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New Motilium Suspension

(domperidone)

**the first specific peripheral anti-nauseant/anti-emetic
-for a well composed stomach**

MOTILIUM® Prescribing Information Presentation: White tablets containing domperidone maleate equivalent to 10mg domperidone base. Sweet tasting, white suspension containing domperidone 1mg/ml. 2ml colourless ampoules each containing 5mg/ml domperidone. **Uses:** Adults: acute nausea and vomiting from any cause. Children: nausea and vomiting following cancer chemotherapy or irradiation only. **Dosage:** Adults: 10-20mg by mouth or 1-2 ampoules by IM or IV injection at 4-8 hourly intervals. Patients requiring intravenous MOTILIUM® who are also receiving concomitant cytotoxic chemotherapy or who are predisposed to hypokalaemia or cardiac arrhythmias should receive an infusion diluted 1:10 with saline over 15-30 minutes. **Contra-indications, Warnings etc:** No specific contra-indications. MOTILIUM® produces a rise in serum prolactin, however the clinical relevance of this has not been established. Although no teratogenic effects have been observed in animals, the safety of MOTILIUM® in pregnancy has not yet been established. **Product Licence Numbers:** Tablets 0242/0071. Injection 0242/0073. Suspension 0242/0077. **Basic NHS Cost:** 9p per 10mg tablet (ex 250 pack). Pack of 10 ampoules: £3.10. Bottle of 200ml suspension: £1.80 (Correct at time of printing). Further information is available from: **lanssen Pharmaceutical Limited**, Grove, Wantage, Oxon, OX12 0DD. *Trademark © IPI/154/83

"When I get a cold sore all I want to do is hide my face"



Last year, 15,000,000 attacks of cold sores were suffered. 500,000¹ of them were so severe, or so embarrassing, that patients sought treatment from their doctor.

Now, there is new Zovirax Cream, an important achievement of Wellcome antiviral research.

Fiddian *et al.*² found that treatment with Zovirax Cream achieved impressive results.

When treatment was begun before lesions developed, 42% of lesions were suppressed, compared to only 11% with placebo ($P=0.04$).

For the best results, treatment with Zovirax Cream should begin as soon as possible during an attack, preferably during the prodrome, so that the

"... proportion of lesions effectively aborting may be increased to a third or more."²

So when patients come to you suffering from recurrent cold sores, prescribe Zovirax Cream.

With early treatment, the cold sores may not show their face.

¹Data on file

²Fiddian, A.P. *et al.* (1983), *British Medical Journal*, 286, 1699

At the first sign of a cold sore
NEW ZOVIRAX CREAM

ACYCLOVIR

Prescribing Information: Zovirax Cream

Presentation
Acyclovir 5% w/w in a white aqueous cream base.

Uses
Treatment of herpes simplex infections of the skin including initial and recurrent genital herpes and herpes labialis.

Dosage and Administration
Zovirax Cream is applied five times daily at approximately four-hourly intervals. Treatment should be continued for

5 days. If healing is not complete, treatment may be continued for a further 5 days. Therapy should begin as early as possible after the start of an infection, preferably during the prodromal period.

Contra-indications
Patients known to be hypersensitive to acyclovir or propylene glycol.

Warnings and adverse effects
Transient burning or stinging following application may

occur. Erythema or mild drying and flaking of the skin have been reported in a small proportion of patients.

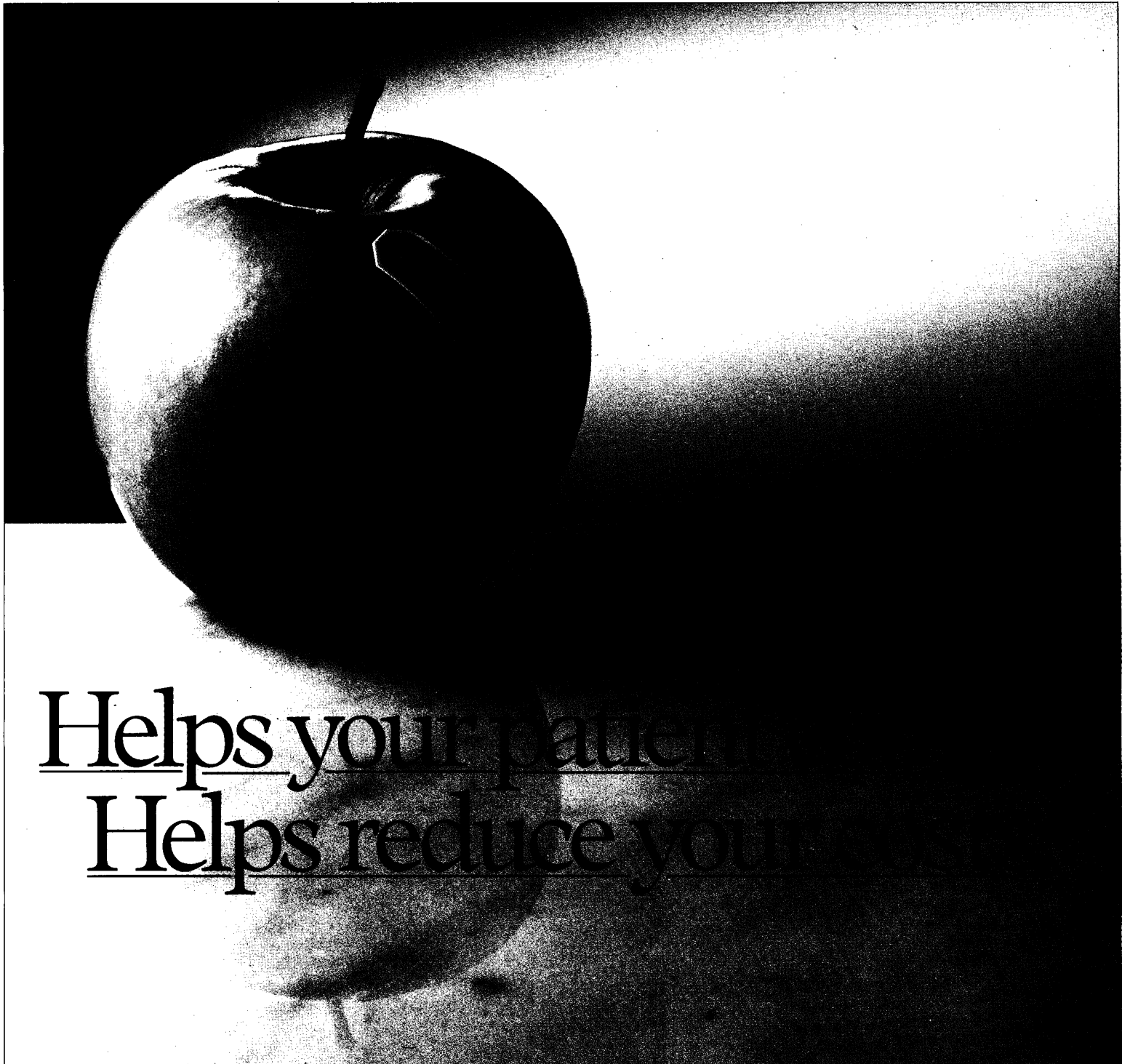
Basic NHS cost
2g tube £4.86 10g tube £14.66
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New Nolvadex Forte

