use or store near heat or open flame. Exposure to temperatures above 120°F may cause bursting. Never throw container into fire or incinerator. Keep out of reach of children.

PRECAUTIONS: General: Albuterol, as with all sympathomimetic amines, should be used with caution in patients with cardiovascular disorders, especially coronary insufficiency, cardiac arrhythmias and hypertension; in patients with convulsive disorders, hyperthyroidism, or diabetes mellitus; and in patients who are unusually responsive to sympathomimetic amines.

Large doses of intravenous albuterol have been reported to aggravate pre-existing diabetes mellitus and ketoacidosis. Additionally, beta-agonists, including albuterol, given intravenously may cause a decrease in serum potassium, possibly through intracellular shunting. The decrease is usually transient, not requiring supplementation. The relevance of these observations to the use of VENTOLIN[®] Inhaler is unknown, since the aerosol dose is much lower than the doses given intravenously.

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Information For Patients: The action of VENTOLIN Inhaler may last up to six hours, and therefore it should not be used more frequently than recommended. Do not increase the number or frequency of doses without medical consultation. If recommended dosage does not provide relief of symptoms or symptoms become worse, seek immediate medical attention. While taking VENTOLIN Inhaler, other inhaled drugs should not be used unless prescribed.

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Drug Interactions: Other sympathomimetic aerosol bronchodilators should not be used concomitantly with albuterol. If additional adrenergic drugs are to be administered by any route, they should be used with caution to avoid deleterious cardiovascular effects.

Albuterol should be administered with extreme caution to patients being treated with monoamine oxidase inhibitors or tricyclic antidepressants because the action of albuterol on the vascular system may be potentiated.

Beta-receptor blocking agents and albuterol inhibit the effect of each other.

BRIEF SUMMARY

Carcinogenesis, Mutagenesis, Impairment of Fertility: Albuterol sulfate, like other agents in its class, caused a significant dose-related increase in the incidence of benign leiomyomas of the mesovarium in a two-year study in the rat, at doses corresponding to 111, 555, and 2,800 times the maximum human inhalational dose. In another study this effect was blocked by the coadministration of propranolol. The relevance of these findings to humans is not known. An 18-month study in mice and a lifetime study in hamsters revealed no evidence of tumorigenicity. Studies with albuterol revealed no evidence of impaired fertility. Reproduction studies in rats revealed no evidence of impaired fertility.

Pregnancy: Teratogenic Effects: Pregnancy Category C: Albuterol has been shown to be teratogenic in mice when given in doses corresponding to 14 times the human dose. There are no adequate and well-controlled studies in pregnant women. Albuterol should be used during pregnancy only if the potential benefit justifies the potential risk to the fetus. A reproduction study in CD-1 mice given albuterol subcutaneously (0.025, 0.25, and 2.5 mg/kg, corresponding to 1.4, 14, and 140 times the maximum human inhalational dose, respectively) showed cleft palate formation in 5 of 111 (4.5%) fetuses at 0.25 mg/kg and in 10 of 108 (9.3%) fetuses at 2.5 mg/kg. None was observed at 0.025 mg/kg. Cleft palate also occurred in 22 of 72 (30.5%) fetuses treated with 2.5 mg/kg isoproterenol (positive control). A reproduction study with oral albuterol in Stride Dutch rabbits revealed cranioschisis in 7 of 19 (37%) fetuses at 50 mg/kg, corresponding to 2,800 times the maximum human inhalational dose of albuterol.

Nursing Mothers: It is not known whether this drug is excreted in human milk. Because of the potential for tumorigenicity shown for albuterol in animal studies, a decision should be made whether to discontinue nursing or to discontinue the drug, taking into account the importance of the drug to the mother.

Pediatric Use: Safety and effectiveness in children below 12 years of age have not been established.

ADVERSE REACTIONS: The adverse reactions to albuterol are similar in nature to reactions to other sympathomimetic agents, although the incidence of certain cardiovascular effects is less with albuterol. A 13-week double-blind study compared albuterol and isoproterenol aerosols in 147 asthmatic patients. The results of this study showed that the incidence of cardiovascular effects was: palpitations, less than 10 per 100 with albuterol and less than 15 per 100 with isoproterenol; tachycardia, 10 per 100 with both albuterol and isoproterenol; and increased blood pressure, less than 5 per 100 with both albuterol and isoproterenol. In the same study, both drugs caused tremor or nausea in less than 15 patients per 100, and dizziness or heartburn in less than 5 per 100 patients. Nervousness occurred in less than 10 per 100 patients receiving albuterol and in less than 15 per 100 patients receiving isoproterenol.

Rare cases of urticaria, angioedema, rash, bronchospasm, and oropharyngeal edema have been reported after the use of inhaled albuterol.

In addition, albuterol, like other sympathomimetic agents, can cause adverse reactions such as hypertension, angina, vomiting, vertigo, central nervous system stimulation, insomnia, headache, unusual taste, and drying or irritation of the oropharynx.

OVERDOSAGE: Information concerning possible overdosage and its treatment appears in the full prescribing information.

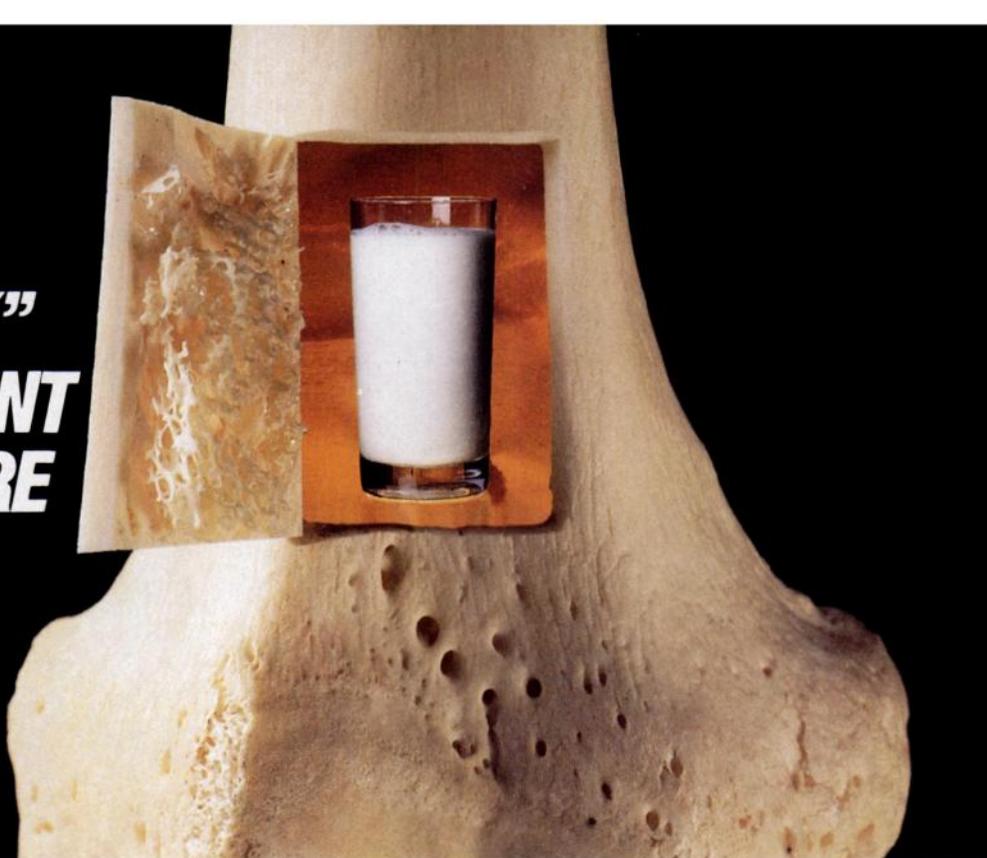
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INDICATION: Zaronin is indicated for the control of absence (petit mal) epilepsy.

CONTRAINDICATION: Ethosuximide should not be used in patients with a history of hypersensitivity to succinimides.

WARNINGS: Blood dyscrasias, including some with fatal outcome, have been reported to be associated with the use of ethosuximide; therefore, periodic blood counts should be performed.

Ethosuximide is capable of producing morphological and functional changes in the animal liver. In humans, abnormal liver and renal function studies have been reported.

Ethosuximide should be administered with extreme caution to patients with known liver or renal disease. Periodic urinalysis and liver function studies are advised for all patients receiving the drug.

Cases of systemic lupus erythematosus have been reported with the use of ethosuximide. The physician should be alert to this possibility.

Usage in Pregnancy: The effects of Zaronin in human pregnancy and nursing infants are unknown.

Recent reports suggest an association between the use of anticonvulsant drugs by women with epilepsy and an elevated incidence of birth defects in children born to these women. Data are more extensive with respect to phenytoin and phenobarbital, but these are also the most commonly prescribed anticonvulsants; less systematic or anecdotal reports suggest a possible similar association with the use of all known anticonvulsant drugs.

The reports suggesting an elevated incidence of birth defects in children of drug-treated epileptic women cannot be regarded as adequate to prove a definite cause and effect relationship. There are intrinsic methodologic problems in obtaining adequate data on drug teratogenicity in humans; the possibility also exists that other factors, eg, genetic factors or the epileptic condition itself, may be more important than drug therapy in leading to birth defects. The great majority of mothers on anticonvulsant medication deliver normal infants. It is important to note that anticonvulsant drugs should not be discontinued in patients in whom the drug is administered to prevent major seizures because of the strong possibility of precipitating status epilepticus with attendant hypoxia and threat to life. In individual cases where the severity and frequency of the seizure disorder are such that the removal of medication does not pose a serious threat to the patient, discontinuation of the drug may be considered prior to and during pregnancy, although it cannot be said with any confidence that even minor seizures do not pose some hazard to the developing embryo or fetus.

The prescribing physician will wish to weigh these considerations in treating or counseling epileptic women of childbearing potential.

Hazardous Activities: Ethosuximide may impair the mental and/or physical abilities required for the performance of potentially hazardous tasks, such as driving a motor vehicle or other such activity requiring alertness; therefore, the patient should be cautioned accordingly.

PRECAUTIONS: Ethosuximide, when used alone in mixed types of epilepsy, may increase the frequency of grand mal seizures in some patients.

As with other anticonvulsants, it is important to proceed slowly when increasing or decreasing dosage, as well as when adding or eliminating other medication. Abrupt withdrawal of anticonvulsant medication may precipitate absence (petit mal) status.

ADVERSE REACTIONS: Gastrointestinal System: Gastrointestinal symptoms occur frequently and include anorexia, vague gastric upset, nausea and vomiting, cramps, epigastric and abdominal pain, weight loss, and diarrhea.

Hemopoietic System: Hemopoietic complications associated with the administration of ethosuximide have included leukopenia, agranulocytosis, pancytopenia, aplastic anemia, and eosinophilia.

Nervous System: Neurologic and sensory reactions reported during therapy with ethosuximide have included drowsiness, headache, dizziness, euphoria, hiccups, irritability, hyperactivity, lethargy, fatigue, and ataxia. Psychiatric or psychological aberrations associated with ethosuximide administration have included disturbances of sleep, night terrors, inability to concentrate, and aggressiveness. These effects may be noted particularly in patients who have previously exhibited psychological abnormalities. There have been rare reports of paranoid psychosis, increased libido, and increased state of depression with overt suicidal intentions.

Integumentary System: Dermatologic manifestations which have occurred with the administration of ethosuximide have included urticaria, Stevens-Johnson syndrome, systemic lupus erythematosus, and pruritic erythematous rashes.

Miscellaneous: Other reactions reported have included myopia, vaginal bleeding, swelling of the tongue, gum hypertrophy, and hirsutism.

