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Fentazin

(perphenazine BP)

A potent tranquilliser to control agitation, anxiety and tension, and for the treatment of nausea and vomiting.

PRESENTATIONS AND BASIC NHS COSTS

Fentazin Tablets 2mg., 4mg and 8mg each contain perphenazine BP 2mg, 4mg and 8mg, respectively. In cartons of 100 in 10 foil strips of 10 (5 x 2) tablets.

Fentazin Tablets 2mg—£2-60, Fentazin Tablets 4mg—£3-08, Fentazin Tablets 8mg—£3-86, Fentazin Injection contains perphenazine BP 5mg in each ampoule of 1ml. Boxes of 5 and 100 ampoules, Basic NHS cost of 5 ampoules 77p.

INDICATIONS

For severe anxiety and tension states, particularly where agitation is present; anxiety associated with psychosomatic disorders, compulsive or obsessive disorders; psychotic states characterised by CNS hyperactivity, including schizophrenia of various types and senile psychoses; behaviour disorders; nausea and vomiting; and as adjunctive therapy

to analgesics in managing severe pain.

Fentazin Injection is preferred when rapid control of symptoms is essential or when oral administration is impracticable. It may be used as premedication and to control post-operative vomiting. It may be of value in the control of intractable hiccough.

DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION

The usual oral dosage is 4mg three times daily and this may be adjusted according to response but the total should not exceed 24mg daily. Fentazin Injection is given intramuscularly in a dose of 5 to 10mg, which may be followed by further doses of 5mg at six hourly

intervals. Children: Not suitable for children under 14 years of age.

CONTRA-INDICATIONS, WARNINGS, ETC.

Fentazin should not be given to patients with leucopenia or with drugs liable to cause bone-marrow depression.

It should be used with caution in patients with congestive heart failure or coronary artery disease. Unnecessary administration of drugs during the first trimester of pregnancy is undesirable.

Gride effects include extrapyramidal symptoms such as dystonia, torsion spasm and pseudo-Parkinsonism. Persistent oral dyskinesia has been reported occasionally, particularly in elderly female patients, after long-term treatment with potent phenothiazine drugs including perphenazine.

SELECTED BIRDS OF BRITAIN

SANDERLING

Calidris alba

This lively wader is a winter visitor and passage migrant seen on our coasts. It favours sandy shores. It feeds on the tide-line in company with other waders such as Dunlin and Ringed Plover. Running to and fro in search of small marine animals such as shrimps and sandhoppers, its restless behaviour is distinctive. When a flock takes to the wing a sharp 'quik-quik' call is uttered. The flight is fast and typically low over the water. The Sanderling leaves this country in the spring to breed in the Arctic. The male performs display flights, rising and then falling rapidly, singing harshly as it flies. A crude scrape in the ground is used for the nest. 4 eggs, coloured olive and speckled with brown, are produced. Both sexes are similar in appearance, having a pale winter plumage but a brighter colour with brown upper parts in summer. A length of 8 inches (20 cm) is attained.

(Illustration from "A History of British Birds" by F. O. Morris)

LEGAL CATEGORY

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PRODUCT LICENCE NUMBERS

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