ICI tamoxifen

40mg once daily in breast cancer

Prescribing Notes. **Uses** The treatment of breast cancer. **Presentation** White tablet containing tamoxifen 40mg. **Dosage/administration** Dose range is 20 to 40mg. daily, as single dose. **Contraindications, warnings etc.** Not to be given during pregnancy; premenopausal patients must be examined before treatment to exclude possibility of pregnancy. **Side effects** 'Nolvadex' Forte suppresses menstruation in some premenopausal patients. Reversible cystic ovarian swellings have occurred very occasionally in premenopausal patients receiving 80mg. daily. A small number of patients have developed hypercalcaemia on initiation of therapy. Reported side effects include hot flushes, vaginal bleeding, pruritus vulvae; gastrointestinal intolerance, tumour flare, light-headedness, fluid retention;

transient falls in platelet count. A few cases of visual disturbance, corneal changes and/or retinopathy have been described, mainly following long-term high dosage. Severe side effects may sometimes be controlled by dosage reduction; otherwise, treatment may need to be stopped. **Overdosage** Theoretically, overdosage would cause antioestrogenic effects. Extreme overdosage (eg 100 times daily dosage) may produce oestrogenic effects. No specific antidote. **Packaging** Containers of 30 tablets. **Product licence no.** 0029/0176. **Basic NHS price** £27.14 per pack of 30. 'Nolvadex' is the trademark for ICI tamoxifen. Full information is available upon request. Imperial Chemical Industries PLC, Pharmaceuticals Division, Alderley House, Alderley Park, Macclesfield, Cheshire SK10 4TF. 

'Fenbid'. Arthritis th

Conventional arthritis therapy can result in large variations in drug serum levels. If the levels fall too low an adequate effect may not be achieved. If they are too high, side effects are more likely.

'Fenbid' is a sustained-release preparation of



PRESCRIBING INFORMATION. **Presentation** — 'Fenbid' Capsules, PL 0002/0111, each containing 300 mg ibuprofen in sustained-release form. 120, £8.40. **Indications** — Rheumatoid arthritis, osteoarthritis, ankylosing spondylitis, other seronegative (non-rheumatoid) arthropathies; acute periarticular disorders; relief of mild to moderate pain in sprains, strains, low back pain, dysmenorrhoea; dental and post-operative pain. **Dosage** — Adults and children over 12 years: Start with 2 capsules night and morning. May be increased to 3 capsules b.d. until acute phase is controlled. Maintenance: 1 or 2 b.d. Do not chew or suck capsules or pellets. Capsule may be opened and pellets mixed with soft food. **Contra-indication** — Active peptic ulceration. **Cautions** — Gastrointestinal disease (but may be tolerated in patients with intolerance to other anti-rheumatic drugs); actual or history of bronchial asthma. Monitor

therapy on the level.

ibuprofen formulated to reduce these highs and lows.
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There are few asthmatics more at risk than the undermedicated child and yet undertreatment of childhood asthma is the disturbing conclusion reached in a recent survey¹

Becotide is capable of producing a significant improvement in childhood asthma, enabling them to achieve adult life without impairment of their educational and career prospects²

1. Speight ANP *et al.* Br. Med. J. 1983; 286: 1,253-58.

2. Morrison Smith J. In: Steroids in Asthma. Chap. XII: ADIS Press Limited, Auckland, NZ, 1983: 192-209.

Prescribing Information Uses: Bronchial asthma especially in patients whose asthma is not adequately controlled by bronchodilators.

Dosage and administration: Becotide Inhaler - Adults: 4 puffs twice daily or 2 puffs four times daily is the usual maintenance dose.

Severe cases, initially 12-16 puffs daily, reducing according to response. **Children:** 1 or 2 puffs two to four times daily.

Becotide Rotacaps - Adults: 400 micrograms twice daily or 200 micrograms four times daily is the usual maintenance dose. **Children:**

100 micrograms two to four times daily. **Contra-indications:** None known but special care is necessary in patients with active or quiescent

pulmonary tuberculosis. **Precautions:** A short course of oral steroids in addition to Becotide may be required in patients with excessive

mucus in the respiratory tract. Unnecessary administration of drugs during the first trimester of pregnancy is undesirable. Transfer of

patients to Becotide from systemic steroid therapy requires special care - see data sheet for detailed procedure. **Side effects:** Occasional

candidiasis in some patients. **Presentation and basic NHS cost:** Becotide Inhaler is a metered-dose aerosol delivering 50 micrograms

Beclomethasone Dipropionate BP per actuation. Each canister containing 200 inhalations, £4.77. Becotide Rotacaps 100 micrograms

200 micrograms each contain a mixture of the stated amount of microfine Beclomethasone Dipropionate BP and larger particle lactose in buff/colourless and

brown/colourless hard gelatine capsules. Containers of 100, £7.26 and £9.67 respectively. Becotide Rotahaler for use with Becotide Rotacaps 78p.

Product licence numbers: Becotide Inhaler 0045/0089, Becotide Rotacaps 100 micrograms 0045/0119, Becotide Rotacaps 200 micrograms 0045/0120.