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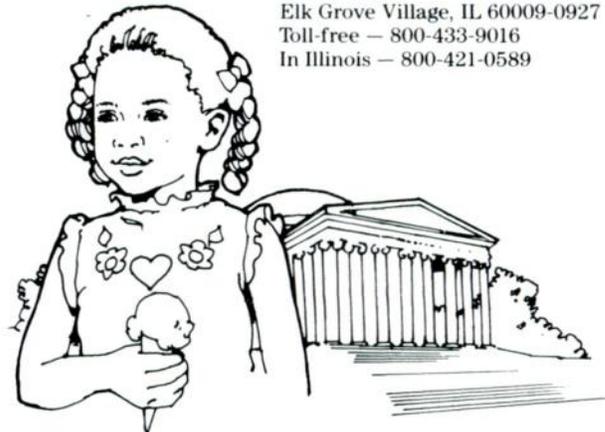
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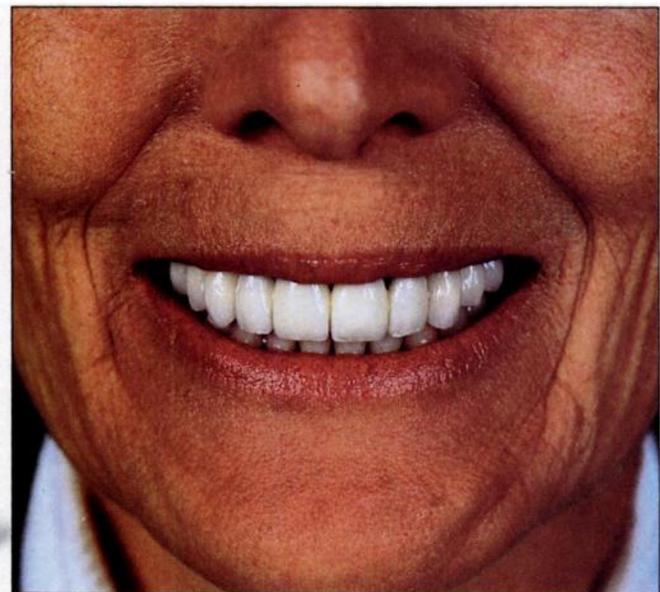
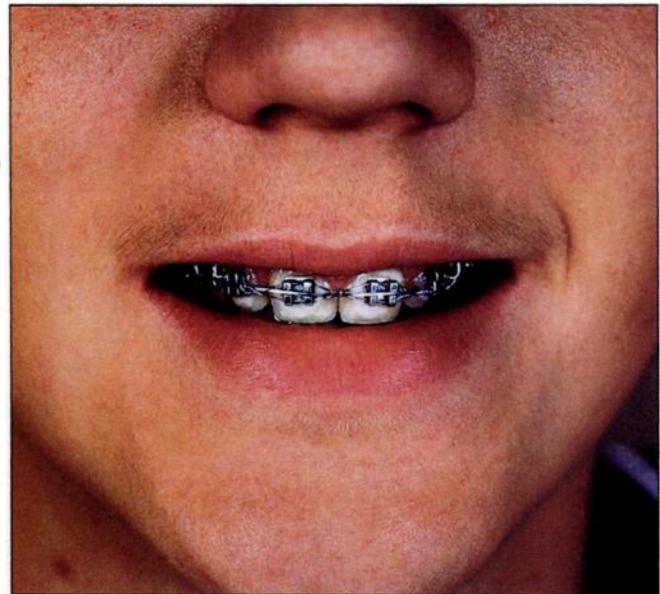
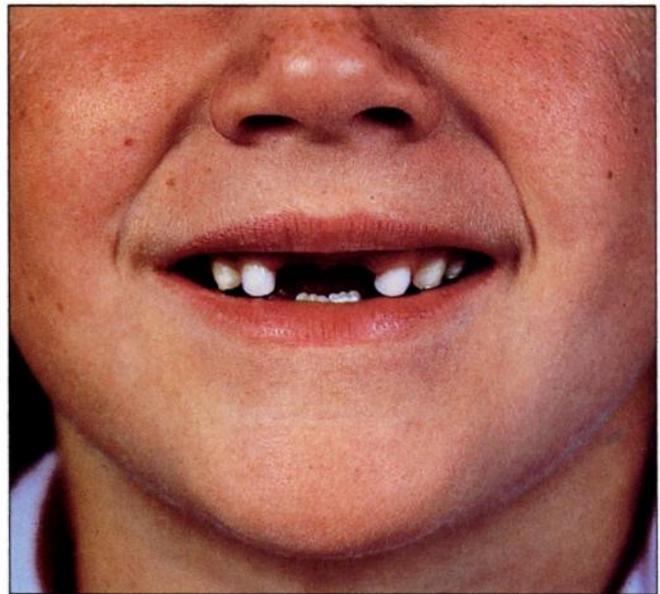
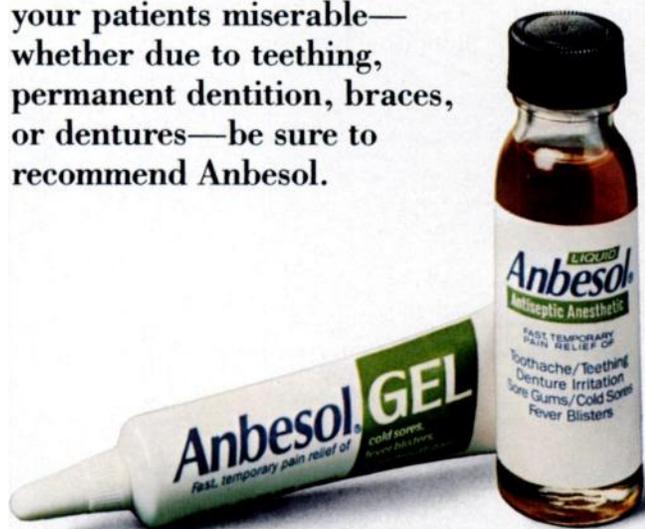
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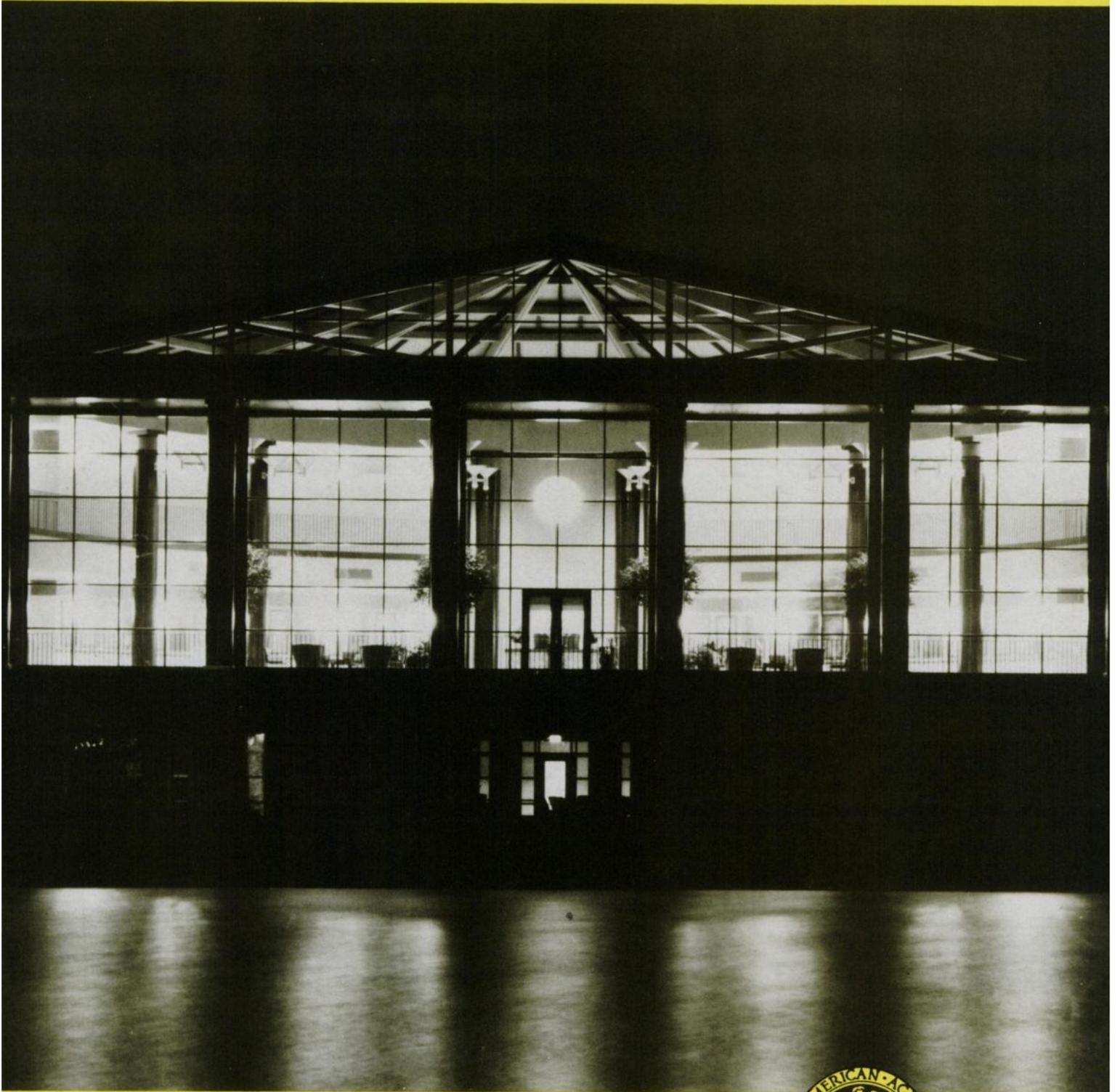
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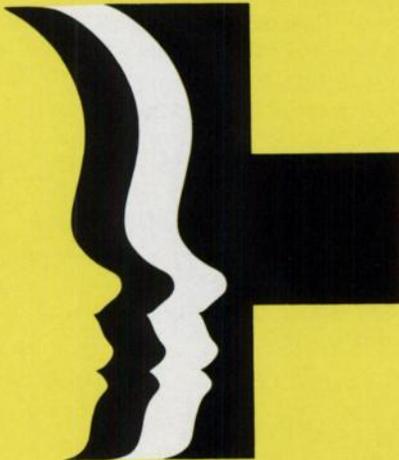
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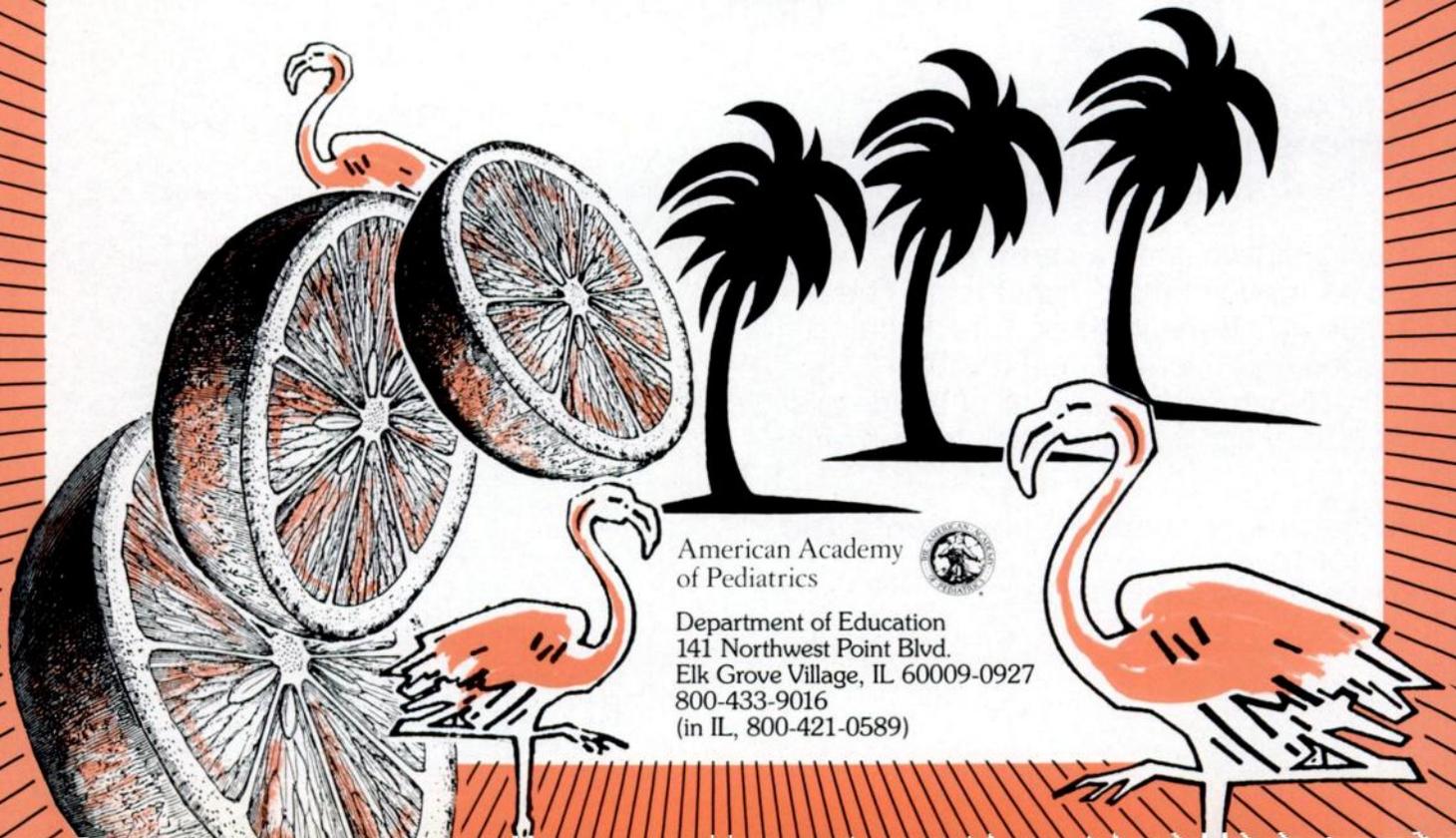
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CONTRAINDICATIONS: History of marked sensitivity to inorganic iodides; hypersensitivity to any of the ingredients or related compounds; pregnancy, newborns, and nursing mothers.

