

Preparations

Proprietary Preparations (details are given in Part 3)

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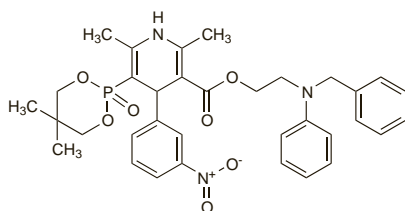
Efonidipine Hydrochloride (rINN)

Éfonidipine, Chlorhydrate d'; Efonidipini Hydrochloridum; Hidrocloruro de efonidipino; NZ-105; Serefodipine Hydrochloride. Cyclic 2,2-dimethyltrimethylene ester of 2-(N-benzylamino)ethyl (±)-1,4-dihydro-2,6-dimethyl-4-(m-nitrophenyl)-5-phosphonononate hydrochloride.

Эфони́дипина Гидрохлори́д

$C_{34}H_{38}N_2O_7P \cdot HCl = 668.1$.

CAS — 111011-63-3 (efonidipine); 111011-53-1 (efonidipine hydrochloride).



(efonidipine)

Profile

Efonidipine is a dihydropyridine calcium-channel blocker with general properties similar to those of nifedipine (p.1350). It is used as the hydrochloride in the treatment of hypertension.

References

1. Tanaka H, Shigenobu K. Efonidipine hydrochloride: a dual blocker of L- and T-type Ca channels. *Cardiovasc Drug Rev* 2002; **20**: 81–92.

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Jpn: Landel.

Enalapril (BAN, rINN)

Enalaprilil; Énalapril; Enalaprilum. N-{N-[(S)-1-Ethoxycarbonyl-3-phenylpropyl]-L-alanyl}-L-proline.

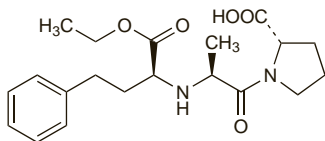
Эналапри́л

$C_{20}H_{28}N_2O_5 = 376.4$.

CAS — 75847-73-3.

ATC — C09AA02.

ATC Vet — QC09AA02.



Enalapril Maleate (BANM, USAN, rINN)

Enalaprililmaleaatti; Enalapril Maleat; Énalapril, maléate d'; Enalapril maleinat; Enalapril maleas; Enalapril maleatas; Enalaprilmaleat; Enalapril-maleát; Maleato de enalapril; MK-421. N-{N-[(S)-1-Ethoxycarbonyl-3-phenylpropyl]-L-alanyl}-L-proline hydrogen maleate.

Эналапри́ла Малеат

$C_{20}H_{28}N_2O_5 \cdot C_4H_4O_4 = 492.5$.

CAS — 76095-16-4.

ATC — C09AA02.

ATC Vet — QC09AA02.

Pharmacopoeias. In *Chin.*, *Eur.* (see p.vii), and *US*.

Ph. Eur. 6.2 (Enalapril Maleate). A white or almost white crystalline powder. Sparingly soluble in water; practically insoluble in dichloromethane; freely soluble in methyl alcohol. It dissolves in dilute solutions of alkali hydroxides. A 1% solution in water has a pH of 2.4 to 2.9. Protect from light.

USP 31 (Enalapril Maleate). An off-white crystalline powder. Sparingly soluble in water; soluble in alcohol; freely soluble in dimethylformamide and in methyl alcohol; slightly soluble in semipolar organic solvents; practically insoluble in nonpolar organic solvents.

Stability. Enalapril has been reported^{1,2} to be stable for at least 56 days in extemporaneously compounded oral liquids containing enalapril maleate 1 mg/mL in a number of vehicles.

1. Nahata MC, *et al.* Stability of enalapril maleate in three extemporaneously prepared oral liquids. *Am J Health-Syst Pharm* 1998; **55**: 1155–7.
2. Allen LV, Erickson MA. Stability of alprazolam, chloroquine phosphate, cispripide, enalapril maleate, and hydralazine hydrochloride in extemporaneously compounded oral liquids. *Am J Health-Syst Pharm* 1998; **55**: 1915–20.

Enalaprilat (BAN, USAN, rINN)

Énalaprilate; Énalaprilate dihydrate; Enalaprilatum; Enalaprilatum dihydricum; Enalaprilic acid; MK-422. N-{N-[(S)-1-Carboxy-3-phenylpropyl]-L-alanyl}-L-proline dihydrate.

Эналапри́лат

$C_{18}H_{24}N_2O_5 \cdot 2H_2O = 384.4$.

CAS — 76420-72-9 (anhydrous enalaprilat); 84680-54-6 (enalaprilat dihydrate).