Further information is available on request from:
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SHIELDING THE PATIENT ACROSS THE SPECTRUM

PRESCRIBING INFORMATION Presentation Vials containing 0.5g, 1.0g, 2.0g and 5.0g mezlocillin as mezlocillin sodium monohydrate. Infusion Pack containing 3x5.0g infusion vials, 3x50ml Water for Injections BP, 3x Transfer needles, 3x Hanging bags. **Uses** The treatment of systemic or local infections caused by susceptible organisms, and prophylaxis of post-operative sepsis following abdominal surgery and vaginal hysterectomy. **Dosage and administration** Patients with normal renal function should receive 2.0g 8 hourly for non life-threatening conditions, urinary or biliary tract infections. In life-threatening conditions or infections due to *Pseudomonas* species 5.0g 8 hourly. **Prophylactic dosage** 2.0g i.v. to be given pre-operatively followed by 2 injections of 2.0g post-operatively at 8 hourly intervals. Patients with renal insufficiency should receive the appropriate doses as above at 12 hourly intervals. Monitoring serum levels in these patients is recommended. **Children's dosage** is based on 75mg/kg twice daily for neonates and premature babies and 3x75mg/kg for infants. Duration of treatment is usually 7-10 days. **Infusion Pack** See detailed instructions on Packaging Leaflet. **Contra-indications** Penicillin hypersensitivity. First trimester of pregnancy. **Side-effects** As for other penicillins. **Pharmaceutical precautions** Mezlocillin should be freshly prepared prior to administration by shaking with a suitable volume of Water for Injections until completely dissolved; unused solution should be discarded. **Basic NHS cost** £1.60 per g (ex 5.0g vial). **Product Licence Numbers** PL0010/0070, Water for Injections BP: PL1502/0003.

Further information is available from: Bayer UK Limited, Pharmaceutical Division, Bayer House, Strawberry Hill, Newbury, Berkshire RG13 1JA. Telephone: Newbury (0635) 39000. **References** 1. Keighley MRB, BMJ 1983; 286: 1844-1846. 2. Ambrose NS, et al. Paper presented at XIIIth International Congress of Chemotherapy, Vienna 1983. 3. Fass RJ, Arch Intern Med 1980; 140: 763-8.

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fast, dependable relief of

post-operative pain
post-episiotomy pain
dental pain
dysmenorrhoea
non-articular rheumatism
soft-tissue injuries

Prescribing Information. Presentation: Light-magenta, film-coated tablets containing 600mg of Ibuprofen B.P. **Uses:** Rheumatoid arthritis (including Still's disease), ankylosing spondylitis, osteoarthritis and other non-rheumatoid arthropathies. Non-articular rheumatic conditions such as capsulitis, bursitis, tendinitis, tenosynovitis, low back pain, soft tissue injuries. As an analgesic in mild to moderate pain. **Dosage:** Adult: Brufen 600 is indicated three times daily (1800mg/day) for acute conditions. Total daily dose should not exceed 400mg. **Contra-indications:** Severe or active peptic ulceration. **Warnings:** Prescribe with caution in patients with asthma and those who have developed bronchospasm with other nonsteroidal agents. Avoid, if possible, during pregnancy. **Side-effects:** Dyspepsia, gastrointestinal intolerance and bleeding; skin rashes. Less frequently, thrombocytopenia; rarely toxic amblyopia. **Basic N.H.S. Price:** Brufen 600 100 pack £8.55. **Product Licence No:** Brufen 600 PL0014/0264. Brufen is a registered Trademark.



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Further information on Brufen 600 is available on request.

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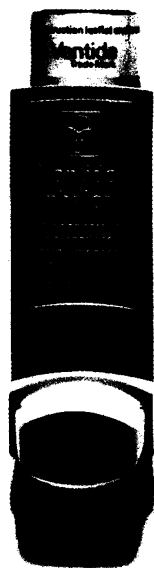
A prescription for Ventide provides comprehensive maintenance for chronic asthma.

If you prescribe Ventolin and Becotide to control your patient's asthma, it is important that both drugs are taken regularly.

By combining Ventolin and Becotide in one inhaler Ventide provides the same therapy with half the number of inhalations.

Compliance with maintenance therapy in chronic asthma can therefore be improved by prescribing Ventide.

Ventide should not be taken instead of Ventolin for the treatment of acute attacks.



Ventide

(Salbutamol BP & Beclomethasone Dipropionate BP)

A logical combination

Uses

This association of Salbutamol BP with Beclomethasone Dipropionate BP is specially provided for those patients who require regular doses of both drugs for treatment of their obstructive airways disease. Ventide Inhaler is not intended for use as a first-line treatment but is for use once the need for inhaled corticosteroid therapy has been established.

Dosage and administration

Adults: 2 inhalations (200 micrograms salbutamol and 100 micrograms beclomethasone dipropionate) three or four times a day.

Children: 1 or 2 inhalations (100 micrograms to 200 micrograms salbutamol and 50 micrograms to 100 micrograms beclomethasone dipropionate) two, three or four times a day.

Contra-indications, warnings, etc.

Contra-indications: Although intravenous salbutamol and occasionally salbutamol tablets are used to prevent premature labour Ventolin preparations should not be used for threatened abortion during the first or second trimesters.

Precautions: Patients should be instructed in the proper use of the inhaler to ensure that the drugs reach the target areas within the lungs.

Patients should be made aware that Ventide Inhaler should be used regularly for optimum benefit. However, patients should be regularly reassessed so that their continuing need for corticosteroid therapy can also be reviewed.

Ventide Inhaler is not for use in acute attacks but for routine long-term management so some patients will require a separate Ventolin Inhaler for relief of acute bronchospasm. However, should the effect of the additional Ventolin Inhaler or the relief provided by the Ventide Inhaler last for less than four hours, patients should be advised that this may indicate that their asthma is worsening and to seek medical advice in case treatment with inhaled corticosteroids needs to be increased or treatment with systemic corticosteroids needs to be started or increased.

The maximum daily intake of inhaled beclomethasone dipropionate should not exceed 1mg. Significant reduction of plasma cortisol levels has been reported in some patients who received twice this amount. For those patients who are steroid-dependent it is advisable to commence therapy with beclomethasone dipropionate as the separate aerosol, Becotide Inhaler. Instructions regarding the introduction of Becotide Inhaler as full or part

Prescribing information

replacement for systemic steroids are given in the Data Sheet for Becotide Inhaler. Patients who have been weaned in the previous few months from long-term systemic corticosteroids need special consideration until the hypothalamic-pituitary-adrenal system has recovered sufficiently to enable the patient to cope with emergencies such as trauma, surgery or infections. Such patients should carry a warning indicating that they need supplementary systemic steroid during periods of stress, until their adrenocortical function has become normal. These patients should also be given a supply of oral steroid to use in emergency when their airways obstruction worsens.

Special care is necessary in patients with active or quiescent pulmonary tuberculosis.

Ventide Inhaler should be administered cautiously to patients suffering from thyrotoxicosis.

Unnecessary administration of drugs during the first trimester of pregnancy is undesirable.

