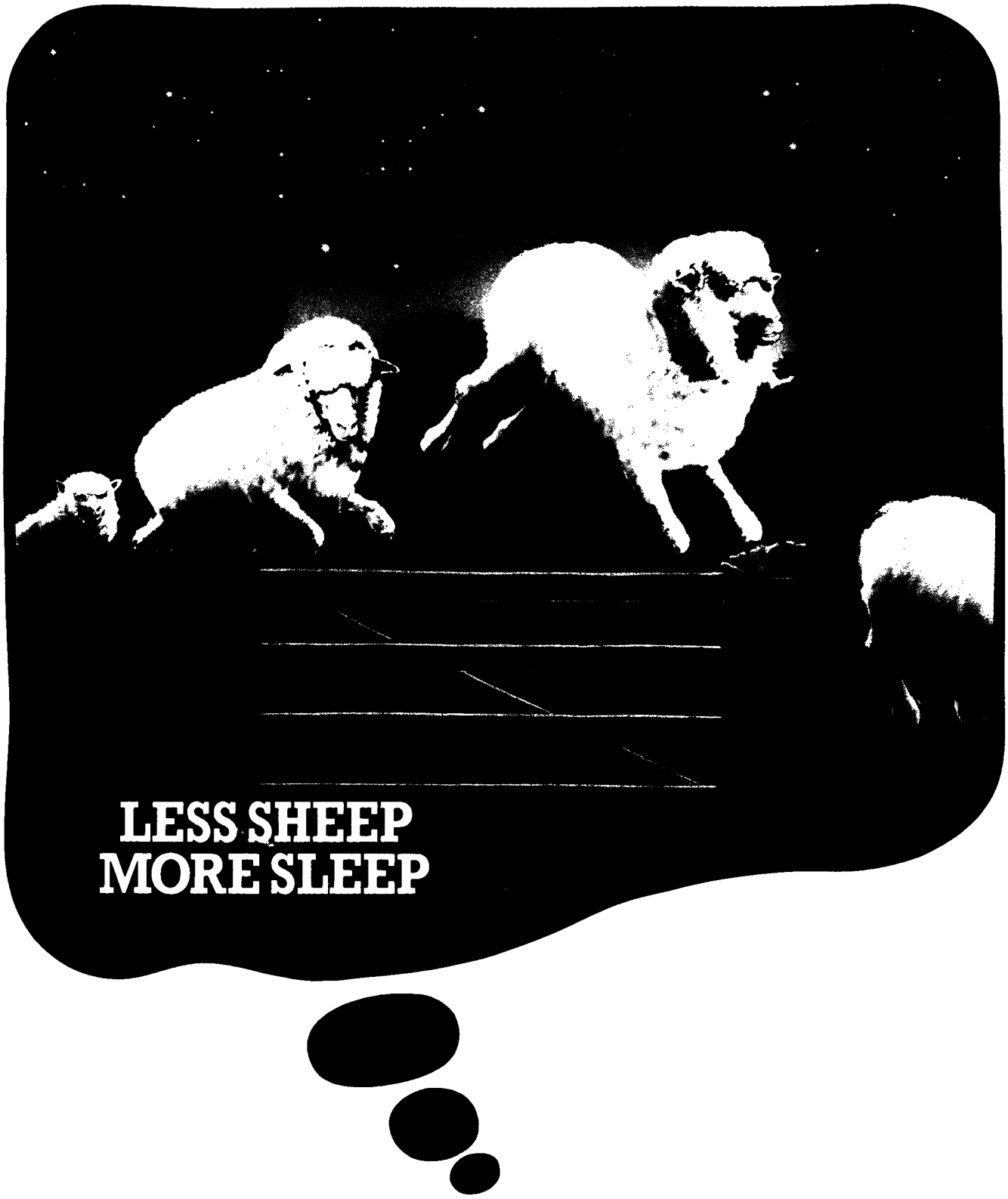

DALMANE 15mg

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Prescribing Information: Indications Insomnia of all degrees. Sleep disturbances due to organic conditions, in conjunction with specific therapy. **Dosage** Adults: Mild insomnia 15mg. Moderate to severe insomnia 15 or 30mg. Severe insomnia 30mg. Elderly patients 15mg. **Precautions** As with other CNS drugs, patients should avoid alcohol while under treatment. Patients' reactions (driving ability, etc.) may be modified. Prescribe in early pregnancy only when absolutely indicated. The use of high doses of benzodiazepines, especially over prolonged periods, can sometimes lead to dependence particularly in patients with a history of alcoholism or drug abuse. Treatment in these cases should be withdrawn gradually. **Side-effects** Dalmane is well tolerated. However, morning drowsiness, dizziness and ataxia may occur. Occasionally patients may experience a bitter after-taste. **Basic NHS Cost** 1 x 15mg capsule 4.9p per night ex 500 pack. 1 x 30mg capsule 6.6p per night ex 500 pack. **Product Licence Numbers** 0031/0065 (capsules 15mg) 0031/0066 (capsules 30mg). **Presentations** Dalmane capsules 15mg and 30mg. Roche Products Limited, PO Box 8, Welwyn Garden City, Hertfordshire AL7 3AY. Dalmane is a trade mark.

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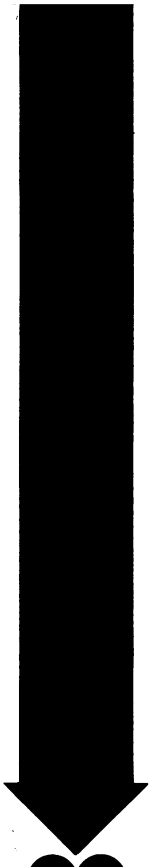

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Isosorbide mononitrate 20mg, Stuart

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♥ Effective.