Pharmacopoeias. In *Eur.* (see p.vii) and *US*.

Ph. Eur. 6.2 (Enalaprilat Dihydrate). A white or almost white, hygroscopic, crystalline powder. It exhibits pseudopolymorphism. Very slightly soluble or slightly soluble in water; sparingly soluble in methyl alcohol; practically insoluble in acetonitrile. Store in airtight containers.

USP 31 (Enalaprilat). A white to nearly white, hygroscopic, crystalline powder. Soluble 1 in 200 of water, 1 in 40 of dimethylformamide, and 1 in 68 of methyl alcohol; very slightly soluble in alcohol, in acetone, and in hexane; practically insoluble in acetonitrile and in chloroform; slightly soluble in isopropyl alcohol.

Incompatibility. Enalaprilat was visually incompatible¹ with phenytoin sodium in sodium chloride 0.9%, producing a crystalline precipitate; there was also some visual evidence of incompatibility when mixed with amphotericin B in glucose 5%.

1. Thompson DF, *et al.* Visual compatibility of enalaprilat with selected intravenous medications during simulated Y-site injection. *Am J Hosp Pharm* 1990; **47**: 2530–1.

Adverse Effects, Treatment, and Precautions

As for ACE inhibitors, p.1193.

Incidence of adverse effects. Postmarketing surveillance for enalapril was carried out by prescription-event monitoring of 12 543 patients.¹ There were 374 skin events including facial oedema or angioedema in 29 (leading to withdrawal of treatment in 10), 15 cases of photosensitivity, and urticaria in 32 (leading to withdrawal in 5). Syncope and dizziness occurred in 155 and 483 patients respectively, sometimes in association with hypotension. Hypotension occurred in 218 patients, 71 in the first month. Treatment was stopped in 121 patients with hypotension, and dosage reduced in 36. Other adverse effects reported included headache in 310 patients, paraesthesias in 126, taste disturbances in 25, conjunctivitis in 67, tachycardia in 194, cough in 360, renal failure in 82, muscle cramp in 96, diarrhoea in 236, and nausea and vomiting in 326. Of 1098 deaths only 10, due to renal failure, were thought possibly related to enalapril therapy. Dysgeusia and skin reactions appeared to be less common than has been reported for captopril, but precise comparisons were difficult; the range of adverse effects was similar.²

Deafness was a possible side-effect of enalapril noted earlier;² it was reported in 19 of the 12 543 patients monitored, but only while they were taking enalapril, there being no record of deafness after treatment stopped.

For further reference to some of these adverse effects, see under ACE Inhibitors, p.1193.

1. Inman WHW, *et al.* Postmarketing surveillance of enalapril I: results of prescription-event monitoring. *BMJ* 1988; **297**: 826–9.
2. Inman WHW, Rawson NSB. Deafness with enalapril and prescription event monitoring. *Lancet* 1987; **i**: 872.

Breast feeding. After a single dose of enalapril 20 mg in 5 women enalaprilat was detected¹ in breast milk in concentrations of 1 to 2.3 nanograms/mL (mean peak 1.72 nanograms/mL); enalapril was also present (mean peak 1.74 nanograms/mL). This compared with peak serum values of 39 to 112 nanograms/mL for enalaprilat and 92 to 151 nanograms/mL for enalapril. Another study² found no detectable enalaprilat in the milk of 3 women, while in a further woman³ both enalapril and enalaprilat were detected, but the concentrations were low. Although enalapril and its metabolite are thus present in small amounts in breast milk it was calculated that the average total daily dose to the neonate would only be about 2 micrograms of enalaprilat.¹ The American Academy of Pediatrics⁴ lists no reports of any clinical effect on the infant associated with the use of enalapril by breast-feeding mothers, and states that therefore it may be considered to be usually compatible with breast feeding.

1. Redman CWG, *et al.* The excretion of enalapril and enalaprilat in human breast milk. *Eur J Clin Pharmacol* 1990; **38**: 99.
2. Huttunen K, *et al.* Enalapril treatment of a nursing mother with slightly impaired renal function. *Clin Nephrol* 1989; **31**: 278.

3. Rush JE, *et al.* Comment. *Clin Nephrol* 1991; **35**: 234.

4. American Academy of Pediatrics. The transfer of drugs and other chemicals into human milk. *Pediatrics* 2001; **108**: 776–89. Correction. *ibid.*; 1029. Also available at: <http://aappolicy.aappublications.org/cgi/content/full/pediatrics%3b108/3/776> (accessed 05/07/04)

Porphyria. Enalapril has been associated with acute attacks of porphyria and is considered unsafe in porphyric patients.