Side effects: No major side effects have been reported in patients taking salbutamol and beclomethasone dipropionate by inhalation from the metered-dose device. Candidiasis of the mouth and throat (thrush) occurs in some patients inhaling beclomethasone dipropionate. Patients with high blood levels of *Candida* precipitins, indicating a previous infection, are more likely to develop this complication. The incidence of candidiasis is increased with doses greater than 400 micrograms beclomethasone dipropionate per day. The condition usually responds to topical antifungal therapy without discontinuing treatment with Ventide Inhaler.

Presentation and Basic NHS cost

Ventide Inhaler is a metered-dose aerosol which delivers 100 micrograms Salbutamol BP and 50 micrograms Beclomethasone Dipropionate BP per actuation, into the mouthpiece of a specially designed actuator. Basic NHS cost £7.41.

Product licence number 0045/0122.



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Presentation Vials containing 500mg, 1g or 2g of cefotaxime sodium. **Indications** Infections before identification of the organism. Infections caused by bacteria of established sensitivity, including chest infections, septicaemia, urinary tract infections, soft tissue infections, obstetric and gynaecological infections, bone and joint infections, meningitis, gonorrhoea. **Dosage** Claforan is administered i.m. or i.v. Adults: Moderate infections: 1g, 12-hourly. Severe infections: up to 12g daily in 3 or 4 divided doses. For infections caused by sensitive *Pseudomonas* spp., doses of more than 8g daily are usually required. Children: 100-150mg/kg/day in 2 to 4 divided doses. Up to 200mg/kg/day may be given in very severe infections. Neonates: 50mg/kg body weight daily in 2 to 4 equally divided doses. In cases of severe infection, divided daily doses of 150-200mg/kg have been given. **Contra-indications** Known allergy to cephalosporins. **Precautions** Cephalosporin antibiotics may usually be given safely to patients who are hypersensitive to penicillins. Special care is indicated in patients who have had an anaphylactic response to penicillin. Patients with severe renal dysfunction - see previous. Cephalosporin antibiotics at high dosage should be given with caution to patients receiving aminoglycoside antibiotics or potent diuretics such as frusemide. At recommended doses, enhancement of nephrotoxicity is unlikely with Claforan. A false-positive reaction to glucose may occur with reducing substances. Claforan should not be mixed in the syringe with aminoglycoside antibiotics. The safety of Claforan in human pregnancy has not been established. **Side effects** Adverse reactions are rare and generally mild and transient, but include diarrhoea, candidiasis, rashes, fever, eosinophilia, leukopenia, transient rises in liver transaminase and alkaline phosphatase, transient pain at the site of injection and phlebitis. **Product licence number** 0109/0074. **Package quantities and basic N.H.S. price** Vials of 500mg, 1g and 2g in packs of 10. One gram vial £4.95. **Date of preparation** May 1983. Further information available from: Roussel Laboratories Ltd., Wembley, Middlesex HA9 0NF.



Excellent coverage

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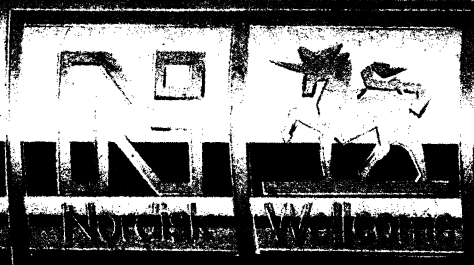
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The Nordisk and Wellcome Foundations in diabetes.

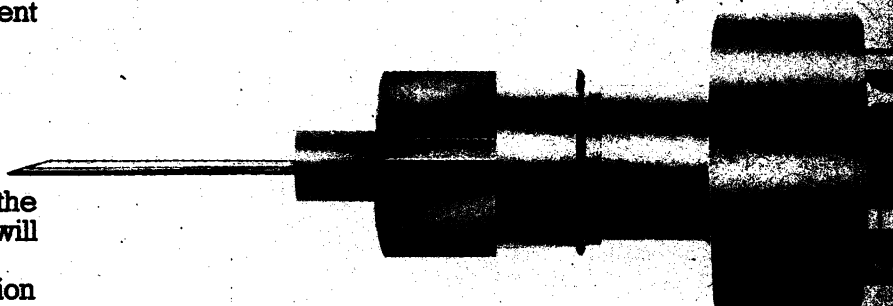
Nordisk Insulinlaboratorium, the Danish charitable Foundation, has been at the forefront of insulin innovation for sixty years. Through a dedicated research programme Nordisk has been first with slow-acting insulin preparations, first to concentrate production on pork and first to bring to patients and physicians the benefits of single-vial mixes.

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As may be expected of two highly regarded research based organisations, further important product developments will be announced under the Nordisk and Wellcome symbol, substantiating their claim that with proper care the effect of diabetes on quality of life can be further minimised.



Nordisk and Wellcome in diabetes Caring in concert

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Surrey KT18 5QJ.
Telephone No: Burgh Heath (07373) 60621

The Wellcome Foundation Limited,
Crewe Hall, Crewe, Cheshire CW1 1UB.
Telephone No: Crewe (0270) 583151

according to the needs of the patient. Avoid accidental intramuscular injection. **CONTRA-INDICATIONS AND WARNINGS** Insulin is contra-indicated in hypoglycaemia. In the event of overdosage, glucose should be given either orally or intravenously. Glucagon may also be administered. Insulatard, Mixtard 30/70 and Iniatard 80/50 should not be given intravenously. Treatment with cortico-steroids, oral contraceptives or thyroid hormones may lead to an increase in dosage requirements. Beta-blockers may affect insulin requirements and mask hypoglycaemia. Insulin must only be used in U100 syringes. **PHARMACEUTICAL PRECAUTIONS** Store at 2-8 degrees C, protected from sunlight. Do not freeze. **LEGAL CATEGORY P. BANCHE 1** **VELOSULIN:** 40 iu/ml £2.34, 80 iu/ml £4.62, 100 iu/ml £6.32. **INSULATARD, MIXTARD 30/70, INIATARD 80/50:** 40 iu/ml £2.39, 80 iu/ml £4.71, 100 iu/ml £6.44. **PRODUCT LICENSES:** 3132/0001-11-18 and 0003/0186/7/8. Insulatard 3132/0001-02-18 and 0003/0188/90/91. Mixtard 30/70 3132/0004-15-21 and 0003/0182/7/8.

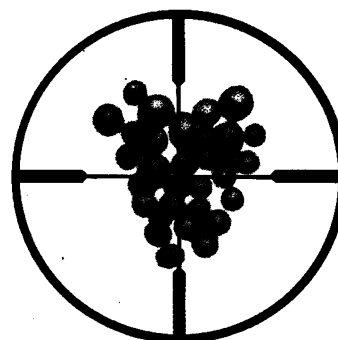
Aim at the most likely cause of wound infections.