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Prescribing Information

Presentation 'Monit' tablets are white, round, scored tablets embossed 'Stuart 20.' Each tablet contains 20mg isosorbide mononitrate. **Uses** Prophylaxis of angina pectoris. **Mode of Action** Isosorbide mononitrate is an active metabolite of isosorbide dinitrate and from an oral dose exerts qualitatively similar effects. However, unlike the dinitrate which is subject to extensive 'first pass' hepatic metabolism, it has virtually complete systemic availability from an oral dose. Isosorbide mononitrate thus achieves predictable and sustained blood levels. Onset of pharmacological action occurs within 20 minutes of an oral dose and is maintained for more than 8 hours. **Dosage and Administration** Usually one tablet twice or three times daily. Patients already accustomed to prophylactic nitrate therapy (for example with isosorbide dinitrate) may normally be transferred directly to a therapeutic dose of 'Monit.' For patients not receiving prophylactic nitrate therapy, it is recommended that the initial dose should be half a tablet twice daily. Maintenance dose in individual patients will be between 20 and 120mg daily. The tablets should be swallowed whole with a little fluid. **Contra-indications, Warnings, etc.** *Contra-indications:* A known sensitivity to the drug or to isosorbide dinitrate. *Warnings:* The following adverse effects may be seen with nitrate therapy. 1. Cutaneous vasodilation, headache, dizziness and weakness may occur, and are usually controlled by lowering the dose. The incidence of these effects is highest at commencement of treatment and tends to decline with time. 2. Postural hypotension may occur, especially with high doses. 3. Nitrate preparations can act as physiological antagonists to noradrenaline, acetylcholine, histamine and other agents. 4. Dry rash and/or exfoliative dermatitis have been described rarely with isosorbide dinitrate and similar reactions might be expected occasionally. *Overdosage:* Overdosage should be treated symptomatically. The main symptom is likely to be hypotension and this may be treated by *elevation of the legs to promote venous return.* **Pharmaceutical Precautions** Store at room temperature, protected from moisture. **Legal Category** POM. **Package Quantities** 'Monit' tablets are supplied in bottles of 56 tablets. **Further Information** Isosorbide mononitrate is the British Approved Name for isosorbide-5-mononitrate. Beta-blocking drugs have a different pharmacological action in angina and may have a complementary effect when co-administered with 'Monit.' **Product Licence Number** 0029/0174. **Basic N.H.S. Cost** 56 tablets £4.78.

Further information is available on request to the company
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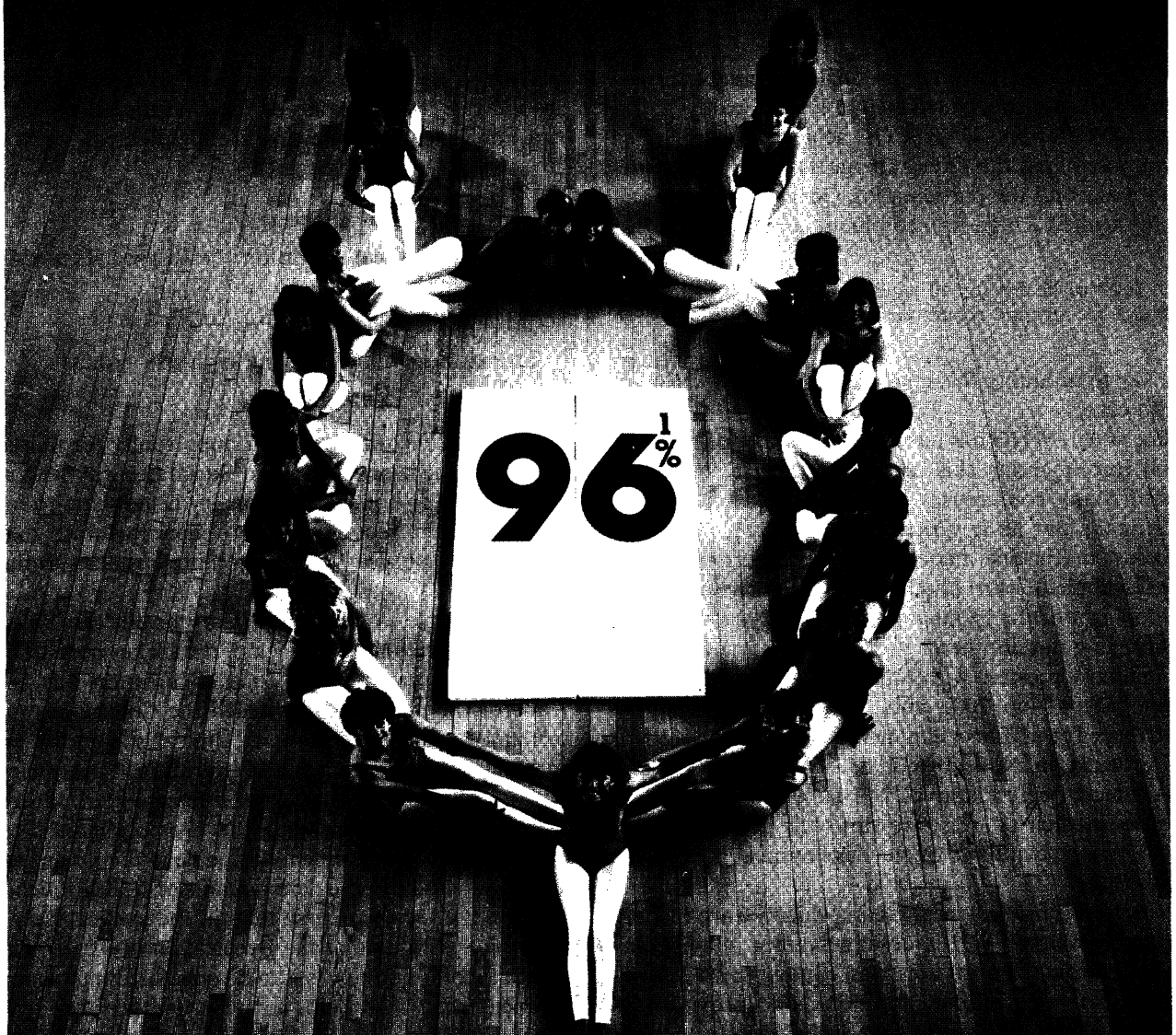

in urinary tract infections

Septrin b.d.

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co-trimoxazole

1. Gower, P.E. and Tasker, P.R.W. (1976), *Brit. Med. J.*, **1**, 684. Double-blind comparison of Septrin with cephalexin in 93 women with acute UTI. After two weeks, 96% of Septrin-treated patients were infection-free, compared with 68% of cephalexin-treated patients.

Prescribing Information

Uses: Sensitive bacterial infections of the lower respiratory, urinary and genital tracts, sinusitis, otitis media, skin infections, septicaemia, typhoid and paratyphoid fevers, and other infections caused by sensitive organisms.

