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PHEASANT.

Trandate

(labetalol hydrochloride)

TABLETS

For the management of all grades of hypertension

PRESENTATIONS 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 £4.54 and 250 £21.65.

Trandate Tablets 200mg

Film-coated biconvex tablets, each containing labetalol hydrochloride 200mg, marked TRANDATE 200AH on one face. Containers of 50 £7.32 and 250 £34.30.

Trandate Tablets 400mg

Film-coated biconvex tablets, each containing labetalol hydrochloride 400mg, marked TRANDATE 400AH on one face. Containers of 50 £11.64 and 250 £55.32.

INDICATIONS

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

DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION

The usual initial dosage should not exceed 100mg three 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 The reported incidence is small and in most cases the symptoms have cleared when the drug was withdrawn. Discontinuance 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

PHEASANT

Phasianus colchicus

This famous game bird was originally introduced to Britain from Asia many centuries ago. It is now resident in all parts of Britain, and may be seen anywhere on the land, usually near cover of woodland, hedgerow or other vegetation. Seeds, insects, grain, berries, caterpillars and many other foods are taken according to the season. When disturbed it 'explodes' into the air; it alternately flies and glides in flight. Its call is a rather alarming, harsh 'kor-kork'. The nest is scanty, a scrape in dense cover, lined with grass, dead leaves and perhaps a few feathers. The hen only incubates the clutch of 8-15 pale olive coloured eggs. The male is a handsome, beautifully marked bird, whereas the female is a drabber, browner bird with a shorter tail. They reach lengths (including the tail) of 33 inches (84 cm) and 23 inches (58 cm) respectively.

(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

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Further information is available on request.

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