The most likely cause of wound infections in hospital is *Staphylococcus aureus*.¹ Unfortunately this organism is now usually resistant to many widely used antibiotics such as penicillin V and G, ampicillin and amoxycillin.²

It is therefore important, in the treatment of these infections, to choose an antibiotic upon which you can depend to eradicate *Staphylococcus aureus*.

Floxapen is active against 98% of isolates of *Staphylococcus aureus*²; you can rely on it for effective treatment.

Make Floxapen your first choice for wound infections.



Floxapen


flucloxacillin


accurate against Staph.


References 1. J. Hosp. Inf. 1981, 2 (Suppl.), 29-34.
2. Audit of Antibiotic Sensitivity Reports 1981, Market Investigations (P & A) plc.

PRESCRIBING INFORMATION Uses Floxapen is a penicillinase-stable penicillin, indicated for the treatment of infections due to Gram-positive organisms, including infections caused by penicillinase-producing staphylococci. **Dosage** ADULTS: ORAL 250mg q.i.d. IM = 250mg q.i.d. IV = 250-500mg q.i.d. CHILDREN 2-10 years: 1/2 adult dose. Under 2 years: 1/4 adult dose. Systemic dosages may be doubled where necessary. **Administration** ORAL: Oral doses should be administered 1/2-1 hour before meals. Floxapen syrup may be diluted with syrup B.P. INTRAMUSCULAR: Add 15 ml Water for Injections B.P. to 250mg vial contents or 2ml Water for Injections B.P. to 500mg vial contents. INTRAVENOUS: Dissolve 250-500mg in 5-10ml Water for Injections B.P. or 1g in 15-20ml Water for Injections B.P. Administer by slow intravenous injection (three to four minutes). Floxapen may also be added to infusion fluids or injected, suitably diluted, into the drip tube over a period of three to four minutes. For information on dosage and administration of Floxapen by intrapleural, intra-articular and intrathecal injection or by Nebuliser solution please refer to the Data sheet or Package Enclosure Leaflet. **Contra-indications** Penicillin hypersensitivity; ocular administration. **Side-effects** As with other penicillins.

