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STARLING.

Trandate

(labetalol hydrochloride)

TABLETS

For the management of all grades of hypertension

PRESENTATION AND BASIC NHS COSTS

Trandate Tablets 100mg

Film-coated biconvex tablets, each containing labetalol hydrochloride 100mg, marked TRANDATE 100AH on one face. Containers of 50 £3.44 and 250 £16.40.

Trandate Tablets 200mg

Film-coated biconvex tablets, each containing labetalol hydrochloride 200mg, marked TRANDATE 200AH on one face. Containers of 50 £4.88 and 250 £22.88.

Trandate Tablets 400mg

Film-coated biconvex tablets, each containing labetalol hydrochloride 400mg, marked TRANDATE 400AH on one face. Containers of 50 £7.76 and 250 £36.88.

INDICATIONS

For the treatment of all grades of hypertension (mild, moderate and severe).

DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION

The usual initial dosage should not exceed 100mg 3 times daily. Dosage adjustment should be gradual. Most patients are controlled with 600mg daily or less, but severe cases may require up to 2,400mg daily. Administration should be after food. Once dosage is stabilised a twice-daily regimen may be introduced.

Children: Not applicable.

For use with other agents or transfer to Trandate from other drugs, see Data Sheet.

CONTRA-INDICATIONS, WARNINGS, ETC.

Trandate should not be given to patients with uncontrolled or digitalis-resistant heart failure or with atrioventricular block. Caution is necessary in patients with asthma. Patients with severe liver damage will probably require lower doses of Trandate than usual. Unnecessary administration of drugs during the first trimester of pregnancy is undesirable.

Warning: There have been reports of skin rashes and/or dry eyes associated with the use of beta-adrenoceptor blocking drugs. The reported incidence is small and in most cases the symptoms have cleared when the drug was withdrawn. Discontinuation of the drug should be considered if any such reaction is not otherwise explicable. Cessation of therapy with a beta-adrenoceptor blocking drug should be gradual.

Symptoms of postural hypotension may occur if initial dosage is too high or increased too rapidly but are uncommon, except at very high doses, if used as recommended. Mild and usually transient side effects include: headache, tiredness, dizziness, depressed mood, lethargy, difficulty in micturition, epigastric pain, and nausea and vomiting. Tingling in the

SELECTED BIRDS OF BRITAIN

STARLING

Sturnus vulgaris

The Starling is a resident found anywhere in Britain. Large noisy swarms are seen moving to roosting sites in town and country. This bird becomes a pest both in cities, with their constant bickering and fouling of masonry, and in the country when they attack soft fruit. On the other hand it destroys many harmful insects. It also takes worms, seeds and berries. The Starling mimics many sounds and bird songs. Its aggressive note is often heard at the bird table. The song is full of chatter, whistles and clicks. The male builds an untidy nest of straw and rubbish in any accessible hole. The female lines it with soft materials and lays 5-7 pale blue eggs. Male and female are generally similar in appearance, although the light colour spangles are more marked in the female. The bird reaches a length of 8½ inches (21 cm).

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

scalp has occasionally occurred but is usually transient. Rarely, a lichenoid rash has been reported which disappears on drug withdrawal.

LEGAL CATEGORY

Prescription only medicine.

PRODUCT LICENCE NUMBERS

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