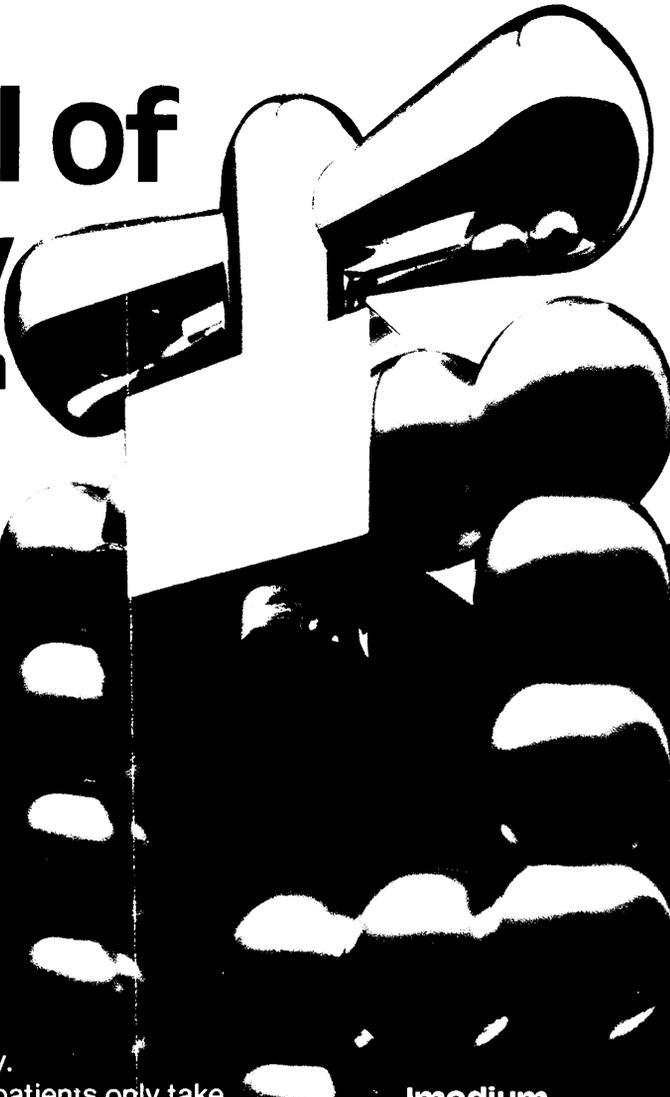


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Basic NHS Cost :

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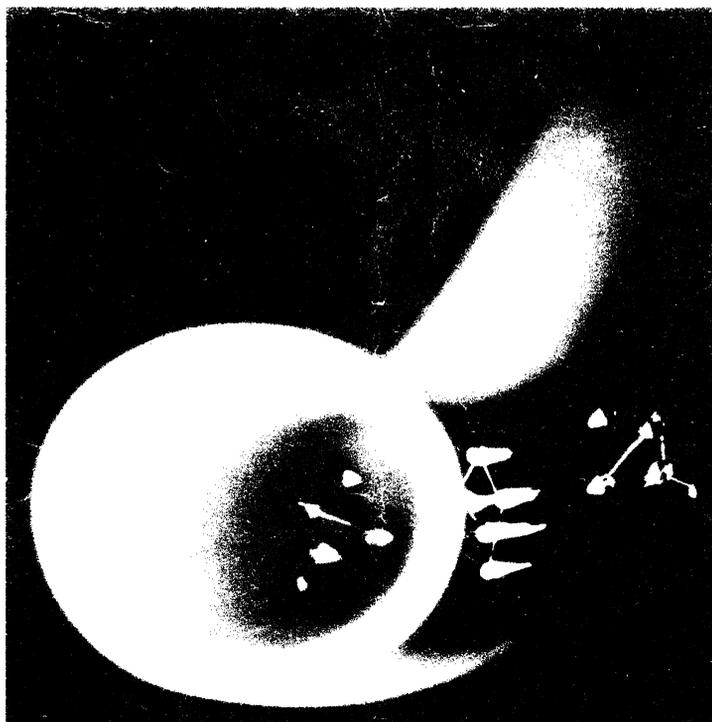
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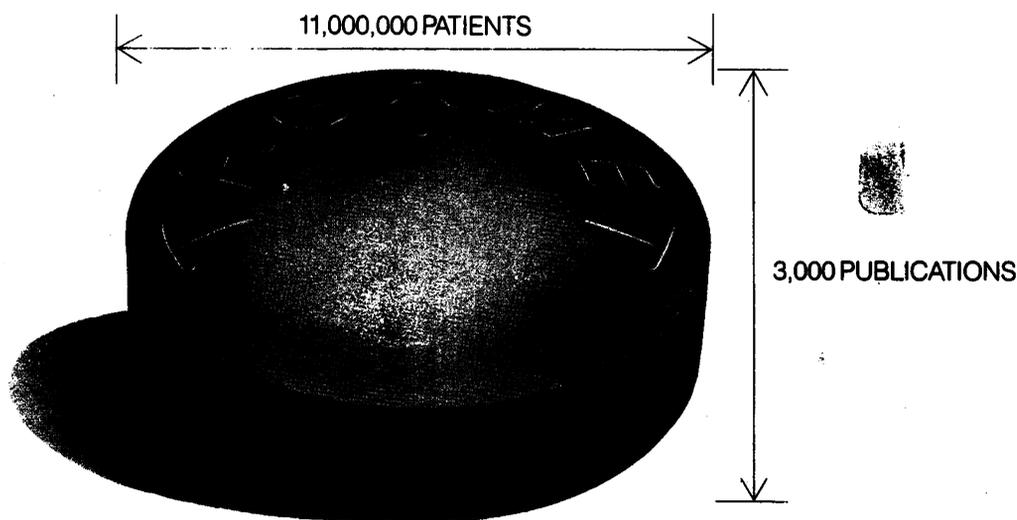
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Cautions Impaired renal function: reduce dosage (see Data Sheet).

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