Dosage: *Septrin Forte Tablets:* over 12 years, one twice daily. *Septrin Tablets/Septrin Dispersible Tablets:* over 12 years, two twice daily; children 6 to 12 years, one twice daily. *Septrin Suspensions:* over 12 years, 10ml Adult twice daily; children 6 to 12 years, 10ml Paediatric twice daily; 6 months to 6 years, 5ml Paediatric twice daily; 6 weeks to 6 months, 2.5ml Paediatric twice daily.

Contra-indications: Septrin is contra-indicated in patients with marked liver parenchymal damage, blood dyscrasias or severe renal insufficiency. Septrin should not be given to patients hypersensitive to sulphonamides or co-trimoxazole; should not be given during pregnancy or to neonates.

Precautions: In cases of renal impairment a reduced dosage is indicated and an adequate urinary output should be maintained. Regular blood counts are necessary whenever long-term therapy is used. Caution is advised in patients with folate deficiency. Care should be taken when giving Septrin to patients receiving oral anti-coagulants of the coumarin group, pyrimethamine, sulphonylureas, or phenytoin.

Warnings and Adverse Effects: Occasionally nausea, vomiting, diarrhoea, glossitis and skin rashes may occur with normal doses and, very rarely, haematological reactions.

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Wellcome Medical Division
The Wellcome Foundation Ltd, Crewe, Cheshire.

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Presentations:

	Product Licence	Formulation	Basic NHS Cost
Septrin Forte Tablets	PL3/0121	160mg Trimethoprim BP 800mg Sulphamethoxazole BP	£1.90 for 10
Septrin Tablets	PL3/0109	80mg TMP 400mg SMX	£2.27 for 20
Septrin Dispersible Tablets	PL3/0099	80mg TMP 400mg SMX	£2.42 for 20
Septrin Adult Suspension	PL3/5223	80mg TMP 400mg SMX in 5ml	£3.22 for 100ml
Septrin Paediatric Suspension	PL3/5222	40mg TMP 200mg SMX in 5ml	£2.00 for 100ml
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The combination of a beta-blocker with a diuretic is often effective in controlling hypertension when single-drug therapy has failed to produce an adequate response.

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Simple, once-daily dosage encourages compliance especially in asymptomatic patients.

'Inderex': abridged prescribing information. **Presentation** Capsules, each containing 160 mg propranolol hydrochloride in long-acting formulation and 5 mg bendrofluazide. **Dosage** One capsule daily in hypertension. **Contraindication** Heart block. Bronchospasm. Anuria, renal failure or thiazide sensitivity. Prolonged fasting. Metabolic acidosis. Co-administration with verapamil. **Precautions** Untreated cardiac failure. Bradycardia. Diabetes. Hepatic cirrhosis with ascites. Discontinuance of clonidine. Anaesthesia. Pregnancy. **Adverse Reactions: Propranolol Hydrochloride** Cold extremities, nausea, insomnia, lassitude and diarrhoea are usually transient. Isolated cases of paraesthesia of the hands, rashes and dry eyes have been reported with beta-blockers. Consider discontinuance if they occur. Cessation of beta blocker therapy should be gradual. **Bendrofluazide** Hypokalaemia. Hyperuricaemia. Rare reports of rashes, necrotising vasculitis, acute pancreatitis, blood dyscrasias and aggravation of pre-existing myopia. **Overdosage** see data sheet. **Basic NHS cost** 28 calendar pack £7.44. **PL No.** 0029/0157. 'Inderex' is a trademark for propranolol hydrochloride B.P. in a long-acting formulation, and bendrofluazide B.P.

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Prescribing Information

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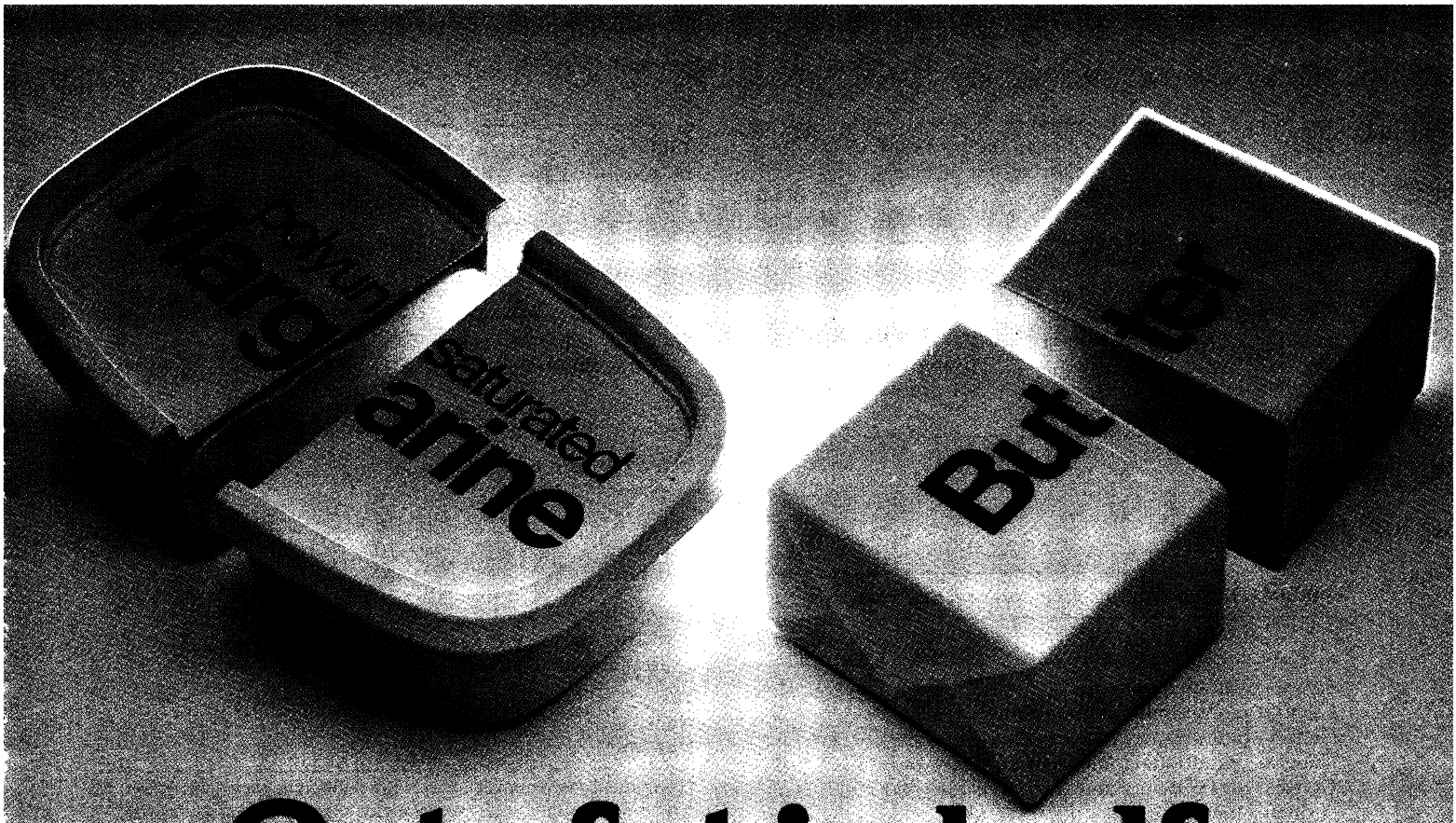