WARNINGS: Discontinue use if rash or other evidence of hypersensitivity appears. Use with caution or avoid use in patients with history or evidence of thyroid disease.

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Pregnancy—Teratogenic effects: Pregnancy Category X (see CONTRAINDICATIONS).

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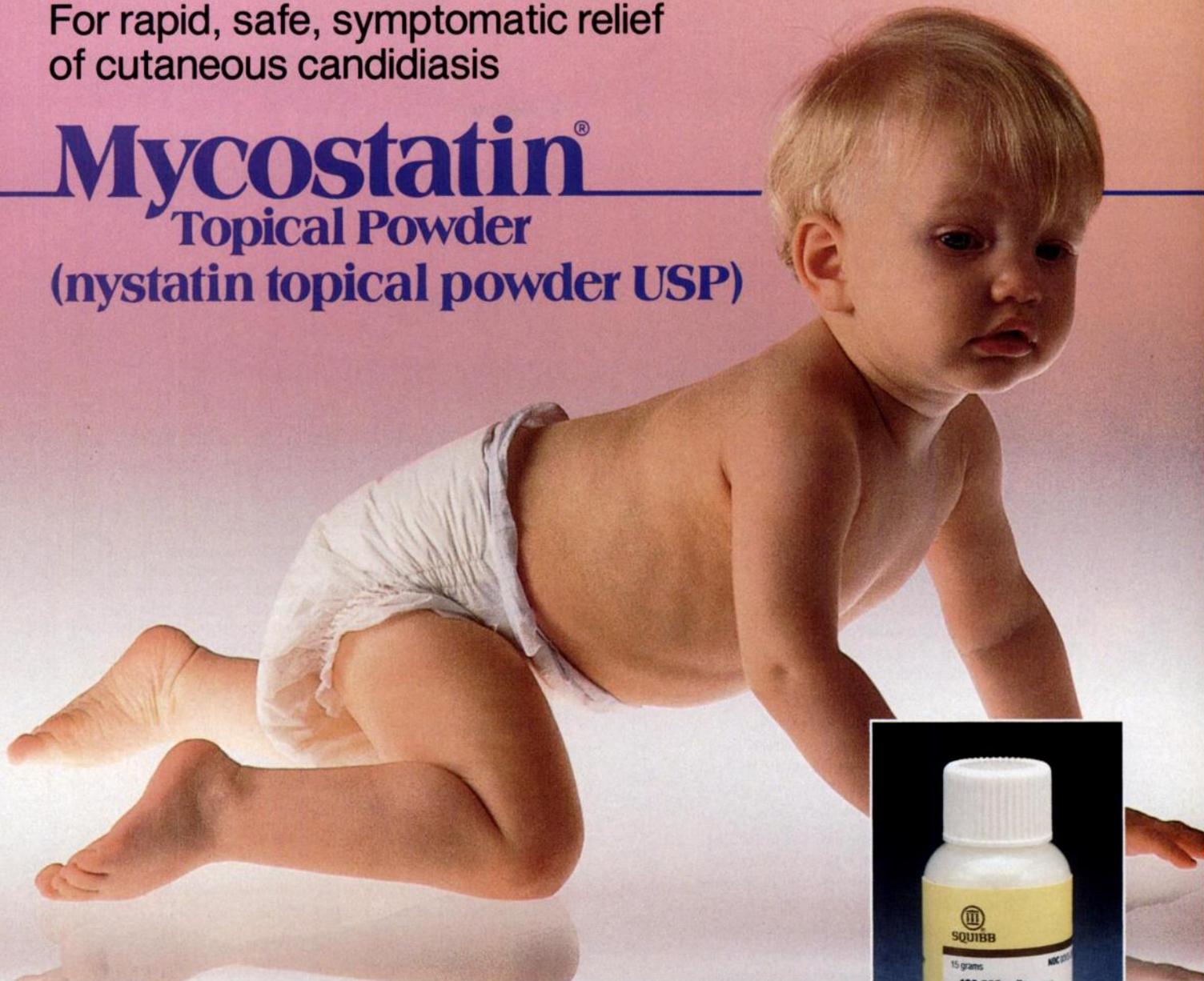


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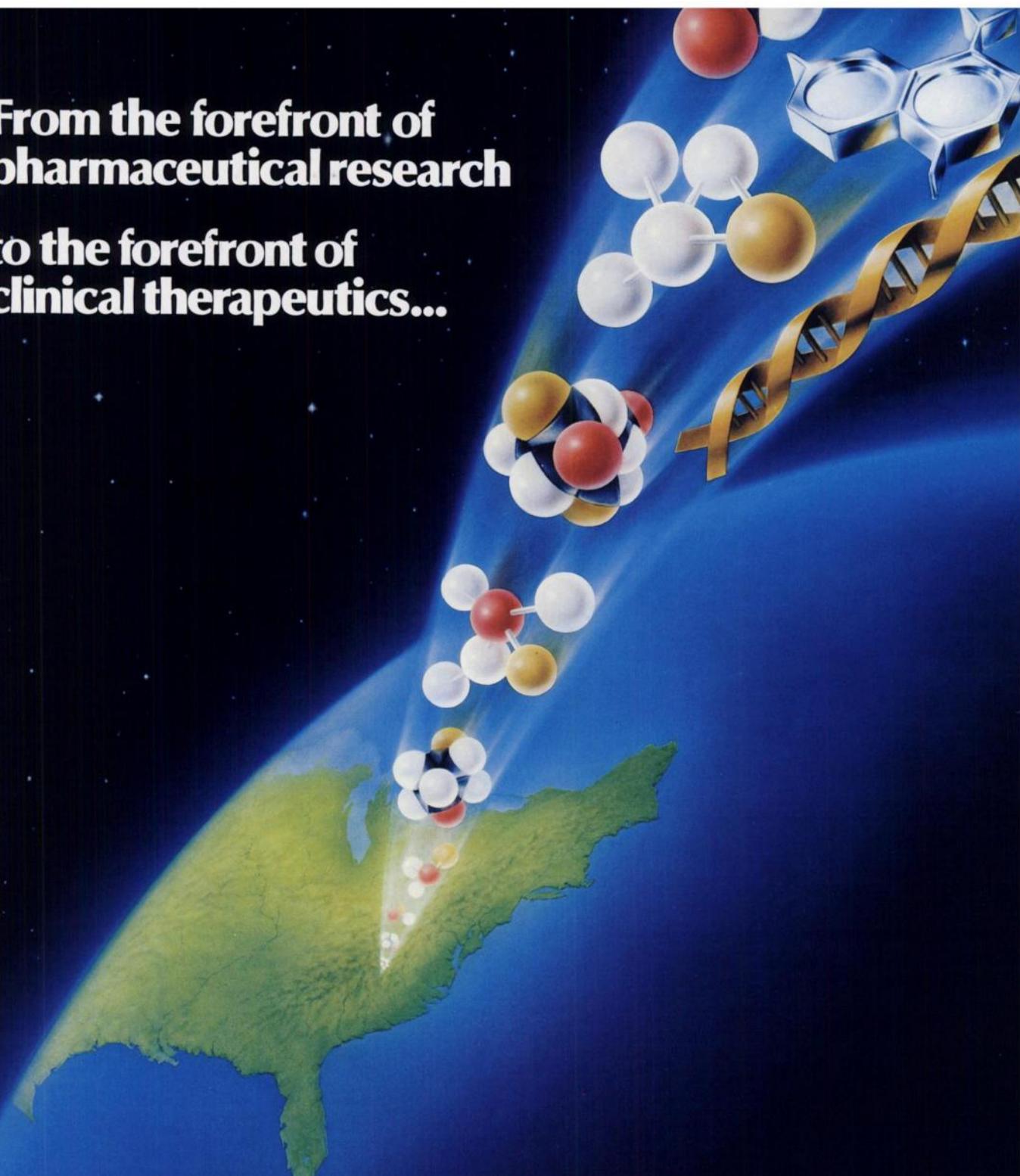