Availability and basic NHS prices
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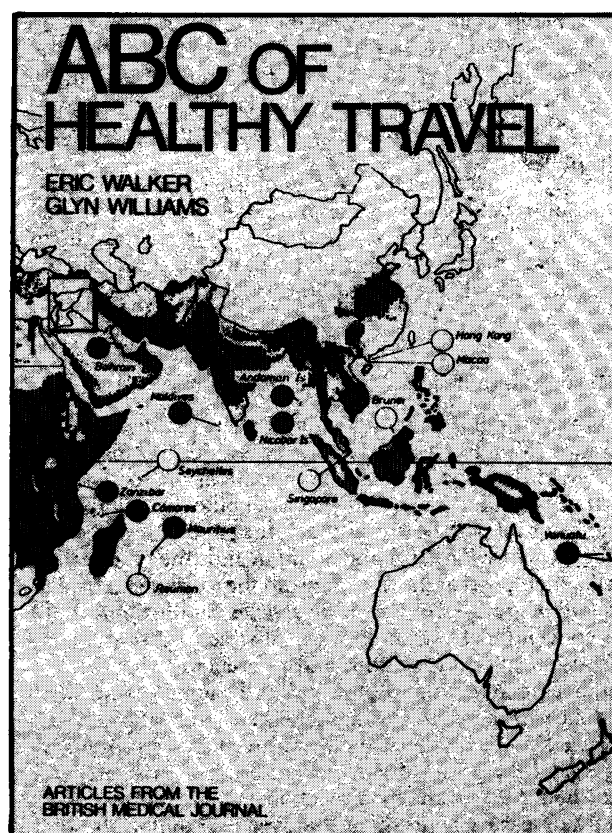
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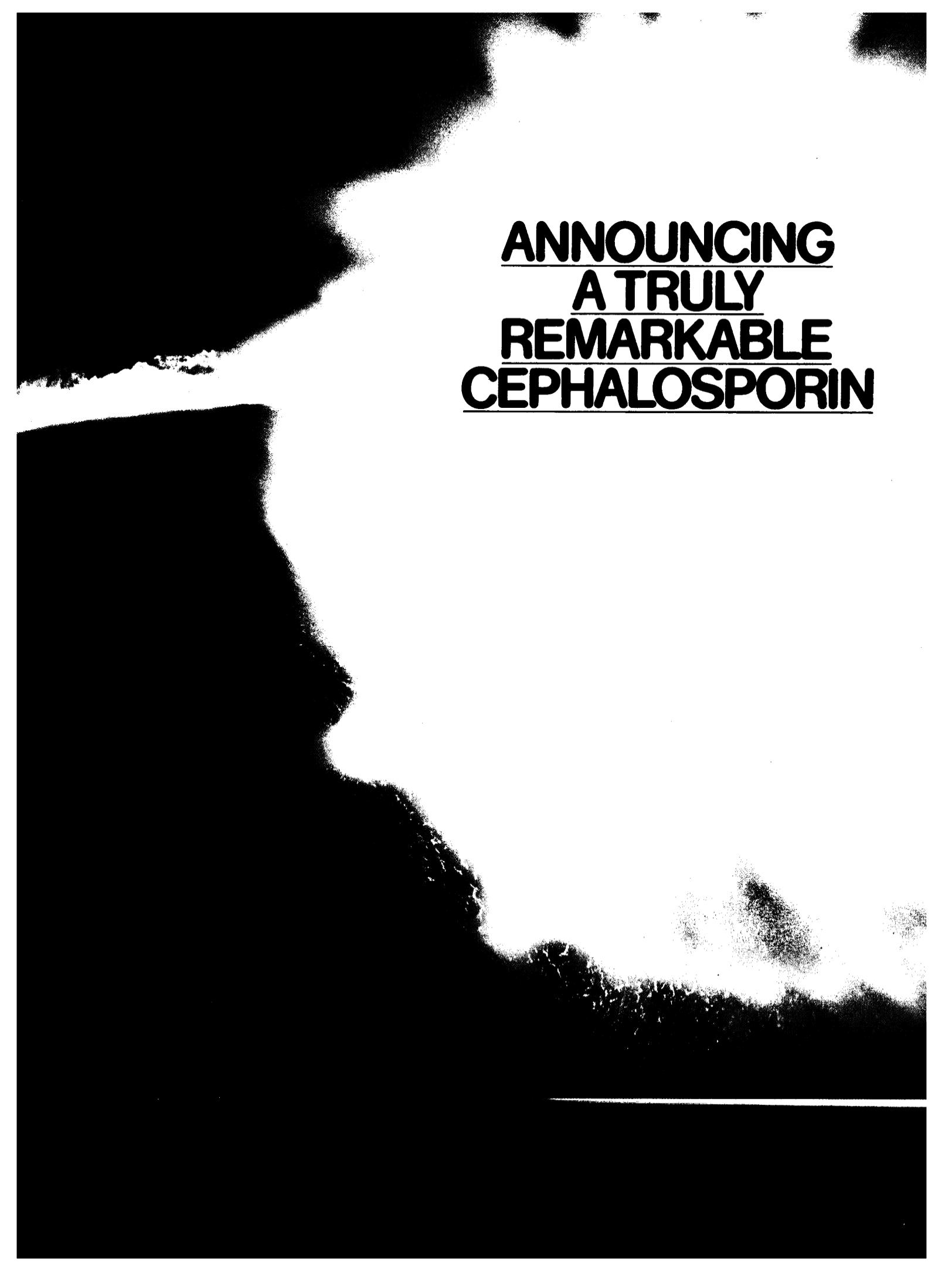
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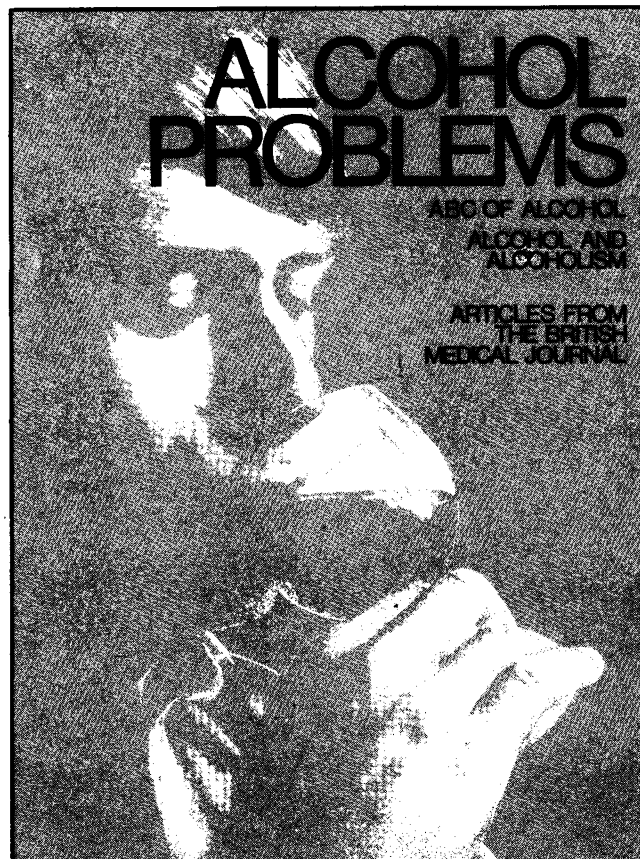
