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hormone"

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PERANDREN

in the Male Climacteric

Almost all physicians have among their patients, men who complain of excessive fatigability, depression, irritability, lack of self-confidence and inability to concentrate. These symptoms are frequently experienced by those who are under mental and physical strain induced by heavy responsibility, and they may occur at almost any period of adult life, although they are usually seen in the older age group. Loss of potency and libido may also be a complaint and such patients were, until a few years ago, classified as "neurasthenic."

Although the concept of a climacteric in the male is not universally accepted, it is known that the level of secretion of testosterone declines in middle age, as a result of the waning of the activity of the interstitial cells of the testes. Objective evidence that the syndrome described above may be due to an androgen-deficiency is provided not only by the frequency with which testosterone therapy relieves the symptoms, but by the fact that urinary gonadotrophin may be present in increased quantity, just as in surgical castrates.

If therefore the symptoms cannot be ascribed to some other cause, it is logical to prescribe a course of Perandren treatment, which will usually provide relief within two to three weeks—frequently within a few days. The primary aim of treatment should be the general constitutional improvement produced by the anabolic effects of Perandren and not the restoration of potency and libido.

***INCREASED MENTAL AND PHYSICAL
ENDURANCE ARE THE OUTSTANDING
FEATURES OF PERANDREN THERAPY***

DOSAGE

10-30 mg. methyltestosterone

(Perandren 'Linguets') daily

This testosterone derivative, by sublingual or buccal administration, is approximately twice as effective as when swallowed. The official sublingual dosage in the XIIIth edition of the Pharmacopoeia of the U.S.A. is only half that of the oral dose. The 'Linguets' are allowed to dissolve under the tongue, or between the cheek and gum, thus securing direct absorption into the blood stream and avoiding inactivation of the active principle by the liver or intestinal enzymes.

For the initiation of treatment, consideration may be given to the intramuscular injection of:

25 mg. testosterone propionate

(Perandren Ampoules) 2-3 times a week.

STRENGTHS AVAILABLE

PERANDREN 'LINGUETS' (*methyltestosterone B.P.*)

5 mg., 10 mg., 25 mg. and 50 mg.

PERANDREN AMPOULES (*testosterone propionate B.P.*)

5 mg., 10 mg., 25 mg., 50 mg. and 100 mg.

NOTE: It is not advisable to use testosterone or its derivatives when prostatic carcinoma is present. On the other hand, there is no evidence whatsoever that they induce this condition.

NOTE

When Ciba first introduced the pure male hormone, Perandren, its cost was comparatively high, and many physicians may not be aware that the rapidly extending use being made of it, together with improved methods of manufacture, have resulted in many price reductions over the last few years.

The National Formulary 1949 includes tablets of methyltestosterone and refers to its sublingual administration in the "hints to prescribers" section. In the British Pharmaceutical Codex 1949 it is stated that "the maximal effect is obtained from sublingual absorption."

Perandren 'Linguets,' although so much more effective than tablets of methyltestosterone, cost no more.

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