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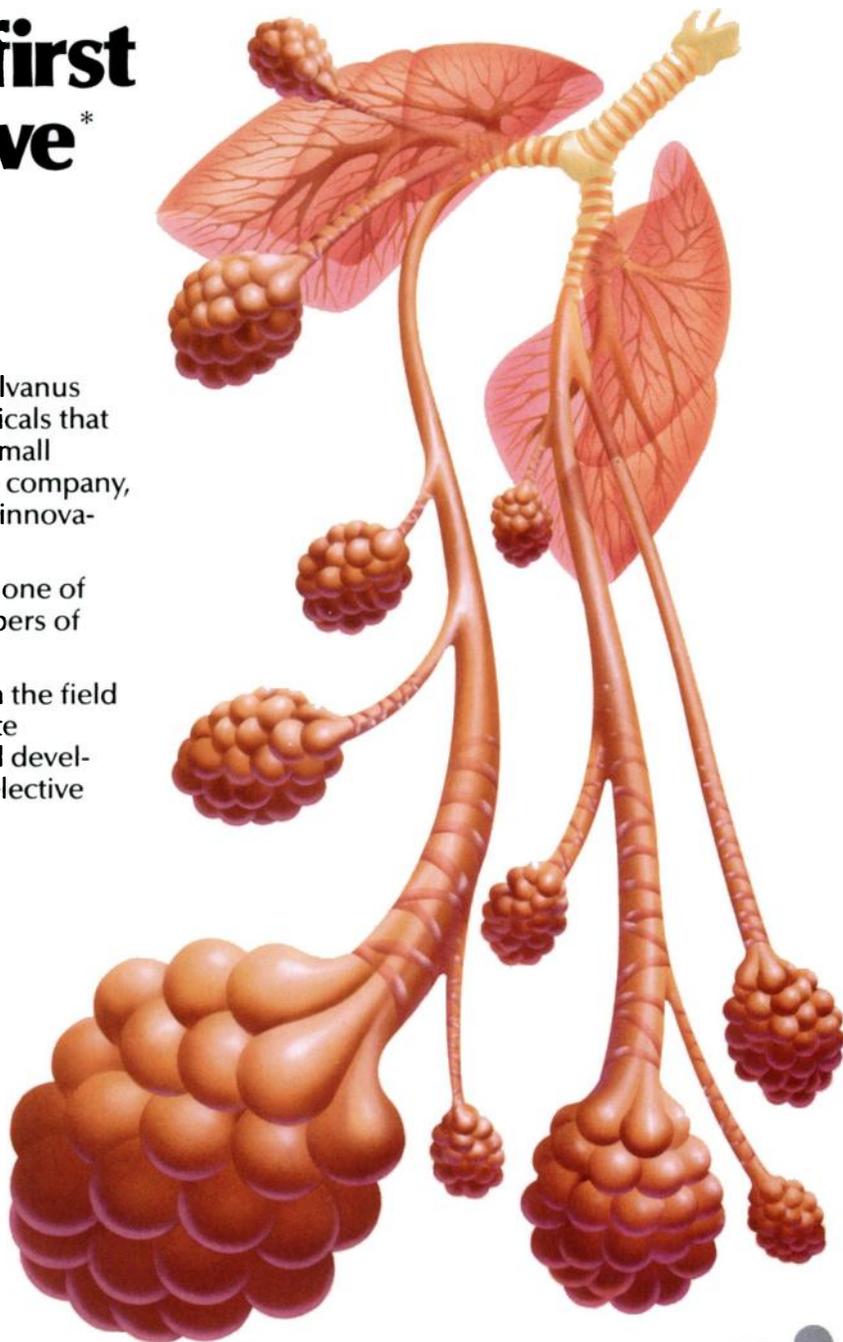
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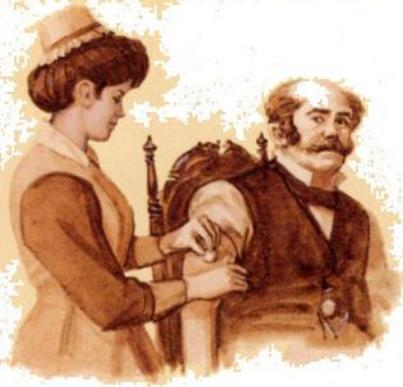
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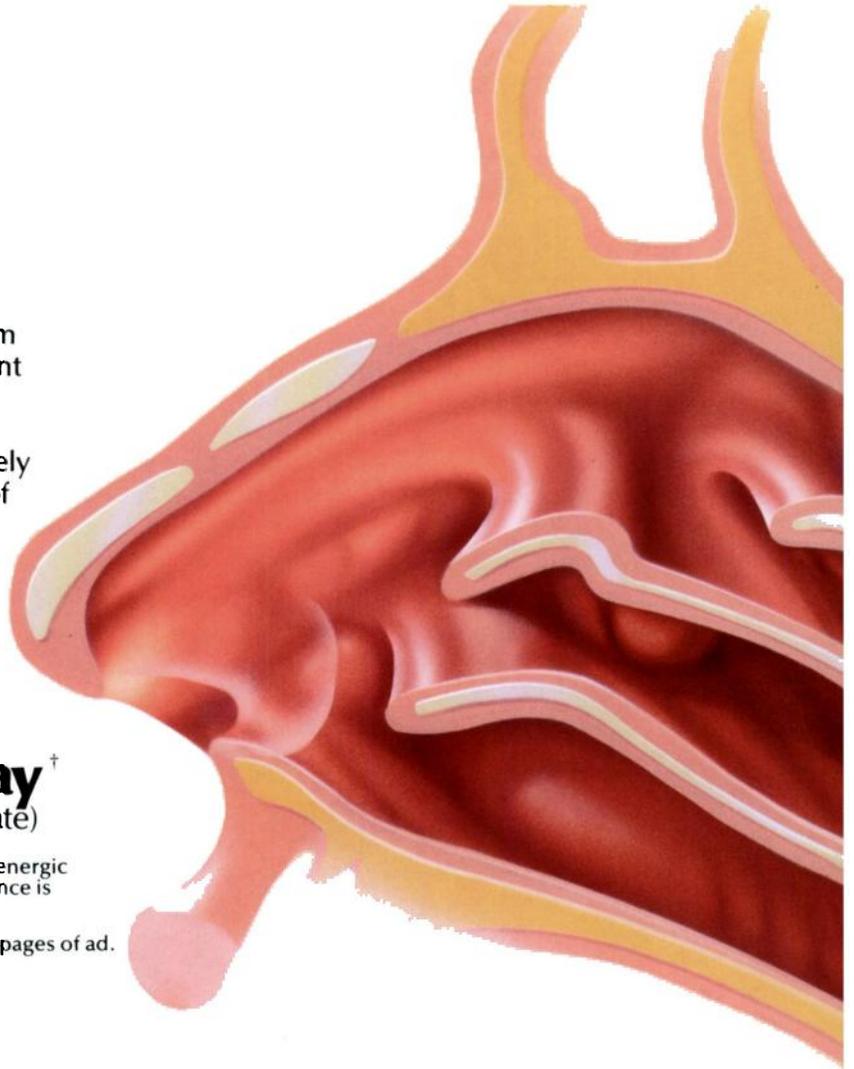
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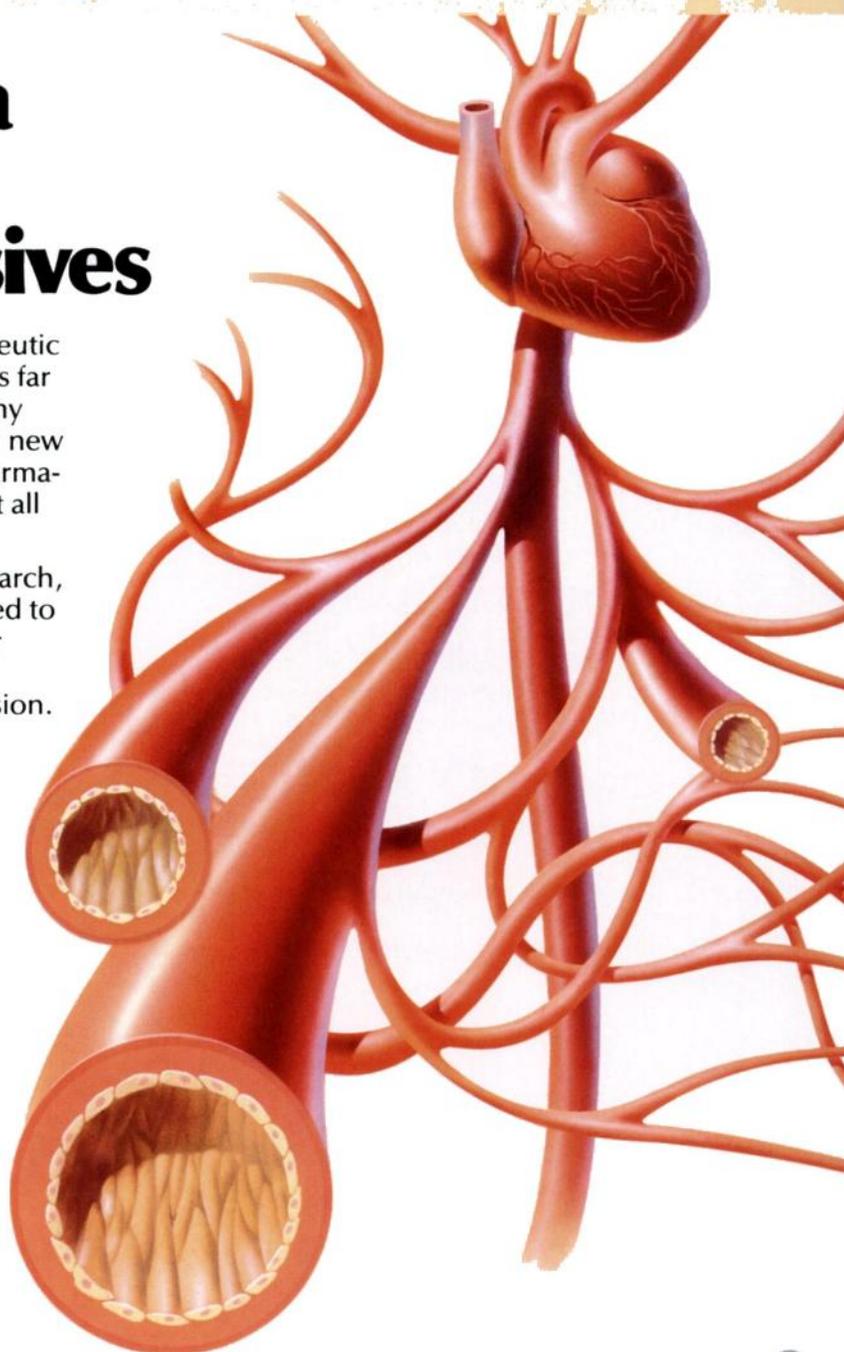


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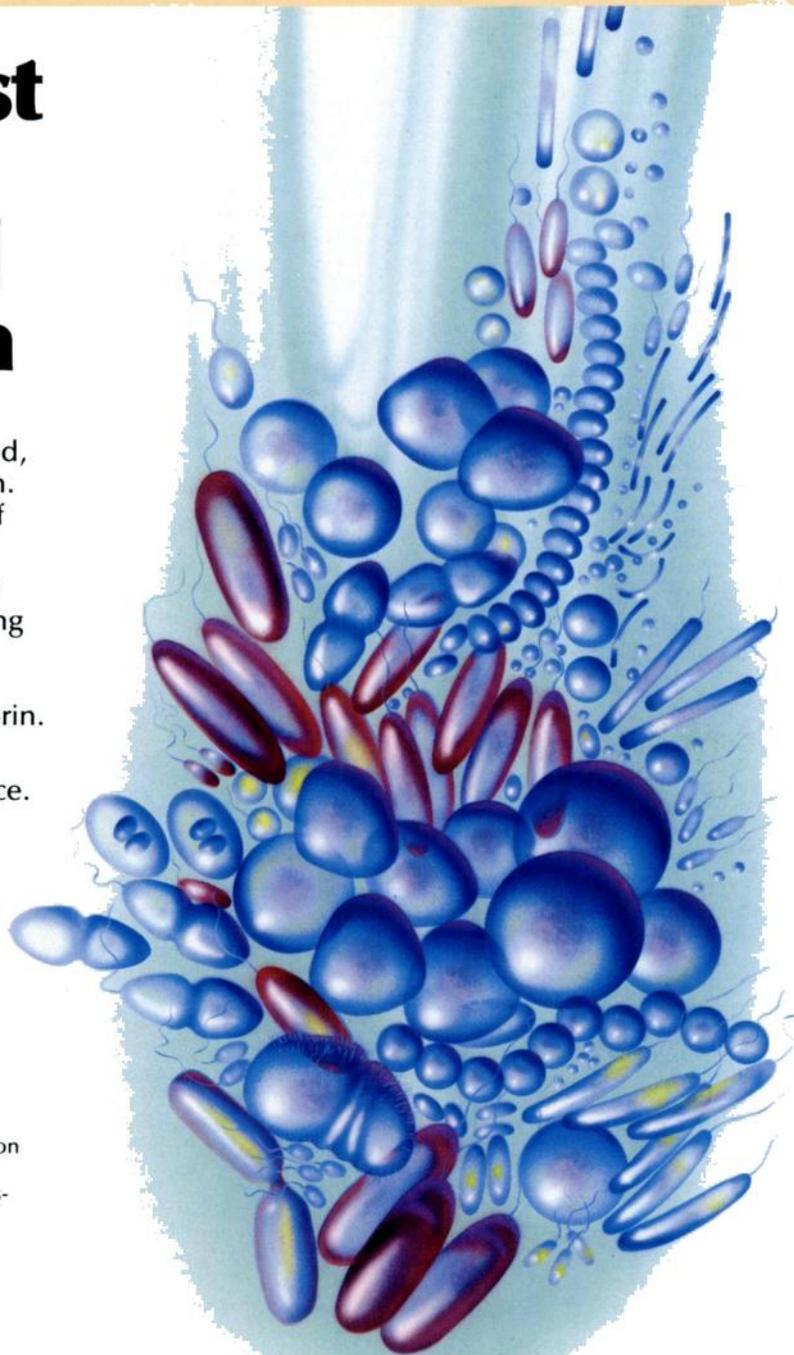
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Immediate hypersensitivity reactions may occur after administration of albuterol inhaler, as demonstrated by rare cases of urticaria, angioedema, rash, bronchospasm, anaphylaxis, and oropharyngeal edema.