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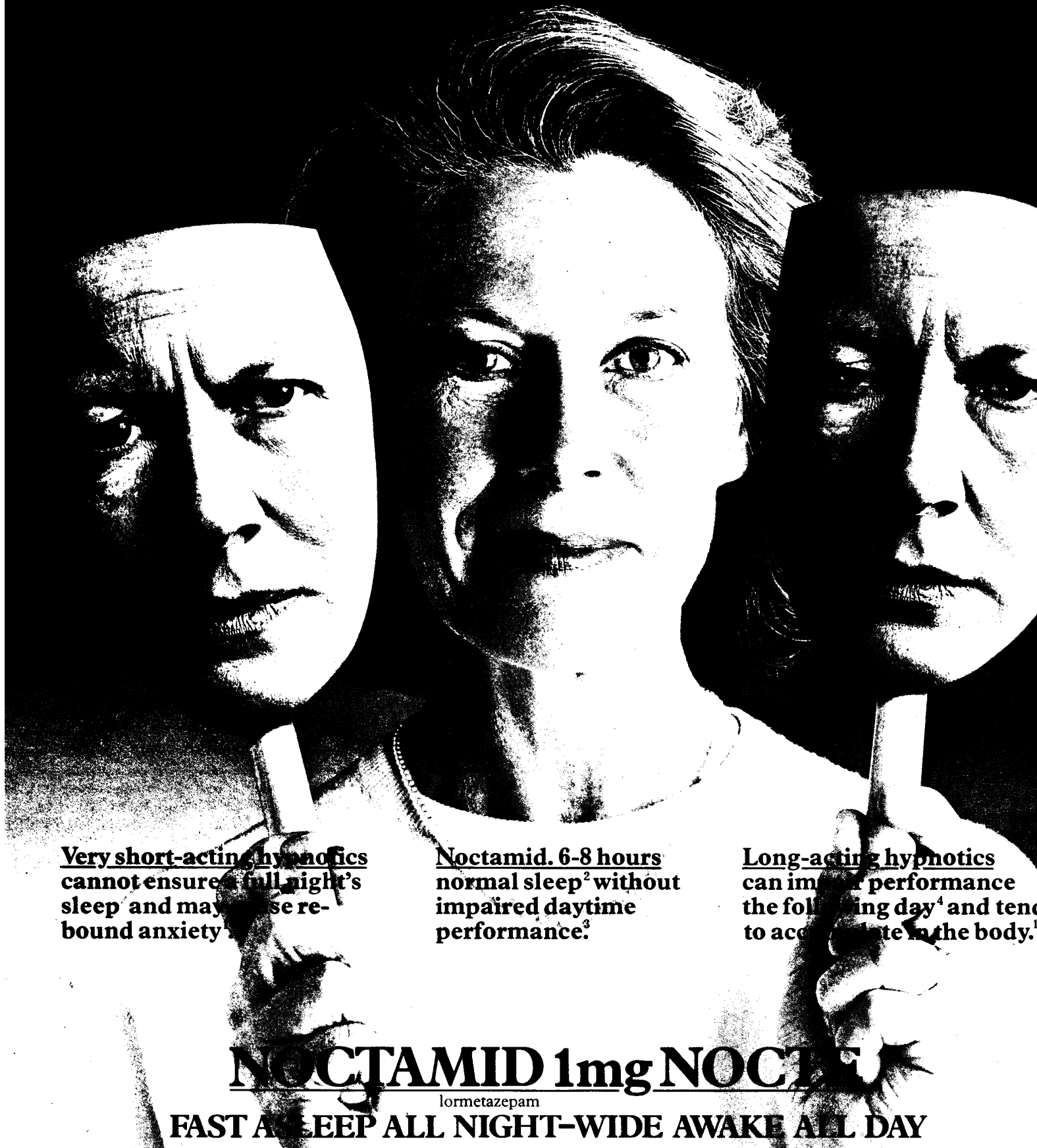
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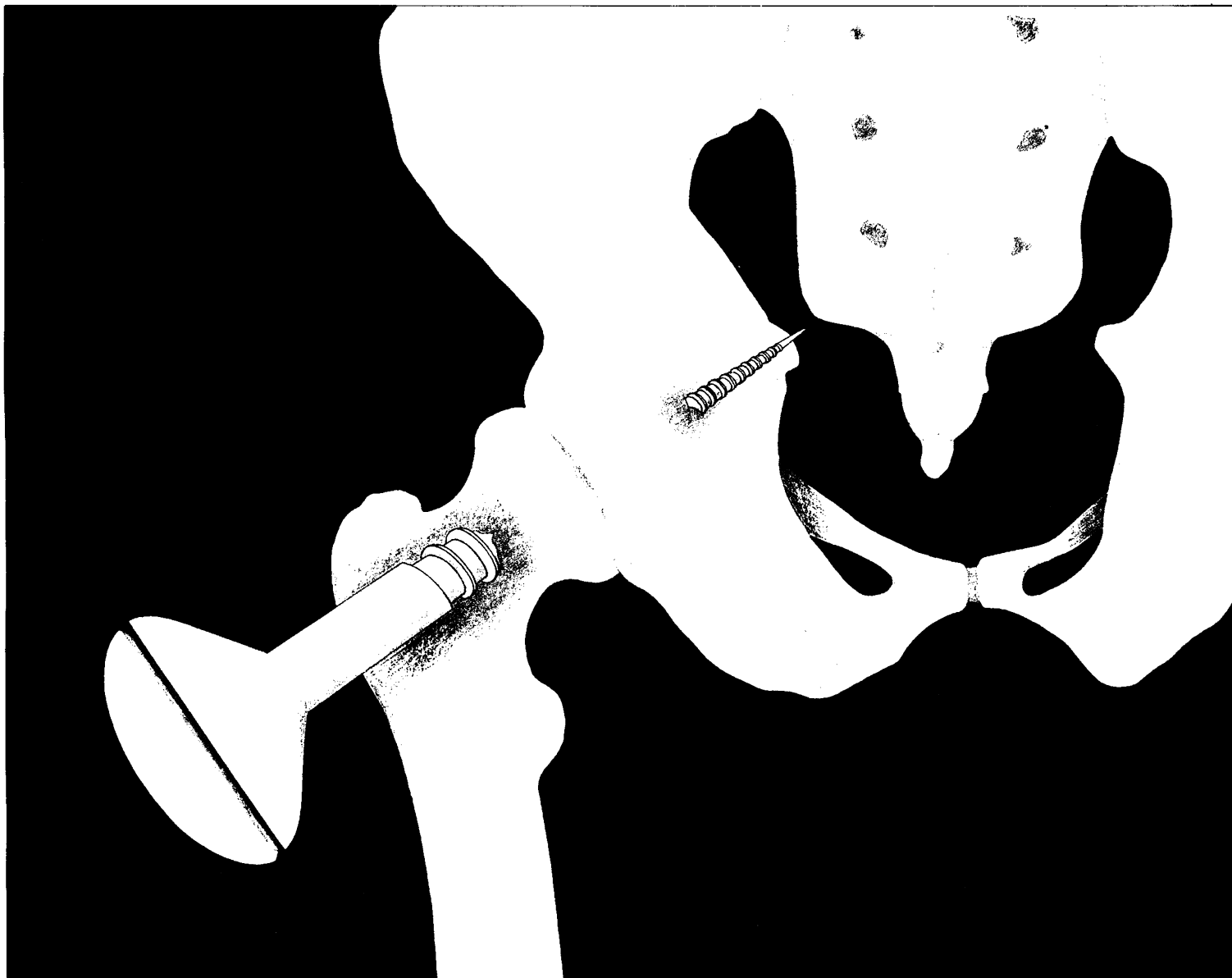
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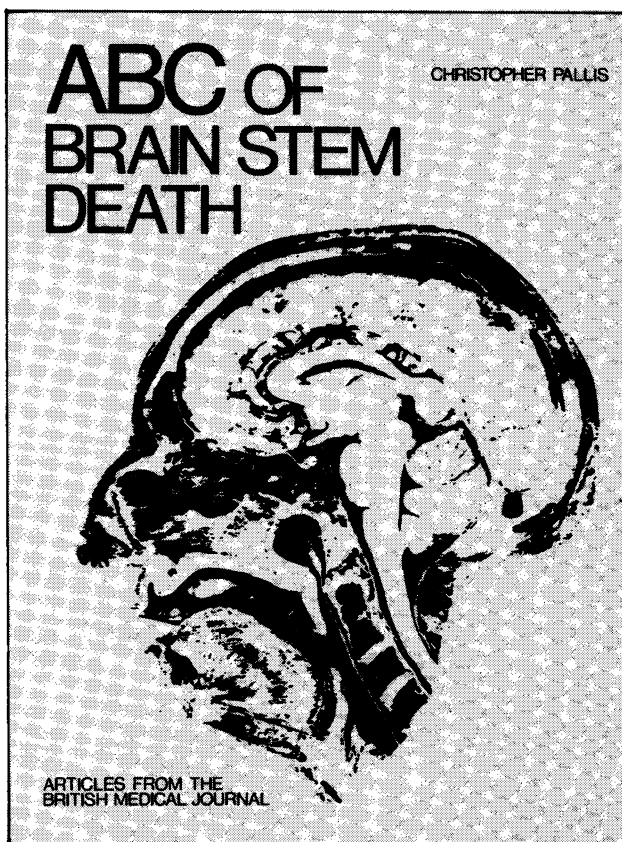
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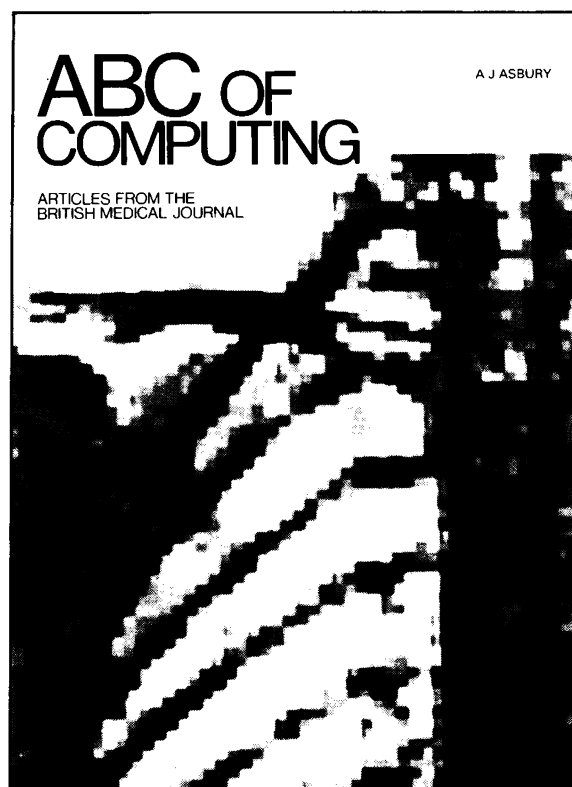