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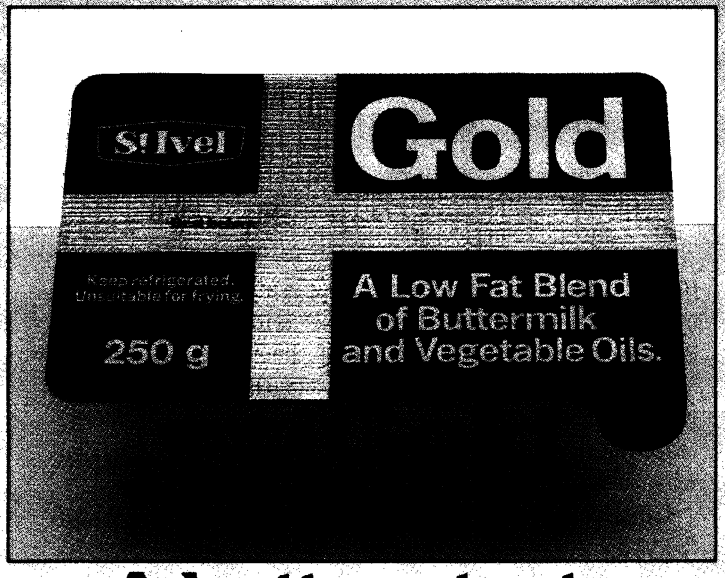

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New LEXOTAN is a good choice for the short-term treatment of anxiety states. It is a highly effective anxiolytic and patient tolerance is excellent.[1]

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CUTS IT DOWN TO SIZE

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Prescribing Information

Indications Short-term treatment of anxiety and associated symptoms such as tension and agitation.
Dosage Dosage should be determined on an individual basis. Some patients may respond to doses as low as 1.5mg three times daily. Usual dose for mild to moderate anxiety is 3mg to 6mg three times daily. Elderly patients are more sensitive to the actions of Lexotan. The safety of Lexotan for use in the elderly has not been established and therefore its use should be avoided. **Contra-indications** Patients with known sensitivity to benzodiazepines; acute pulmonary insufficiency; respiratory depression. **Precautions** Use during pregnancy and lactation should be avoided. Patients should be advised to avoid alcohol whilst under treatment with Lexotan. Patients' reactions, e.g. driving ability, may be modified. Sedative effects of other centrally-acting drugs may be intensified. The use of high doses of benzodiazepines, especially over prolonged periods, can sometimes lead to dependence, particularly in patients with a history of alcoholism or drug abuse. Treatment in these cases should be withdrawn gradually. **Side-effects** Drowsiness, sedation, unsteadiness and ataxia may occur. They usually disappear after the first few days of treatment or with reduction of dosage. **Presentation** Pink, hexagonal tablets containing 3mg of bromazepam in blister packings of 100. **Basic NHS Cost** Lexotan 3mg tablets in packings of 100 £6.25 **Product licence number** 0031/0128

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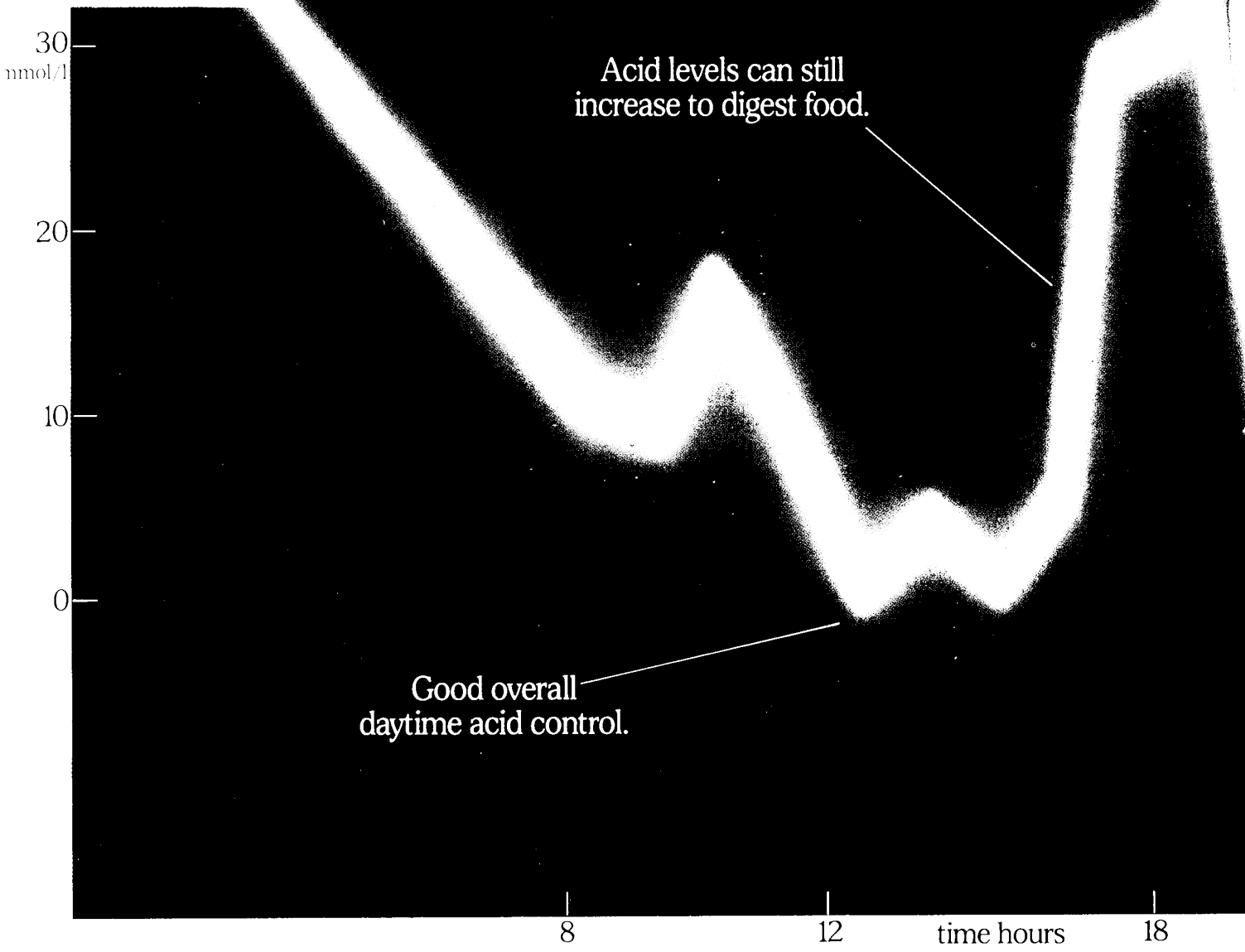
The acid test