The contents of VENTOLIN Inhaler are under pressure. Do not puncture. Do not use or store near heat or open flame. Exposure to temperatures above 120°F may cause bursting. Never throw container into fire or incinerator. Keep out of reach of children.

PRECAUTIONS: General: Albuterol, as with all sympathomimetic amines, should be used with caution in patients with cardiovascular disorders, especially coronary insufficiency, cardiac arrhythmias and hypertension; in patients with convulsive disorders, hyperthyroidism, or diabetes mellitus; and in patients who are unusually responsive to sympathomimetic amines.

Large doses of intravenous albuterol have been reported to aggravate pre-existing diabetes mellitus and ketoacidosis. Additionally, beta-agonists, including albuterol, given intravenously may cause a decrease in serum potassium, possibly through intracellular shunting. The decrease is usually transient, not requiring supplementation. The relevance of these observations to the use of VENTOLIN® Inhaler is unknown, since the aerosol dose is much lower than the doses given intravenously.

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Drug Interactions: Other sympathomimetic aerosol bronchodilators should not be used concomitantly with albuterol. If additional adrenergic drugs are to be administered by any route, they should be used with caution to avoid deleterious cardiovascular effects.

Albuterol should be administered with extreme caution to patients being treated with monoamine oxidase inhibitors or tricyclic antidepressants because the action of albuterol on the vascular system may be potentiated.

Beta-receptor blocking agents and albuterol inhibit the effect of each other.

Carcinogenesis, Mutagenesis, Impairment of Fertility: Albuterol sulfate, like other agents in its class, caused a significant dose-related increase in the incidence of benign leiomyomas of the mesovarium in a two-year study in the rat, at doses corresponding to 111, 555, and 2,800 times the maximum human inhalational dose. In another study this effect was blocked by the coadministration of propranolol. The relevance of these findings to humans is not known. An 18-month study in mice and a lifetime study in hamsters revealed no evidence of tumorigenicity. Studies with albuterol revealed no evidence of mutagenesis. Reproduction studies in rats revealed no evidence of impaired fertility.

Pregnancy: Teratogenic Effects: Pregnancy Category C: Albuterol has been shown to be teratogenic in mice when given in doses corresponding to 14 times the human dose. There are no adequate and well-controlled studies in pregnant women. Albuterol should be used during pregnancy only if the potential benefit justifies the potential risk to the fetus. A reproduction study in CD-1 mice given albuterol subcutaneously (0.025, 0.25, and 2.5 mg/kg, corresponding to 1.4, 14, and 140 times the maximum human inhalational dose, respectively) showed cleft palate formation in 5 of 111 (4.5%) fetuses at 0.25 mg/kg and in 10 of 108 (9.3%) fetuses at 2.5 mg/kg. None was observed at 0.025 mg/kg. Cleft palate also occurred in 22 of 72 (30.5%) fetuses treated with 2.5 mg/kg isoproterenol (positive control). A reproduction study with oral albuterol in Stride Dutch rabbits revealed cranioschisis in 7 of 19 (37%) fetuses at 50 mg/kg, corresponding to 2,800 times the maximum human inhalational dose of albuterol.

Nursing Mothers: It is not known whether this drug is excreted in human milk. Because of the potential for tumorigenicity shown for albuterol in animal studies, a decision should be made whether to discontinue nursing or to discontinue the drug, taking into account the importance of the drug to the mother.

Pediatric Use: Safety and effectiveness in children below 12 years of age have not been established.

ADVERSE REACTIONS: The adverse reactions to albuterol are similar in nature to reactions to other sympathomimetic agents, although the incidence of certain cardiovascular effects is less with albuterol. A 13-week double-blind study compared albuterol and isoproterenol aerosols in 147 asthmatic patients. The results of this study showed that the incidence of cardiovascular effects was: palpitations, less than 10 per 100 with albuterol and less than 15 per 100 with isoproterenol; tachycardia, 10 per 100 with both albuterol and isoproterenol; and increased blood pressure, less than 5 per 100 with both albuterol and isoproterenol. In the same study, both drugs caused tremor or nausea in less than 15 patients per 100, and dizziness or heartburn in less than 5 per 100 patients. Nervousness occurred in less than 10 per 100 patients receiving albuterol and in less than 15 per 100 patients receiving isoproterenol.

Rare cases of urticaria, angioedema, rash, bronchospasm, and oropharyngeal edema have been reported after the use of inhaled albuterol.

In addition, albuterol, like other sympathomimetic agents, can cause adverse reactions such as hypertension, angina, vomiting, vertigo, central nervous system stimulation, insomnia, headache, unusual taste, and drying or irritation of the oropharynx.

OVERDOSAGE: Information concerning possible overdosage and its treatment appears in the full prescribing information.

Glaxo Inc., Research Triangle Park, NC 27709 February 1988

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CONTRAINDICATIONS: Hypersensitivity to any of the ingredients of either preparation contraindicates its use.

WARNINGS: The replacement of a systemic corticosteroid with BECONASE® Nasal Inhaler or BECONASE AQ® Nasal Spray can be accompanied by signs of adrenal insufficiency.

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PRECAUTIONS: General: During withdrawal from oral steroids, some patients may experience symptoms of withdrawal, eg, joint and/or muscular pain, lassitude, and depression.

Rarely, immediate hypersensitivity reactions may occur after the intranasal administration of beclomethasone.

Extremely rare instances of wheezing, nasal septum perforation, and increased intraocular pressure have been reported following the intranasal application of aerosolized corticosteroids. Although these have not been observed in clinical trials with BECONASE AQ® Nasal Spray, vigilance should be maintained.

In clinical studies with beclomethasone dipropionate administered intranasally, the development of localized infections of the nose and pharynx with *Candida albicans* has occurred only rarely. When such an infection develops, it may require treatment with appropriate local therapy or discontinuation of treatment with BECONASE® Nasal Inhaler or BECONASE AQ Nasal Spray.

If persistent nasopharyngeal irritation occurs, it may be an indication for stopping BECONASE AQ Nasal Spray.

Beclomethasone dipropionate is absorbed into the circulation. Use of excessive doses of BECONASE Nasal Inhaler or BECONASE AQ Nasal Spray may suppress HPA function.

BECONASE Nasal Inhaler and BECONASE AQ Nasal Spray should be used with caution, if at all, in patients with active or quiescent tuberculous infections of the respiratory tract; untreated fungal, bacterial, or systemic viral infections; or ocular herpes simplex.

For either preparation to be effective in the treatment of nasal polyps, the aerosol or spray must be able to enter the nose. Therefore, treatment of nasal polyps with these preparations should be considered adjunctive therapy to surgical removal and/or the use of other medications that will permit effective penetration of these preparations into the nose. Nasal polyps may recur after any form of treatment.

As with any long-term treatment, patients using BECONASE Nasal Inhaler or BECONASE AQ Nasal Spray over several months or longer should be examined periodically for possible changes in the nasal mucosa.

Because of the inhibitory effect of corticosteroids on wound healing, patients who have experienced recent nasal septal ulcers, nasal surgery, or trauma should not use a nasal corticosteroid until healing has occurred.

Although systemic effects have been minimal with recommended doses, this potential increases with excessive doses. Therefore, larger than recommended doses of BECONASE Nasal Inhaler and BECONASE AQ Nasal Spray should be avoided.

Information for Patients: Patients being treated with BECONASE Nasal Inhaler or BECONASE AQ Nasal Spray should receive the following information and instructions. This information is intended to aid in the safe and effective use of medication. It is not a disclosure of all possible adverse or intended effects. Patients should use these preparations at regular intervals since their effectiveness depends on their regular use. The patient should take the medication as directed. It is not acutely effective, and the prescribed dosage should not be increased. Instead, nasal vasoconstrictors or oral antihistamines may be needed until the effects of BECONASE Nasal Inhaler or BECONASE AQ Nasal Spray are fully manifested. One to two weeks may pass before full relief is obtained. The patient should contact the doctor if symptoms do not improve, or if the condition worsens, or if sneezing or nasal irritation occurs. For the proper use of either unit and to attain maximum improvement, the patient should read and follow the accompanying patient's instructions carefully.

Carcinogenesis, Mutagenesis, Impairment of Fertility: Treatment of rats for a total of 95 weeks, 13 weeks by inhalation and 82 weeks by the oral route, resulted in no evidence of carcinogenic activity. Mutagenic studies have not been performed.

Impairment of fertility, as evidenced by inhibition of the estrous cycle in dogs, was observed following treatment by the oral route. No inhibition of the estrous cycle in dogs was seen following treatment with beclomethasone dipropionate by the inhalation route.

Pregnancy: Teratogenic Effects: Pregnancy Category C: Like other corticoids, parenteral (subcutaneous) beclomethasone dipropionate has been shown to be teratogenic and embryocidal in the mouse and rabbit when given in doses approximately ten times the human dose. In these studies, beclomethasone was found to produce fetal resorption, cleft palate, agnathia, microstomia, absence of tongue, delayed ossification, and agenesis of the thymus. No teratogenic or embryocidal effects have been seen in

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(beclomethasone dipropionate, USP)**BECONASE AQ® Nasal Spray**
(beclomethasone dipropionate, monohydrate)

the rat when beclomethasone dipropionate was administered by inhalation at ten times the human dose or orally at 1,000 times the human dose. There are no adequate and well-controlled studies in pregnant women. Beclomethasone dipropionate should be used during pregnancy only if the potential benefit justifies the potential risk to the fetus.

Neonatal/Infant Effects: Hypoadrenalism may occur in infants born of mothers receiving corticosteroids during pregnancy. Such infants should be carefully observed.

Nursing Mothers: It is not known whether beclomethasone dipropionate is excreted in human milk. Because other corticosteroids are excreted in human milk, caution should be exercised when BECONASE Nasal Inhaler or BECONASE AQ Nasal Spray is administered to a nursing woman.

Pediatric Use: Safety and effectiveness in children below 6 years of age have not been established.

ADVERSE REACTIONS: In general, side effects in clinical studies with both preparations have been primarily associated with irritation of the nasal mucous membranes.

Extremely rare instances of wheezing, nasal septum perforation, and increased intraocular pressure have been reported following the intranasal administration of aerosolized corticosteroids (see PRECAUTIONS).

Rare cases of immediate and delayed hypersensitivity reactions, including urticaria, angioedema, rash, and bronchospasm, have been reported following the oral and intranasal inhalation and administration of beclomethasone.

BECONASE® Nasal Inhaler: Adverse reactions reported in controlled clinical trials and long-term open studies are described below. Sensations of irritation and burning in the nose (11 per 100 patients) following the use of BECONASE Nasal Inhaler have been reported. Also, occasional sneezing attacks (10 per 100 adult patients) have occurred immediately following the use of the intranasal inhaler. This symptom may be more common in children. Rhinorrhea may occur occasionally (1 per 100 patients).

Localized infections of the nose and pharynx with *Candida albicans* have occurred rarely (see PRECAUTIONS). Transient episodes of epistaxis have been reported in 2 per 100 patients. Ulceration of the nasal mucosa has been reported rarely.

