

- in renal impairment



Prescribing notes for







Consult data sheet before prescribing.

USE: Hypertension, angina prophylaxis.

PRESENTATION: Tablets for oral administration containing atenolol 100mg ('Tenormin'), 50mg ('Tenormin' LS) or 25mg ('Tenormin' 25).

DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION: Hypertension: 'Tenormin' – one daily (some patients may respond adequately to 'Tenormin' low strength (LS)); 'Tenormin' LS – one daily; 'Tenormin' 25 - see renal failure.

Angina Prophylaxis: 'Tenormin' – one daily; 'Tenormin' LS – two daily in a single or divided dose.

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Elderly Patients: Dosage requirements may be lower in elderly patients.

Renal Failure: For patients with a creatinine clearance of 15-35ml/min/1.73m<sup>2</sup> the oral dose should be 50mg daily. Patients with a creatinine clearance of <15ml/min/1.73m<sup>2</sup> should be given one 'Tenormin' 25 daily or one 'Tenormin' LS on alternate days.

CONTRAINDICATIONS: 2nd or 3rd degree heart block, cardiogenic shock.

PRECAUTIONS: Poor cardiac reserve - avoid in overt heart failure. Bradycardia, renal failure (see above),

anaesthesia, pregnancy. Caution in patients with reversible obstructive airways disease – do not use unless there are compelling clinical reasons to do so. Atenolol modifies the tachycardia of hypoglycaemia. Co-administration with verapamil or Class I antidysrhythmic agents. Withdrawal of clonidine. Withdrawal of beta-blocking drugs should be gradual in patients with ischaemic heart disease.

SIDE EFFECTS: Coldness of extremities, bradycardia and muscular fatigue may occur. Sleep disturbance rarely seen. Skin rashes and dry eyes have been reported with beta-blockers – consider discontinuance if they occur.

PRODUCT LICENCE NUMBERS AND BASIC NHS COSTS: 'Tenormin' (29/0122), 28 tablets (OP) £6.98. 'Tenormin' LS (29/0086), 28 tablets (OP) £5.49, 'Tenormin' 25 (29/0218), 28 tablets (OP) £4.31.

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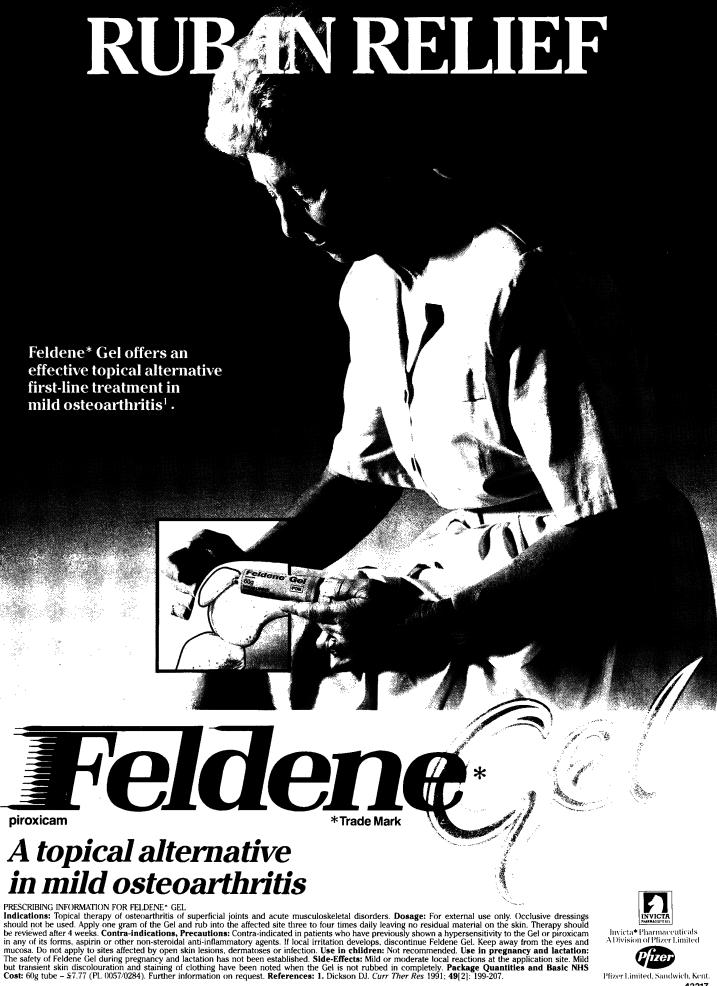
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