Control when it's needed.[1]



Selective effective H_2 blockade

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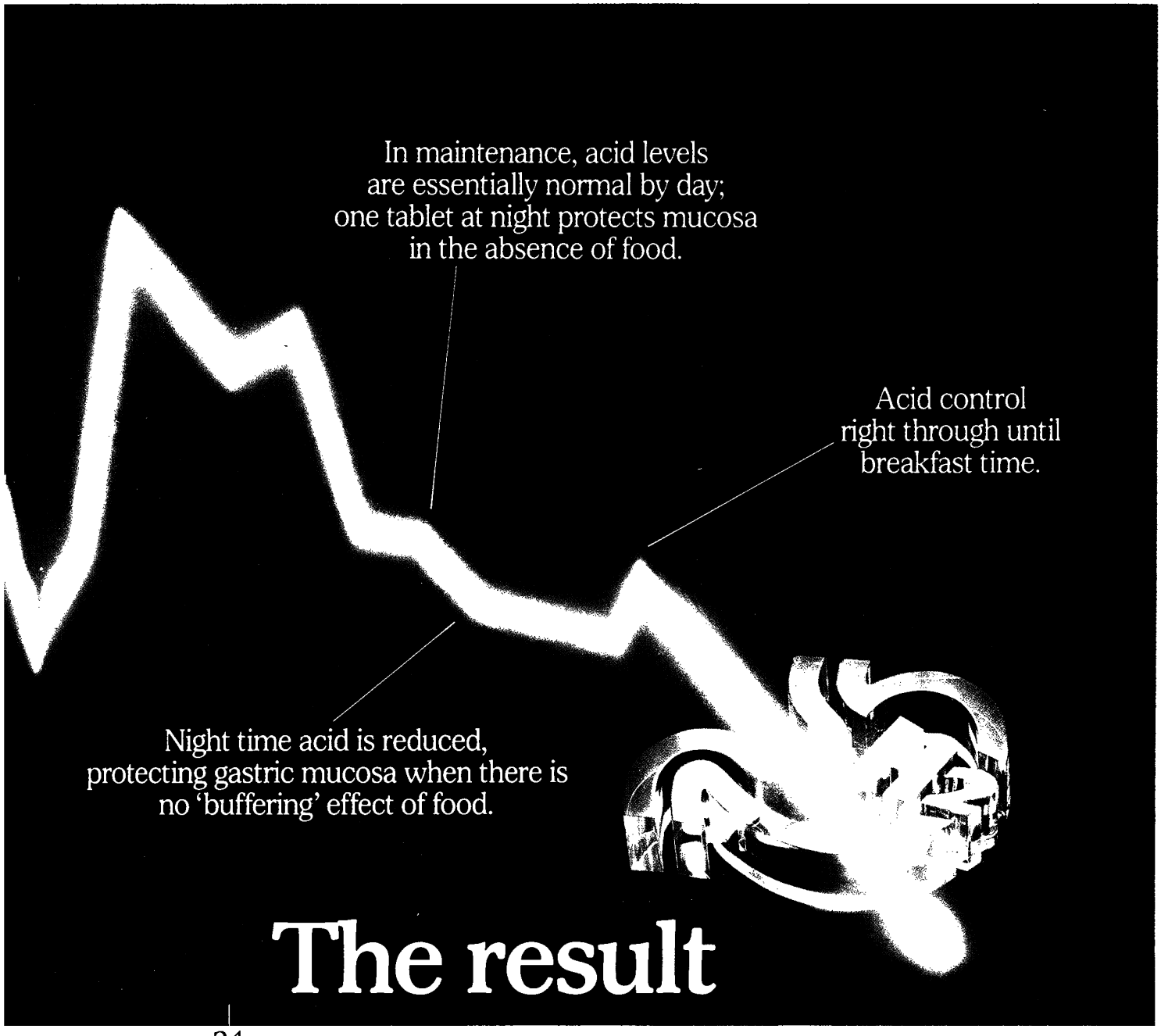