Interactions

As for ACE inhibitors, p.1196.

Pharmacokinetics

Enalapril acts as a prodrug of the diacid enalaprilat, its active form, which is poorly absorbed orally. About 60% of an oral dose of enalapril is absorbed from the gastrointestinal tract and peak plasma concentrations are achieved within about 1 hour. Enalapril is extensively hydrolysed in the liver to enalaprilat; peak plasma concentrations of enalaprilat are achieved 3 to 4 hours after an oral dose of enalapril. Enalaprilat is 50 to 60% bound to plasma proteins. After an oral dose, enalaprilat is excreted in the urine and in faeces, as enalaprilat and unchanged drug, with the urinary route predominating; more than 90% of an intravenous dose of enalaprilat is excreted in the urine. The elimination of enalaprilat is multiphasic but the effective half-life for accumulation after multiple doses of enalapril is reported to be about 11 hours in patients with normal renal function. Enalaprilat is removed by haemodialysis and by peritoneal dialysis.

References

1. MacFadyen RJ, *et al.* Enalapril clinical pharmacokinetics and pharmacokinetic-pharmacodynamic relationships: an overview. *Clin Pharmacokinet* 1993; **25**: 274–82.
2. Wells T, *et al.* The pharmacokinetics of enalapril in children and infants with hypertension. *J Clin Pharmacol* 2001; **41**: 1064–74.

Renal impairment. Comparison of the pharmacokinetics of enalapril in 6 diabetics with persistent proteinuria and glomerular filtration rates (GFR) of 44.1 to 58.4 mL/minute with those in 8 age-matched controls showed that in the diabetic group the peak serum concentration of enalaprilat was higher, the time to peak concentration longer, renal clearance lower, and the areas under the concentration/time curve greater than in controls.¹ Renal clearance of enalaprilat in the diabetics ranged from 56 to 66 mL/minute compared with 105 to 133 mL/minute in controls; clearance correlated with GFR.

1. Baba T, *et al.* Enalapril pharmacokinetics in diabetic patients. *Lancet* 1989; **i**: 226–7.

Uses and Administration

Enalapril is an ACE inhibitor (p.1193) used in the treatment of hypertension (p.1171) and heart failure (p.1165). It may also be given prophylactically to patients with asymptomatic left ventricular dysfunction to delay the onset of symptomatic heart failure, and has been used in patients with left ventricular dysfunction to reduce the incidence of coronary ischaemic events, including myocardial infarction (p.1175).

Enalapril owes its activity to enalaprilat to which it is converted after oral doses. The haemodynamic effects are seen within 1 hour of a single oral dose and the maximum effect occurs after about 4 to 6 hours, although the full effect may not develop for several weeks during chronic dosing. The haemodynamic action lasts for about 24 hours, allowing once-daily dosing. Enalapril is given orally as the maleate.

Enalaprilat is not absorbed orally but is given by intravenous injection; its haemodynamic effects develop within 15 minutes of injection and reach a peak in 1 to 4 hours. The action lasts for about 6 hours at recommended doses. Enalaprilat is given as the dihydrate, but doses are expressed in terms of the anhydrous substance. Enalaprilat 1.38 mg as the dihydrate is equivalent to about 1.25 mg of anhydrous enalaprilat.

In the treatment of **hypertension**, an initial oral dose of 5 mg of enalapril maleate daily may be given. Since there may be a precipitous fall in blood pressure in some patients when starting therapy with an ACE inhibitor, the first dose should preferably be given at bedtime. An initial dose of 2.5 mg daily should be given to patients with renal impairment or to those who are receiving a *diuretic*; if possible, the diuretic should be

withdrawn 2 or 3 days before enalapril is started and resumed later if necessary. The usual maintenance dose is 10 to 20 mg given once daily, although doses of up to 40 mg daily may be required in severe hypertension. It may be given in 2 divided doses if control is inadequate with a single dose.

When oral therapy of hypertension is impractical enalapril may be given in a dose of 1.25 mg by slow intravenous injection or infusion over at least 5 minutes, repeated every 6 hours if necessary; the initial dose should be halved in patients with renal impairment (creatinine clearance less than 30 mL/minute) or those who are receiving a diuretic.

In the management of **heart failure**, severe first-dose hypotension on introduction of an ACE inhibitor is common in patients on loop diuretics, but their temporary withdrawal may cause rebound pulmonary oedema. Thus treatment should begin with a low dose under close medical supervision. In patients with heart failure or asymptomatic left ventricular dysfunction enalapril maleate is given orally in an initial dose of 2.5 mg daily. The usual maintenance dose is 20 mg daily as a single dose or in 2 divided doses although up to 40 mg daily in 2 divided doses has been given.

