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Isosorbide mononitrate 20mg

Prescribing Notes for 'Monit' and 'Monit' LS

PROPHYLAXIS OF ANGINA – Usually one 'Monit' tablet two or three times daily. For patients not receiving prophylactic nitrate therapy, the initial dose should be one 'Monit' LS tablet twice daily. Maintenance dose in individual patients will be between

20 and 120 mg daily. ELDERLY PATIENTS – Dosage requirements may be reduced, especially in patients with hepatic or renal impairment.

Contra-indications

A known sensitivity to the drug or isosorbide dinitrate.

Warnings

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The following adverse effects may be seen with nitrate therapy: 1. Cutaneous vasodilatation, headache, dizziness and weakness may occur. If headache is a problem, a temporary lowering of the 'Monit' dose may be necessary. 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.

Pregnancy and lactation: Nitrates should not be given to pregnant women and nursing mothers unless essential.

Product Licence Numbers and Basic NHS Cost:

'Monit' tablets each containing 20 mg of isosorbide mononitrate 29/174 in calendar packs of 56 tablets, £4.78 or bottles of 100 tablets, £8.40.
'Monit' LS tablets each containing 10 mg of isosorbide mononitrate 29/194 in calendar

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