Systemic corticosteroid side effects were not reported during controlled clinical trials with BECONASE Nasal Inhaler. If recommended doses are exceeded, however, or if individuals are particularly sensitive, symptoms of hypercorticism, ie, Cushing's syndrome, could occur.

BECONASE AQ® Nasal Spray: Adverse reactions reported in controlled clinical trials and open studies are described below.

Mild nasopharyngeal irritation has been reported in up to 24% of patients treated, including occasional sneezing attacks (about 4%) occurring immediately following use of the spray. In patients experiencing these symptoms, none had to discontinue treatment. The incidence of transient irritation and sneezing was approximately the same in the group of patients who received placebo in these studies, implying that these complaints may be related to vehicle components of the formulation.

Fewer than 5 per 100 patients reported headache, nausea, or lightheadedness. Fewer than 3 per 100 patients reported nasal stuffiness, nosebleeds, rhinorrhea, or tearing eyes.

OVERDOSAGE: Information concerning possible overdosage and its treatment appears in the full prescribing information.

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TRANDATE® Tablets
(labetalol hydrochloride)**BRIEF SUMMARY**

The following is a brief summary only. Before prescribing, see complete prescribing information in TRANDATE® Tablets product labeling.

CONTRAINDICATIONS: TRANDATE® Tablets are contraindicated in bronchial asthma, overt cardiac failure, greater-than-first-degree heart block, cardiogenic shock, and severe bradycardia (see WARNINGS).

WARNINGS: Cardiac Failure: Sympathetic stimulation is a vital component supporting circulatory function in congestive heart failure. Beta-blockade carries a potential hazard of further depressing myocardial contractility and precipitating more severe failure. Although beta-blockers should be avoided in overt congestive heart failure, if necessary, labetalol HCl can be used with caution in patients with a history of heart failure who are well compensated. Congestive heart failure has been observed in patients receiving labetalol HCl. Labetalol HCl does not abolish the inotropic action of digitalis on heart muscle.

In Patients Without a History of Cardiac Failure: In patients with latent cardiac insufficiency, continued depression of the myocardium with beta-blocking agents over a period of time can, in some cases, lead to cardiac failure. At the first sign or symptom of impending cardiac failure, patients should be fully digitalized and/or be given a diuretic, and the response should be observed closely. If cardiac failure continues despite adequate digitalization and diuretic, TRANDATE® therapy should be withdrawn (gradually, if possible).

Exacerbation of Ischemic Heart Disease Following Abrupt Withdrawal: Angina pectoris has not been reported upon labetalol HCl discontinuation. However, hypersensitivity to catecholamines has been observed in patients withdrawn from beta-blocker therapy; exacerbation of angina and, in some cases, myocardial infarction have occurred after abrupt discontinuation of this therapy. When discontinuing chronically administered TRANDATE, particularly in patients with ischemic heart disease, the dosage should be gradually reduced over a period of one to two weeks and the patient should be carefully monitored. If angina markedly worsens or acute coronary insufficiency develops, TRANDATE administration should be reinstituted promptly, at least temporarily, and other measures appropriate for the management of unstable angina should be taken. Patients should be warned against interruption or discontinuation of therapy without the physician's advice. Because coronary artery disease is common and may be unrecognized, it may be prudent not to discontinue TRANDATE therapy abruptly even in patients treated only for hypertension.

Nonallergic Bronchospasm (eg, Chronic Bronchitis and Emphysema): Patients with bronchospastic disease should, in general, not receive beta-blockers. TRANDATE may be used with caution, however, in patients who do not respond to, or cannot tolerate,

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other antihypertensive agents. It is prudent, if TRANDATE is used, to use the smallest effective dose, so that inhibition of endogenous or exogenous beta-agonists is minimized.

Pheochromocytoma: Labetalol HCl has been shown to be effective in lowering blood pressure and relieving symptoms in patients with pheochromocytoma. However, paradoxical hypertensive responses have been reported in a few patients with this tumor; therefore, use caution when administering labetalol HCl to patients with pheochromocytoma.

Diabetes Mellitus and Hypoglycemia: Beta-adrenergic blockade may prevent the appearance of premonitory signs and symptoms (eg, tachycardia) of acute hypoglycemia. This is especially important with labile diabetics. Beta-blockade also reduces the release of insulin in response to hyperglycemia; it may therefore be necessary to adjust the dose of antidiabetic drugs.

Major Surgery: The necessity or desirability of withdrawing beta-blocking therapy before major surgery is controversial. Prolonged severe hypotension and difficulty in restarting or maintaining a heartbeat have been reported with beta-blockers. The effect of labetalol HCl's alpha-adrenergic activity has not been evaluated in this setting.

A synergism between labetalol HCl and halothane anesthesia has been shown (see PRECAUTIONS: Drug Interactions).

PRECAUTIONS: General: Impaired Hepatic Function: TRANDATE® Tablets should be used with caution in patients with impaired hepatic function since metabolism of the drug may be diminished.

Jaunder or Hepatic Dysfunction: On rare occasions, labetalol HCl has been associated with jaundice (both hepatic and cholestatic). It is therefore recommended that treatment with labetalol HCl be stopped immediately should a patient develop jaundice or laboratory evidence of liver injury. Both have been shown to be reversible on stopping therapy.

Information for Patients: As with all drugs with beta-blocking activity, certain advice to patients being treated with labetalol HCl is warranted. This information is intended to aid in the safe and effective use of this medication. It is not a disclosure of all possible adverse or intended effects. While no incidence of the abrupt withdrawal phenomenon (exacerbation of angina pectoris) has been reported with labetalol HCl, dosing with TRANDATE Tablets should not be interrupted or discontinued without a physician's advice. Patients being treated with TRANDATE Tablets should consult a physician at any sign of impending cardiac failure. Also, transient scalp tingling may occur, usually when treatment with TRANDATE Tablets is initiated (see ADVERSE REACTIONS).

Laboratory Tests: As with any new drug given over prolonged periods, laboratory parameters should be observed over regular intervals. In patients with concomitant illnesses, such as impaired renal function, appropriate tests should be done to monitor these conditions.

Drug Interactions: In one survey, 2.3% of patients taking labetalol HCl in combination with tricyclic antidepressants experienced tremor as compared to 0.7% reported to occur with labetalol HCl alone. The contribution of each of the treatments to this adverse reaction is unknown, but the possibility of a drug interaction cannot be excluded.

Drugs possessing beta-blocking properties can blunt the bronchodilator effect of beta-receptor agonist drugs in patients with bronchospasm; therefore, doses greater than the normal antiasthmatic dose of beta-agonist bronchodilator drugs may be required.

Cimetidine has been shown to increase the bioavailability of labetalol HCl. Since this could be explained either by enhanced absorption or by an alteration of hepatic metabolism of labetalol HCl, special care should be used in establishing the dose required for blood pressure control in such patients.

Synergism has been shown between halothane anesthesia and intravenously administered labetalol HCl. During controlled hypotensive anesthesia using labetalol HCl in association with halothane, high concentrations (3% or above) of halothane should not be used because the degree of hypotension will be increased and because of the possibility of a large reduction in cardiac output and an increase in central venous pressure. The anesthesiologist should be informed when a patient is receiving labetalol HCl.

Labetalol HCl blunts the reflex tachycardia produced by nitroglycerin without preventing its hypotensive effect. If labetalol HCl is used with nitroglycerin in patients with angina pectoris, additional antihypertensive effects may occur.

Drug/Laboratory Test Interactions: The presence of a metabolite of labetalol in the urine may result in falsely increased levels of urinary catecholamines when measured by a nonspecific trihydroxyindole (THI) reaction. In screening patients suspected of having a pheochromocytoma and being treated with labetalol HCl, specific radioenzymatic or high performance liquid chromatography assay techniques should be used to determine levels of catecholamines or their metabolites.

Carcinogenesis, Mutagenesis, Impairment of Fertility: Long-term oral dosing studies with labetalol HCl for 18 months in mice and for two years in rats showed no evidence of carcinogenesis. Studies with labetalol HCl using dominant lethal assays in rats and mice and exposing microorganisms according to modified Ames tests showed no evidence of mutagenesis.

Pregnancy: Teratogenic Effects: Pregnancy Category C: Teratogenic studies were performed with labetalol in rats and rabbits at oral doses up to approximately six and four times the maximum recommended human dose (MRHD), respectively. No reproducible evidence of fetal malformations was observed. Increased fetal resorptions were seen in both species at doses approximating the MRHD. A teratology study performed with labetalol in rabbits at intravenous doses up to 1.7 times the MRHD revealed no evidence of drug-related harm to the fetus. There are no adequate and well-controlled studies in pregnant women. Labetalol should be used during pregnancy only if the potential benefit justifies the potential risk to the fetus.

Neonatal/Perinatal Effects: Infants of mothers who were treated with labetalol HCl during pregnancy did not appear to be adversely affected by the drug. Oral administration of labetalol to rats during late gestation through weaning at doses of two to four times the MRHD caused a decrease in neonatal survival.

Labor and Delivery: Labetalol HCl given to pregnant women with hypertension did not appear to affect the usual course of labor and delivery.

Nursing Mothers: Small amounts of labetalol (approximately 0.004% of the maternal dose) are excreted in human milk. Caution should be exercised when TRANDATE Tablets are administered to a nursing woman.

Pediatric Use: Safety and effectiveness in children have not been established.

ADVERSE REACTIONS: Most adverse effects are mild, transient, and occur early in the course of treatment. In controlled clinical

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trials of three to four months' duration, discontinuation of TRANDATE® Tablets due to one or more adverse effects was required in 7% of all patients. In these same trials, beta-blocker control agents led to discontinuation in 8% to 10% of patients, and a centrally acting alpha-agonist in 30% of patients.

The following adverse reactions were derived from multicenter, controlled clinical trials over treatment periods of three and four months. The rates, which ranged from less than 1% to 5% except as otherwise noted, are based on adverse reactions considered probably drug-related by the investigator. If all reports are considered, the rates are somewhat higher (eg, dizziness, 20%; nausea, 14%; fatigue, 11%).

Body as a Whole: Fatigue, asthenia, headache. **Gastrointestinal:** Nausea (6%), vomiting, dyspepsia, diarrhea, taste distortion. **Central and Peripheral Nervous Systems:** Dizziness (11%), paresthesia, drowsiness. **Autonomic Nervous System:** Nasal stuffiness, ejaculation failure, impotence, increased sweating. **Cardiovascular:** Edema, postural hypotension. **Respiratory:** Dyspnea. **Skin:** Rash. **Special Senses:** Vision abnormality, vertigo.

The adverse effects were reported spontaneously and are representative of the incidence of adverse effects that may be observed in a properly selected hypertensive patient population, ie, a group excluding patients with bronchospastic disease, overt congestive heart failure, or other contraindications to beta-blocker therapy.

Clinical trials also included studies utilizing daily doses up to 2,400 mg in more severely hypertensive patients. The US therapeutic trials data base for adverse reactions that are clearly or possibly dose-related shows that the following side effects increased with increasing dose: dizziness, fatigue, nausea, vomiting, dyspepsia, paresthesia, nasal stuffiness, ejaculation failure, impotence, and edema.

In addition, a number of other less common adverse events have been reported in clinical trials or the literature:

Cardiovascular: Postural hypotension, including, rarely, syncope. **Central and Peripheral Nervous Systems:** Paresthesia, most frequently described as scalp tingling. In most cases, it was mild, transient, and usually occurred at the beginning of treatment. **Collagen Disorders:** Systemic lupus erythematosus; positive antinuclear factor (ANF). **Eyes:** Dry eyes. **Immunological System:** Antimitochondrial antibodies. **Liver and Biliary System:** Cholestasis with or without jaundice. **Musculoskeletal System:** Muscle cramps; toxic myopathy. **Respiratory System:** Bronchospasm. **Skin and Appendages:** Rashes of various types, such as generalized maculopapular, lichenoid, urticarial, bullous lichen planus, psoriasisform, and facial erythema; Peyronie's disease; reversible alopecia. **Urinary System:** Difficulty in micturition, including acute urinary bladder retention.