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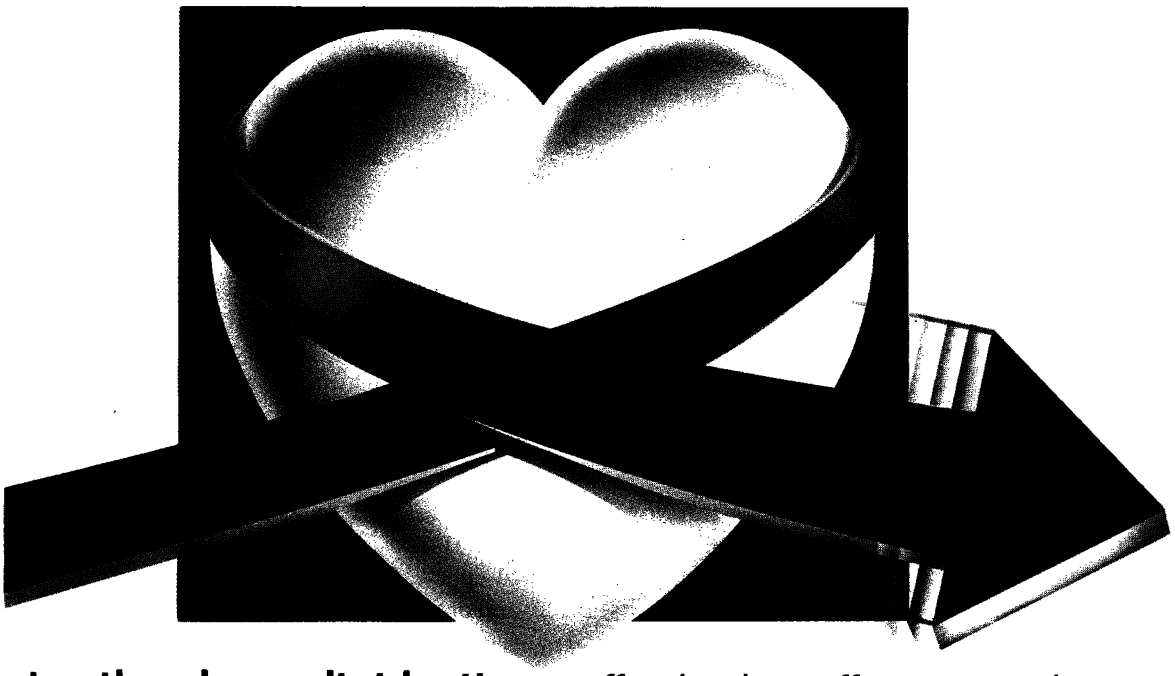

...restoring the plasma lipid ratio.

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Hypovase*

prazosin HCl

boosts anti-hypertensive action, restores the plasma lipid ratio.

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Indications: hypertension of varied aetiology and all grades of severity.
Contra-indications: sensitivity to Hypovase.
Precautions: A small percentage of patients may react more rapidly and to a greater extent than the majority. In some cases this had led to sudden loss of consciousness generally lasting a few minutes. Subsequent treatment may be satisfactory. Hypovase is not recommended in pregnancy, during lactation, or in children under 12 years of age.
Side-effects: dizziness, drowsiness, and lack of energy are the most common.
Dosage: starting dose 0.5mg two to three hours before retiring: thereafter, up to 20mg/day in divided doses.
Basic NHS Cost: b.d. Starter Pack containing 8 x 0.5mg Hypovase tablets and 32 x 1mg Hypovase tablets, £2.70; 0.5mg tablet.
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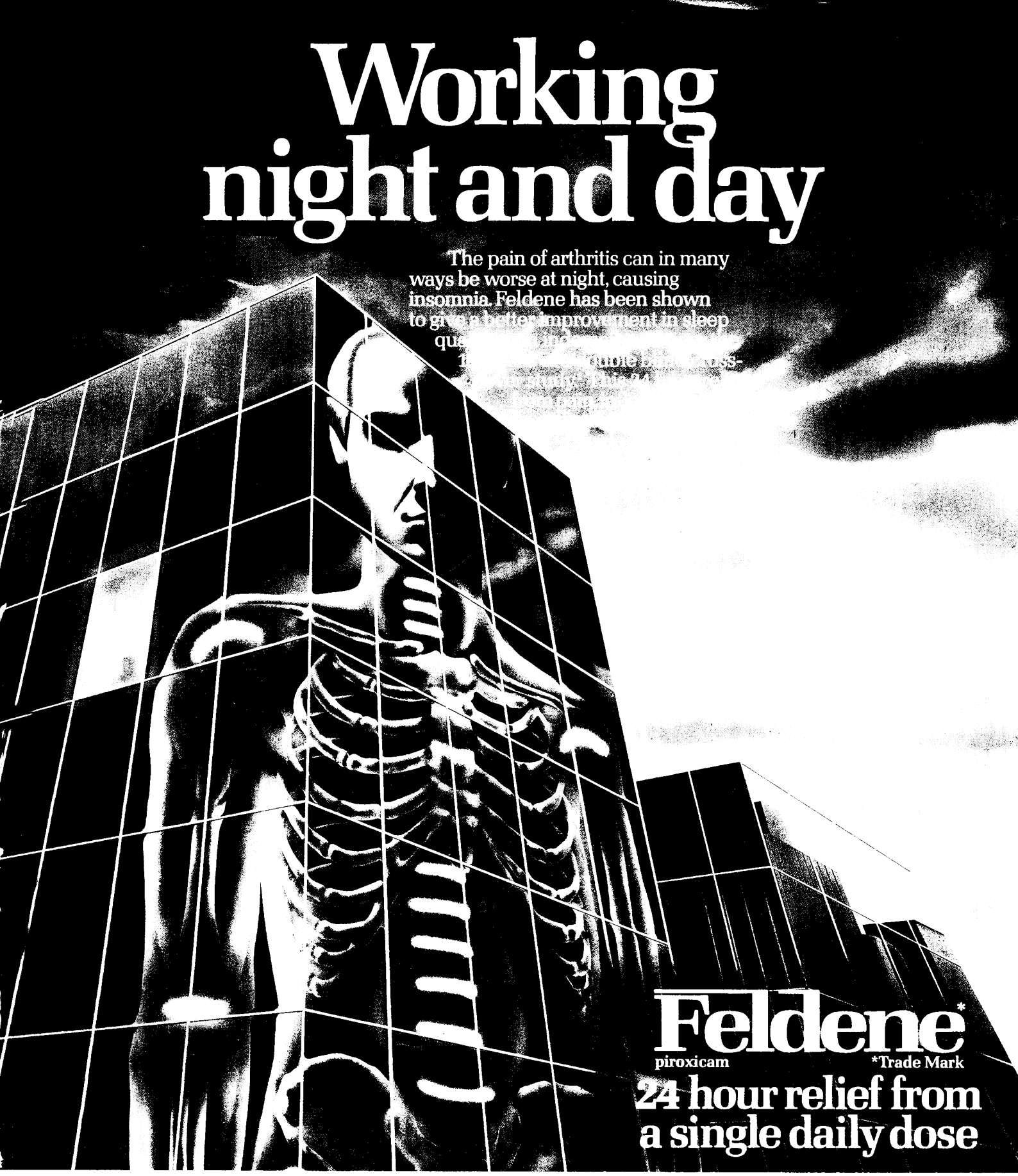