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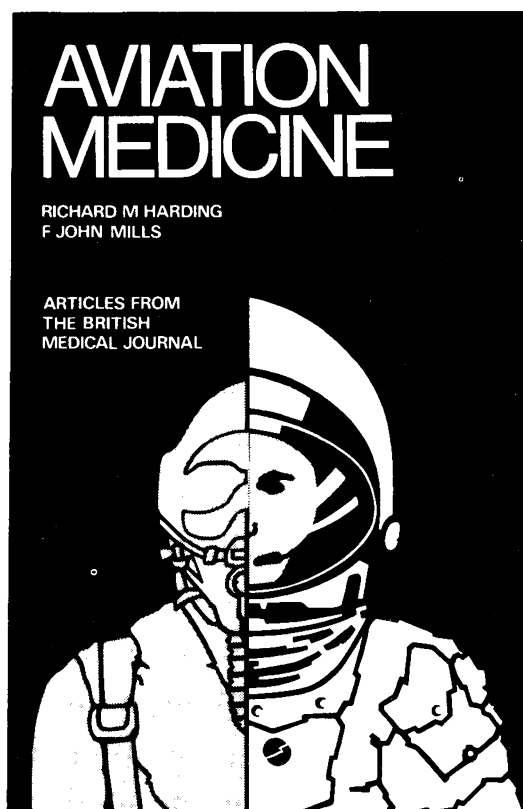
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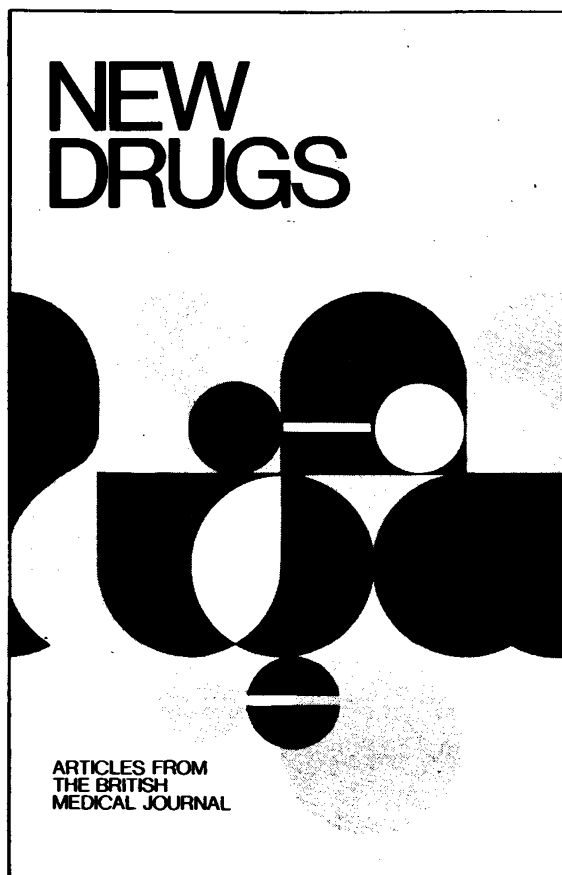
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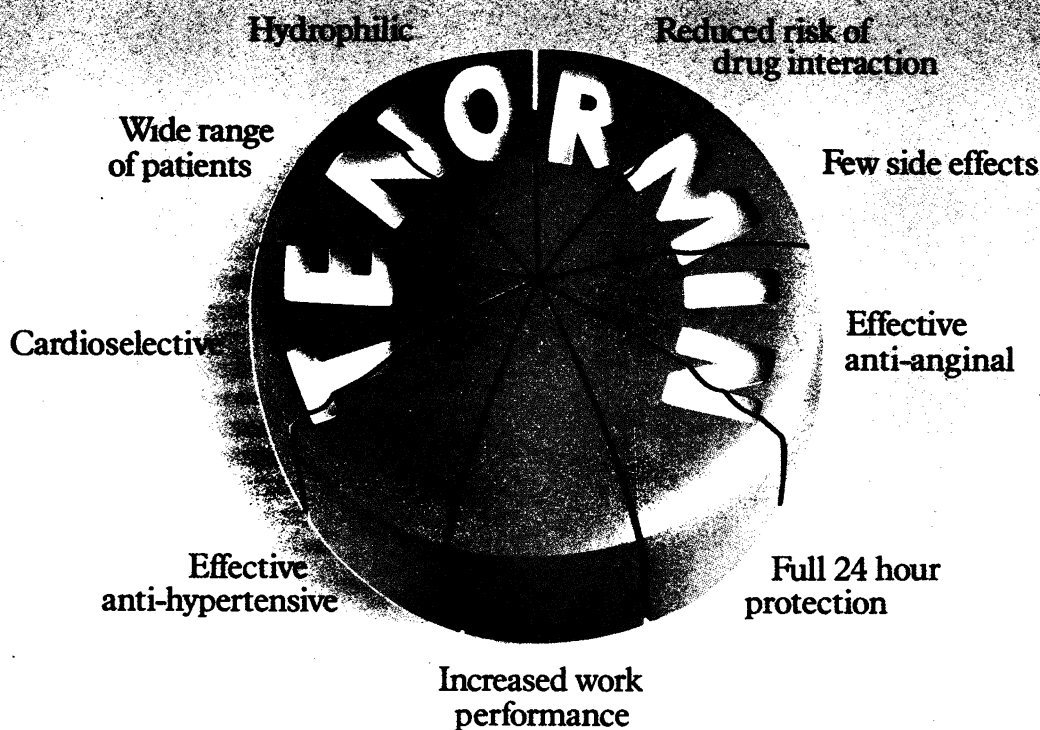
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