Following approval for marketing in the United Kingdom, a monitored release survey involving approximately 6,800 patients was conducted for further safety and efficacy evaluation of this product. Results of this survey indicate that the type, severity, and incidence of adverse effects were comparable to those cited above.

Potential Adverse Effects: In addition, other adverse effects not listed above have been reported with other beta-adrenergic blocking agents. **Central Nervous System:** Reversible mental depression progressing to catatonia, an acute reversible syndrome characterized by disorientation for time and place, short-term memory loss, emotional lability, slightly clouded sensorium, and decreased performance on psychometrics. **Cardiovascular:** Intensification of AV block (see CONTRAINDICATIONS). **Allergic:** Fever combined with aching and sore throat; laryngospasm, respiratory distress. **Hematologic:** Agranulocytosis, thrombocytopenic or nonthrombocytopenic purpura. **Gastrointestinal:** Mesenteric artery thrombosis, ischemic colitis. The oculomucocutaneous syndrome associated with the beta-blocker practolol has not been reported with labetalol HCl.

Clinical Laboratory Tests: There have been reversible increases of serum transaminases in 4% of patients treated with labetalol HCl and tested, and, more rarely, reversible increases in blood urea.

OVERDOSAGE: Information concerning possible overdose and its treatment appears in the full prescribing information.

DOSE AND ADMINISTRATION: DOSAGE MUST BE INDIVIDUALIZED. The recommended initial dosage is 100 mg twice daily whether used alone or added to a diuretic regimen. After two or three days, using standing blood pressure as an indicator, dosage may be titrated in increments of 100 mg bid every two or three days. The usual maintenance dosage of labetalol HCl is between 200 and 400 mg twice daily. Before use, see complete prescribing information for dosage details.

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CEFTIN® Tablets (cefuroxime axetil)

BRIEF SUMMARY

The following is a brief summary only. Before prescribing, see complete prescribing information in CEFTIN® Tablets product labeling.

CONTRAINDICATIONS: CEFTIN is contraindicated in patients with known allergy to the cephalosporin group of antibiotics. **WARNINGS:** BEFORE THERAPY WITH CEFTIN IS INSTITUTED, CAREFUL INQUIRY SHOULD BE MADE TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE PATIENT HAS HAD PREVIOUS HYPERSENSITIVITY REACTIONS TO CEPHALOSPORINS, PENICILLINS, OR OTHER DRUGS. THIS PRODUCT SHOULD BE GIVEN CAUTIOUSLY TO PENICILLIN-SENSITIVE PATIENTS. ANTIBIOTICS SHOULD BE ADMINISTERED WITH CAUTION TO ANY PATIENT WHO HAS DEMONSTRATED SOME FORM OF ALLERGY, PARTICULARLY TO DRUGS. IF AN ALLERGIC REACTION TO CEFTIN OCCURS, DISCONTINUE THE DRUG. SERIOUS ACUTE HYPERSENSITIVITY REACTIONS MAY REQUIRE EPINEPHRINE AND OTHER EMERGENCY MEASURES.

Pseudomembranous colitis has been reported with the use of cephalosporins (and other broad-spectrum antibiotics); therefore, it is important to consider its diagnosis in patients who develop diarrhea in association with antibiotic use.

Treatment with broad-spectrum antibiotics alters normal flora of the colon and may permit overgrowth of clostridia. Studies indicate that a toxin produced by *Clostridium difficile* is one primary cause of

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antibiotic-associated colitis. Cholestyramine and colestipol resins have been shown to bind the toxin in vitro.

Mild cases of colitis may respond to drug discontinuation alone. Moderate to severe cases should be managed with fluid, electrolyte, and protein supplementation as indicated.

When the colitis is not relieved by drug discontinuation or when it is severe, oral vancomycin is the treatment of choice for antibiotic-associated pseudomembranous colitis produced by *C. difficile*. Other causes of colitis should also be considered. **PRECAUTIONS: General:** If an allergic reaction to CEFTIN® occurs, the drug should be discontinued, and, if necessary, the patient should be treated with appropriate agents, eg, antihistamines, pressor amines, or corticosteroids.

As with other antibiotics, prolonged use of CEFTIN may result in overgrowth of nonsusceptible organisms. If superinfection occurs during therapy, appropriate measures should be taken.

Broad-spectrum antibiotics should be prescribed with caution for individuals with a history of colitis.

Information for Patients: (Pediatric) CEFTIN is only available in tablet form. During clinical trials, the tablet was well tolerated by children who could swallow the tablet whole. Children who cannot swallow the tablet whole may have the tablet crushed and mixed with food (eg, applesauce, ice cream). However, it should be noted that the crushed tablet has a strong, persistent, bitter taste. Discontinuation of therapy due to the taste and/or problems of administering this drug occurred in 13% of children (range, 2% to 28% across centers). Thus, the physician and parent should ascertain, preferably while still in the physician's office, that the child can ingest CEFTIN reliably. If not, alternative therapy should be considered.

Interference with Laboratory Tests: A false-positive reaction for glucose in the urine may occur with copper reduction tests (Benedict's or Fehling's solution or with Clinistest® tablets), but not with enzyme-based tests for glycosuria (eg, Clinistix®, Tes-Tape®). As a false-negative result may occur in the ferricyanide test, it is recommended that either the glucose oxidase or hexokinase method be used to determine blood plasma glucose levels in patients receiving CEFTIN.

Cefuroxime does not interfere with the assay of serum and urine creatinine by the alkaline picrate method.

Carcinogenesis, Mutagenesis, Impairment of Fertility: Although no long-term studies in animals have been performed to evaluate carcinogenic potential, no mutagenic potential of cefuroxime was found in standard laboratory tests.

Reproductive studies revealed no impairment of fertility in animals.

Pregnancy: Pregnancy Category B: Reproduction studies have been performed in rats and mice at doses up to 50 to 160 times the human dose and have revealed no evidence of impaired fertility or harm to the fetus due to cefuroxime axetil. There are, however, no adequate and well-controlled studies in pregnant women. Because animal reproduction studies are not always predictive of human response, this drug should be used during pregnancy only if clearly needed.

Nursing Mothers: Since cefuroxime is excreted in human milk, consideration should be given to discontinuing nursing temporarily during treatment with CEFTIN.

ADVERSE REACTIONS: The adverse reactions to CEFTIN® are similar to reactions to other orally administered cephalosporins. CEFTIN was usually well tolerated in controlled clinical trials. Pediatric patients taking crushed tablets during clinical trials complained of the bitter taste of CEFTIN tablets (see ADVERSE REACTIONS: Gastrointestinal and PRECAUTIONS: Information for Patients: (Pediatric)). The majority of adverse events were mild, reversible in nature, and did not require discontinuation of the drug. The incidence of gastrointestinal adverse events increased with the higher recommended doses. Twenty-five (25) patients have received CEFTIN 500 mg twice a day for one to 2.5 months with no increase in frequency or severity of adverse events.

The following adverse reactions have been reported. **Gastrointestinal:** Nausea occurred in 2.4% of patients. Vomiting occurred in 2.0% of patients. Diarrhea occurred in 3.5% of patients. Loose stools occurred in 1.3% of patients. There have been rare reports of pseudomembranous colitis.

Crushed tablets have a bitter taste. In pediatric clinical studies conducted with crushed tablets, complaints due to taste ranged from 0/8 (0%) in one center to 4/71 (6%) in another center.

Hypersensitivity: Rash (0.6% of patients), pruritus (0.3% of patients), and urticaria (0.2% of patients) have been observed. One case of severe bronchospasm has been reported among the approximately 1,600 patients treated with CEFTIN. Of the patients treated with CEFTIN who reported a history of delayed hypersensitivity to a penicillin and not a cephalosporin, 2.9% of patients experienced a delayed hypersensitivity reaction to CEFTIN.

Central Nervous System: Headache occurred in less than 0.7% of patients, and dizziness occurred in less than 0.2% of patients.

Other: Vaginitis occurred in 1.9% of female patients. **Clinical Laboratory Tests:** Transient elevations in AST (SGOT, 2.0% of patients), ALT (SGPT, 1.6% of patients), and LDH (1.0% of patients) have been observed. Eosinophilia (1.1% of patients) and positive Coombs' test (0.4% of patients) have been reported.

In addition to the adverse reactions listed above that have been observed in patients treated with CEFTIN, the following adverse reactions and altered laboratory tests have been reported for cephalosporin class antibiotics:

Adverse Reactions: Allergic reactions including anaphylaxis, fever, colitis, renal dysfunction, toxic nephropathy, and hepatic dysfunction including cholestasis.

Several cephalosporins have been implicated in triggering seizures, particularly in patients with renal impairment when the dosage was not reduced. If seizures associated with drug therapy should occur, the drug should be discontinued. Anticonvulsant therapy can be given if clinically indicated.

Altered Laboratory Tests: Increased prothrombin time, increased BUN, increased creatinine, false-positive test for urinary glucose, increased alkaline phosphatase, neutropenia, thrombocytopenia, and leukopenia.

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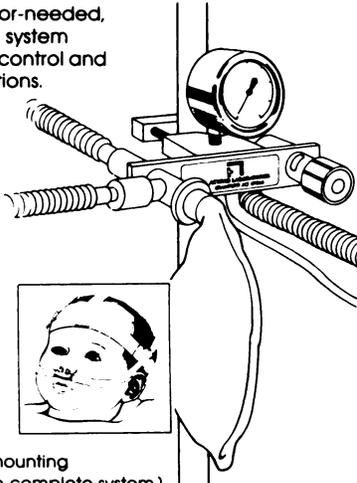
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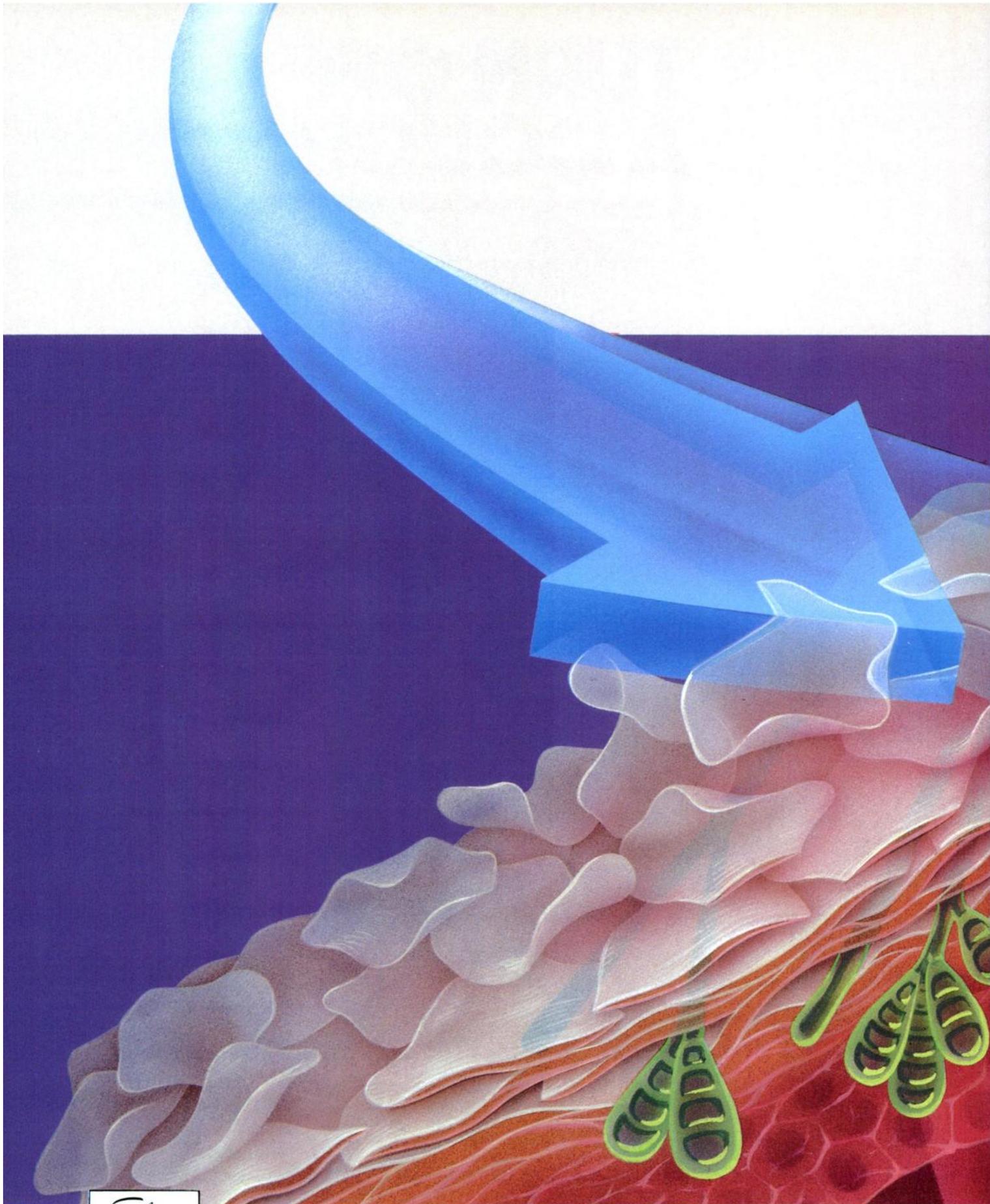