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piroxicam

24 hour relief from a single daily dose

Prescribing Information Indications: rheumatoid arthritis, osteoarthritis, ankylosing spondylitis, acute gout, acute musculoskeletal disorders. **Contraindications:** patients with active peptic ulceration or a history of recurrent ulceration. Hypersensitivity to the drug or in patients in whom aspirin or other non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs induce symptoms of asthma, rhinitis or urticaria. **Warnings:** the safety of Feldene used during pregnancy and lactation has not yet been established. Dosage recommendations and indications for use in children have also not yet been established. **Side Effects:** Feldene is generally well tolerated. Gastro-intestinal symptoms are the most common, if peptic ulceration or gastro-intestinal bleeding occurs Feldene should be withdrawn. As with other non-steroidal *anti-inflammatory agents, oedema, mainly ankle oedema,* has been reported in a small percentage of patients; the possibility of precipitation of congestive cardiac failure in elderly patients or those with compromised cardiac function should therefore be borne in mind; various skin rashes have been reported. **Dosage:** in rheumatoid arthritis, osteoarthritis, ankylosing spondylitis – starting dose of 20mg as single daily dose; the majority of patients will be maintained on 20mg daily. In acute gout, start with a single dose of 40mg followed on the next 4-6 days with 40mg daily in single or divided doses. Feldene is not indicated for long term management of gout. In acute musculoskeletal disorders, start with a loading dose of 40mg daily in single or divided doses for the first 2 days. For the remainder of the 7 to 14 days treatment period the dose should be reduced to 20mg daily. **Basic N.H.S. Cost:** capsules 10mg coded FEL10, pack of 60 £9.00 (PL. 0057/0145). Full *information on request.* **References:** 1. Romberg, O., The American Journal of Medicine Feb., 16, 1982, 58.

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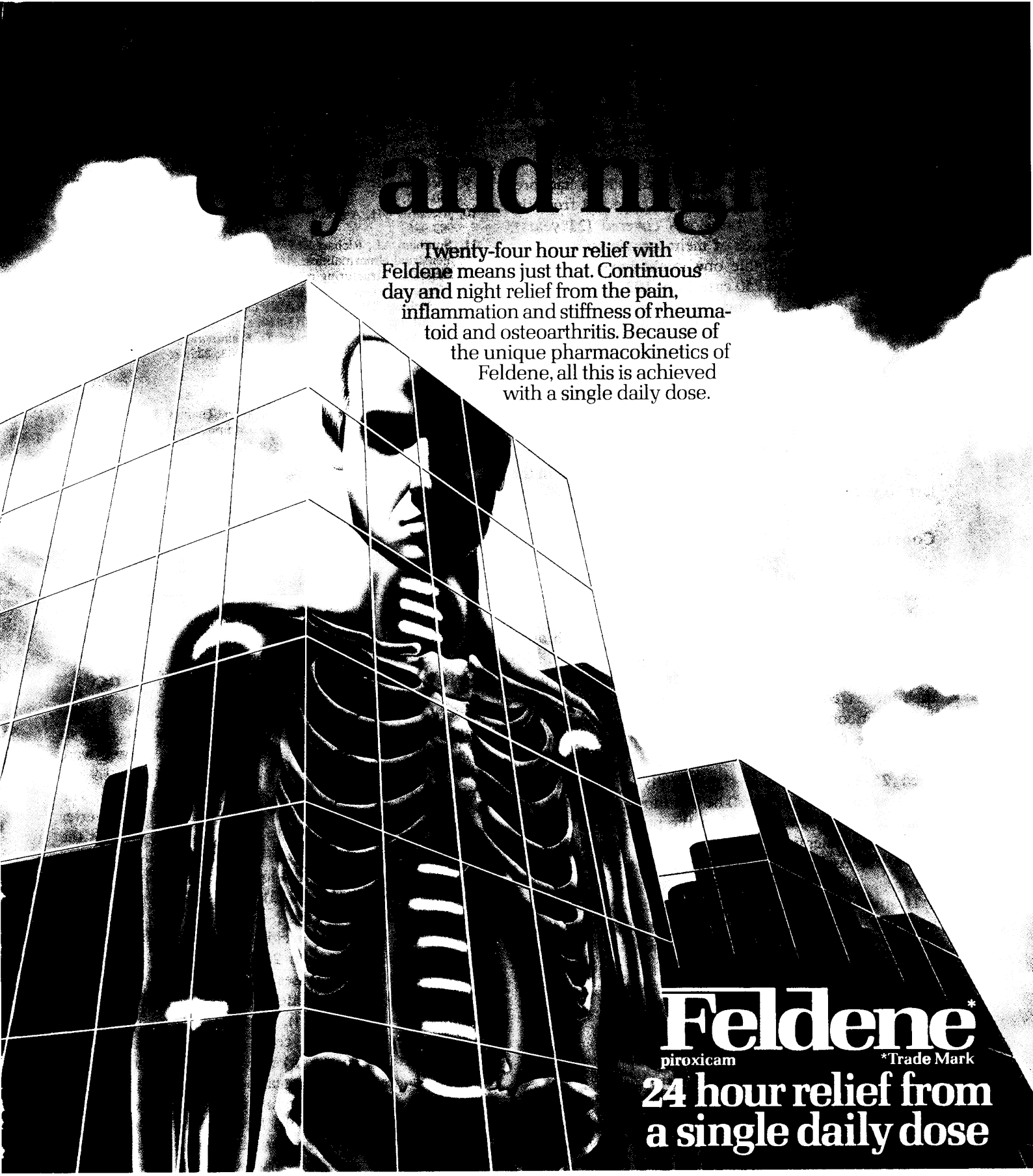

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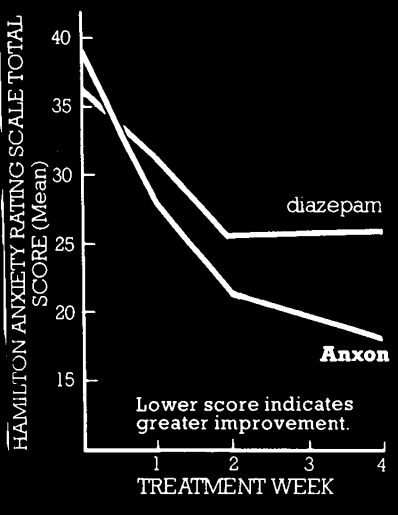

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A recent double-blind study[1] demonstrated that Anxon was more effective than diazepam in the treatment of anxiety. Another study showed "...on the Hamilton Anxiety Rating Scale in direct comparison with diazepam, ketazolam [Anxon] was significantly superior in anxiolytic effect".[3]

Anxon vs. clorazepate and lorazepam.

Further double-blind studies have compared Anxon both with clorazepate and with lorazepam. In comparison with clorazepate, although the authors commented that, on the overall patients' global impression, the differences between the two drugs did not reach statistical significance, "Nevertheless at the end of the study, over 70% more patients reported feeling *very much better* on ketazolam [Anxon] than on clorazepate (33 versus 19, respectively)."[5]

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Indications
Anxiety, tension, irritability and similar stress-related symptoms.

Dosage and Administration For many adult patients a dosage of 30mg nocte is appropriate. This dosage may be adjusted to suit the needs of each individual patient within the range of 15-60mg per day. Children: Not recommended. Elderly: Reduced dosage initially until tolerance and efficacy have been assessed. Patients undergoing therapy with Anxon should be periodically reviewed.

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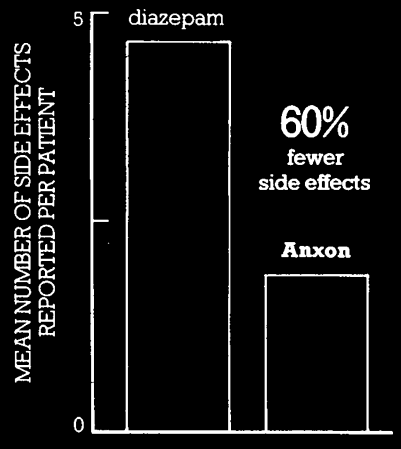

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60% fewer than diazepam
"Side effects were markedly less frequent and less severe in patients treated with ketazolam [Anxon] than in those treated with diazepam."[4]

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14% fewer than lorazepam
"Ketazolam [Anxon] patients reported a total of 124 side effects [30 patients], while the lorazepam patients reported 135 side effects [28 patients]"–14% fewer side effects on Anxon.[6]

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Presentations and Basic NHS Prices
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Occasional Paper 23

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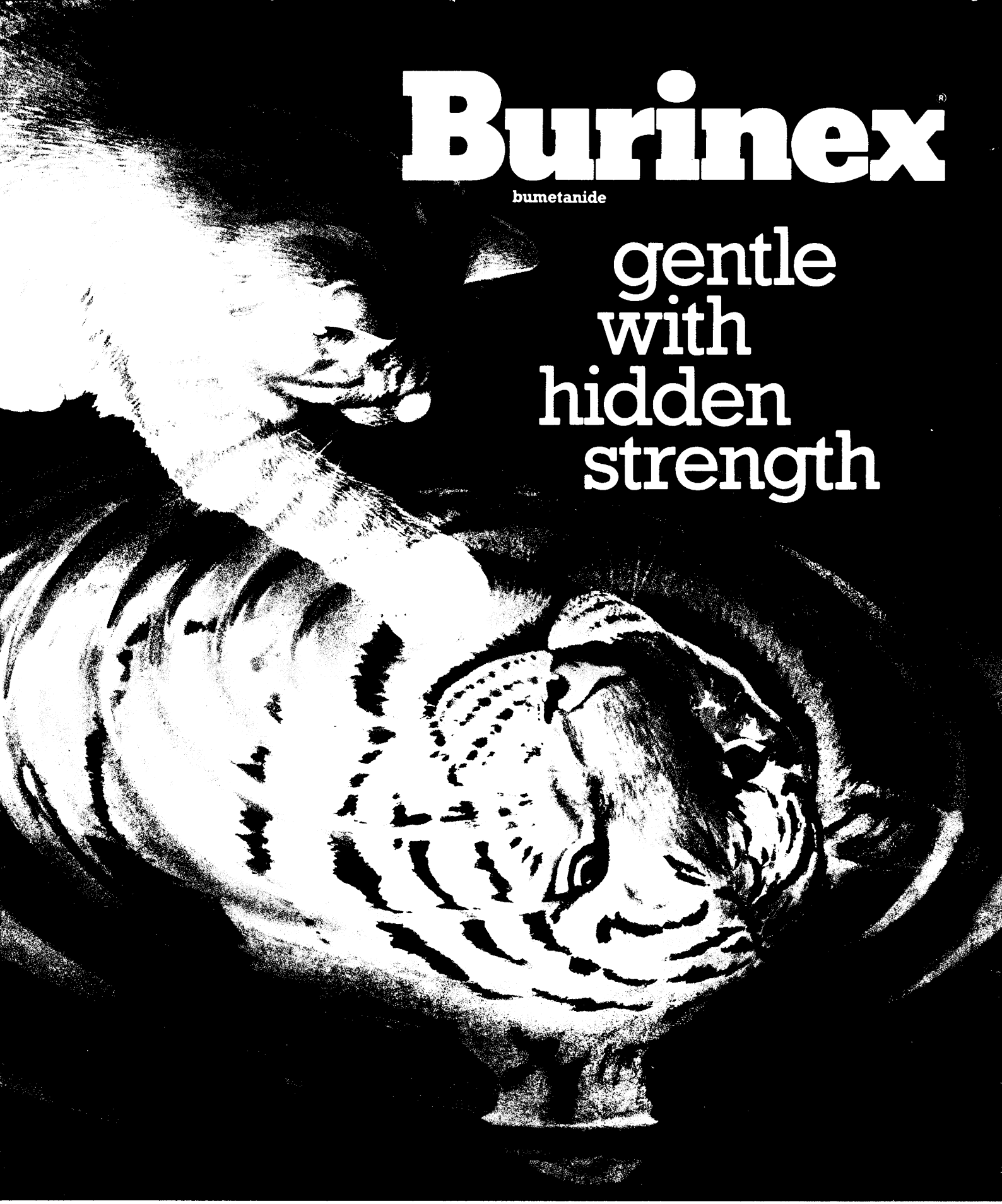

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