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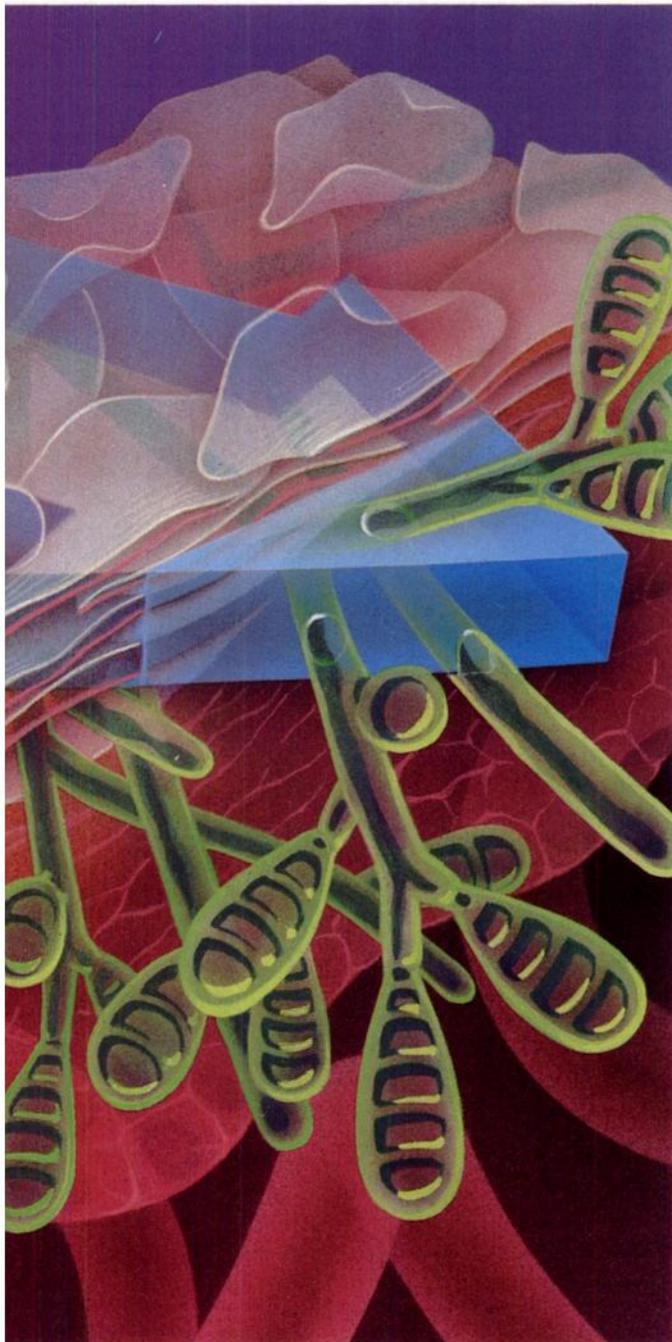
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INDICATIONS AND USAGE LOTRISONE Cream is indicated for the topical treatment of the following dermal infections: tinea pedis, tinea cruris, and tinea corporis due to *Trichophyton rubrum*, *Trichophyton mentagrophytes*, *Epidermophyton floccosum*, and *Microsporum canis*.

CONTRAINDICATIONS LOTRISONE Cream is contraindicated in patients who are sensitive to clotrimazole, betamethasone dipropionate, other corticosteroids or imidazoles, or to any ingredient in this preparation.

PRECAUTIONS **General** Systemic absorption of topical corticosteroids has produced reversible hypothalamic-pituitary-adrenal (HPA) axis suppression, manifestations of Cushing's syndrome, hyperglycemia, and glucosuria in some patients.

Conditions which augment systemic absorption include the application of the more potent steroids, use over large surface areas, prolonged use, and the addition of occlusive dressings. (See **DOSE AND ADMINISTRATION** section.)

Therefore, patients receiving a large dose of a potent topical steroid applied to a large surface area should be evaluated periodically for evidence of HPA axis suppression by using the urinary free cortisol and ACTH stimulation tests. If HPA axis suppression is noted, an attempt should be made to withdraw the drug, to reduce the frequency of application, or to substitute a less potent steroid.

Recovery of HPA axis function is generally prompt and complete upon discontinuation of the drug. Infrequently, signs and symptoms of steroid withdrawal may occur, requiring supplemental systemic corticosteroids.

Children may absorb proportionally larger amounts of topical corticosteroids and thus be more susceptible to systemic toxicity. (See **PRECAUTIONS-Pediatric Use**.)

If irritation or hypersensitivity develops with the use of LOTRISONE Cream, treatment should be discontinued and appropriate therapy instituted.

Information for Patients Patients using LOTRISONE Cream should receive the following information and instructions.

1. This medication is to be used as directed by the physician. It is for external use only. Avoid contact with the eyes.
2. The medication is to be used for the full prescribed treatment time, even though the symptoms may have improved. Notify the physician if there is no improvement after one week of treatment for tinea cruris or tinea corporis, or after two weeks for tinea pedis.
3. Patients should be advised not to use this medication for any disorder other than for which it was prescribed.
4. The treated skin areas should not be bandaged or otherwise covered or wrapped as to be occluded. (See **DOSE AND ADMINISTRATION** section.)

5. When using this medication in the groin area, patients should be advised to use the medication for two weeks only, and to apply the cream sparingly. The physician should be notified if the condition persists after two weeks. Patients should also be advised to wear loose fitting clothing. (See **DOSE AND ADMINISTRATION** section.)
6. Patients should report any signs of local adverse reactions.
7. Parents of pediatric patients should be advised not to use tight-fitting diapers or plastic pants on a child being treated in the diaper area, as these garments may constitute occlusive dressing. (See **DOSE AND ADMINISTRATION** section.)
8. Patients should avoid sources of infection or reinfection.

Laboratory Tests If there is a lack of response to LOTRISONE Cream, appropriate microbiological studies should be repeated to confirm the diagnosis and rule out other pathogens before instituting another course of antimycotic therapy.

The following tests may be helpful in evaluating HPA axis suppression due to the corticosteroid component:

Urinary free cortisol test
ACTH stimulation test

Carcinogenesis, Mutagenesis, Impairment of Fertility There are no animal or laboratory studies with the combination clotrimazole and betamethasone dipropionate to evaluate carcinogenesis, mutagenesis or impairment of fertility.

An 18-month oral dosing study with clotrimazole in rats has not revealed any carcinogenic effect.

In tests for mutagenesis, chromosomes of the spermatophores of Chinese hamsters which had been exposed to clotrimazole were examined for structural changes during the metaphase. Prior to testing, the hamsters had received five oral clotrimazole doses of 100 mg/kg body weight. The results of this study showed that clotrimazole had no mutagenic effect.

Pregnancy Category C There have been no teratogenic studies performed with the combination clotrimazole and betamethasone dipropionate.

Studies in pregnant rats with *intravaginal* doses up to 100 mg/kg have revealed no evidence of harm to the fetus due to clotrimazole.

High oral doses of clotrimazole in rats and mice ranging from 50 to 120 mg/kg resulted in embryotoxicity (possibly secondary to maternal toxicity), impairment of mating, decreased litter size and number of viable young and decreased pup survival to weaning. However, clotrimazole was not teratogenic in mice, rabbits and rats at oral doses up to 200, 180 and 100 mg/kg, respectively. Oral absorption in the rat amounts to approximately 90% of the administered dose.

Corticosteroids are generally teratogenic in laboratory animals when administered systemically at relatively low dosage levels. The more potent corticosteroids have been shown to be teratogenic after dermal application in laboratory animals.

There are no adequate and well-controlled studies in pregnant women on teratogenic effects from a topically applied combination of clotrimazole and betamethasone dipropionate. Therefore, LOTRISONE Cream should be used during pregnancy only if the potential benefit justifies the potential risk to the fetus.

Drugs containing corticosteroids should not be used extensively on pregnant patients, in large amounts, or for prolonged periods of time.

Nursing Mothers It is not known whether this drug is excreted in human milk. Because many drugs are excreted in human milk caution should be exercised when LOTRISONE Cream is used by a nursing woman.

Pediatric Use Safety and effectiveness in children below the age of 12 have not been established with LOTRISONE Cream. However, dosage forms containing concentrations of clotrimazole and of betamethasone dipropionate found in LOTRISONE Cream have been demonstrated to be safe and effective when used as indicated and in the recommended dosages.

Pediatric patients may demonstrate greater susceptibility to topical corticosteroid-induced HPA axis suppression and Cushing's syndrome than mature patients because of a larger skin surface area to body weight ratio.

Hypothalamic-pituitary-adrenal (HPA) axis suppression, Cushing's syndrome, and intracranial hypertension have been reported in children receiving topical corticosteroids. Manifestations of adrenal suppression in children include linear growth retardation, delayed weight gain, low plasma cortisol levels, and absence of response to ACTH stimulation. Manifestations of intracranial hypertension include bulging fontanelles, headaches, and bilateral papilledema.

Administration of topical dermatologics containing a corticosteroid to children should be limited to the least amount compatible with an effective therapeutic regimen. Chronic corticosteroid therapy may interfere with the growth and development of children.

ADVERSE REACTIONS The following adverse reactions have been reported in connection with the use of LOTRISONE Cream: paresthesia in 5 of 270 patients, maculopapular rash, edema, and secondary infection, each in 1 of 270 patients.

Adverse reactions reported with the use of clotrimazole are as follows: erythema, stinging, blistering, peeling, edema, pruritus, urticaria, and general irritation of the skin.

The following local adverse reactions are reported infrequently when topical corticosteroids are used as recommended. These reactions are listed in an approximate decreasing order of occurrence: burning, itching, irritation, dryness, folliculitis, hypertrichosis, acneiform eruptions, hypopigmentation, perioral dermatitis, allergic contact dermatitis, maceration of the skin, secondary infection, skin atrophy, striae, and miliaria.

OVERDOSAGE Acute overdosage with topical application of LOTRISONE Cream is unlikely and would not be expected to lead to a life-threatening situation.

Topically applied corticosteroids can be absorbed in sufficient amounts to produce systemic effects. (See **PRECAUTIONS**.)

HOW SUPPLIED LOTRISONE Cream is supplied in 15-gram (NDC 0085-0924-01), and 45-gram tubes (NDC 0085-0924-02); boxes of one.

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