Administration in children. Enalapril may be used in the management of hypertension in children.¹ The initial dose is 80 micrograms/kg once daily, with a maximum of 5 mg, adjusted according to response. Alternatively, children weighing 20 to below 50 kg may be given an initial dose of 2.5 mg once daily, increased to a maximum of 20 mg daily, while children weighing 50 kg or over may be given an initial dose of 5 mg once daily, increased to a maximum of 40 mg daily. Doses above 580 micrograms/kg or 40 mg daily have not been studied.

Enalapril has also been given to infants with severe heart failure in doses of 100 to 500 micrograms/kg daily as an oral suspension produced by suspending a crushed tablet in water.² In this study one infant, with severe myocarditis, developed hypotension and the drug had to be withdrawn; the remaining 7 showed clinical improvement on a mean enalapril dose of 260 micrograms/kg daily and were able markedly to reduce the dose of concomitant diuretic required. Another study in 10 infants found that enalapril was less bioavailable and probably had a shorter duration of action in infants than in adults, and that doses of 80 micrograms/kg daily were inadequate in the treatment of infant heart failure.³ A larger study in 63 infants and children (median age 5.4 months) with heart failure found enalapril 360 micrograms/kg daily to be of benefit, whereas there was no improvement with a lower dose of 240 micrograms/kg daily.⁴

- Wells T, *et al.* A double-blind, placebo-controlled, dose-response study of the effectiveness and safety of enalapril for children with hypertension. *J Clin Pharmacol* 2002; **42**: 870–80.
- Frenneaux M, *et al.* Enalapril for severe heart failure in infancy. *Arch Dis Child* 1989; **64**: 219–23.
- Lloyd TR, *et al.* Administered enalapril for infants with congestive heart failure: a dose-finding study. *J Pediatr* 1989; **114**: 650–4.
- Leversha AM, *et al.* Efficacy and dosage of enalapril in congenital and acquired heart disease. *Arch Dis Child* 1994; **70**: 35–9.

Preparations

BP 2008: Enalapril Tablets;

USP 31: Enalapril Maleate and Hydrochlorothiazide Tablets; Enalapril Maleate Tablets.

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Arg: Baypril; Delfluin; Dentromin; Ecaprilat; Enalapril; Enaldun; Enatral; Enatral; Entiril; Fabotensil; Gadopril; Gloten; Hipertan; Kinfil; Lotrial; Maxen; Naupril; Presi Regul; Pritenit; Renitec; Suloclen; Tencas; Vapresan; Vasopril; **Austral:** Alaphril; Amprace; Auspril; Enahexal; Enalabell; Renitec; **Austria:** Enalapril; Enac; Enalanorm; Enapril; Enanar; Enatylot; Mepril; Renistad; Renitec; **Belg:** Renitec; **Braz:** Angiopril; Atens; Blootec; Enalabell; Enalamed; Enalaplex; Enalatec; Enall; Enalpril; Enaprotec; Enatec; Enaton; Eupressin; Gloten; Hipertin; Lowpress; Maleapril; Multipressin; Nalaprill; Neolapril; Pressel; Pressotec; Prodopressin; Prytec; Renalpril; Renipress; Renitec; Renopress; Sanvapress; Silpryl; Vasopril; **Canad:** Vasotec; **Chile:** Bajaten; Enalten; Esalfon; Gloten; Grlifon; Hiperson; Hipoartel; Lotrial; Vasolat; **Cz:** Acetensil; Berlipril; E-Cor; Ednyt; Enap; Enapirex; Enapril; Invoril; Renitec; **Denm:** Acerent; Alacor; Corodil; Enacodan; Enadil; Renitec; **Fin:** Enaloc; Enapress; Linatil; Renitec; **Fr:** Renitec; **Ger:** Benalpril; Corvo; Ena; Ena-Puren; Enabeta; enadura; Enahexal; **Gr:** Enalagamma; Enalich; Enalind; Jutaxan; Pres; Xanef; **Gr:** Agioten; Analept; Antiprex; Exetilan; Gnostocardin; Kaporlon-S; Kontic; Leovineal; Megapress; Octoxar; Olifenil; Protal; Rablas; Renitec; Stadelant; Supotron; Ulicadec; Virfen; Vitobell; **Hong Kong:** Anapril; Danssan; Enaldun; Lapril; Renitec; **Hung:** Acepril; Ednyt; Enap; Enapril; Invoril; Renapril; Renitec; **India:** BQL; Dilvas; Ena; EnAce; Envas; Nuril; **Indon:** Meipril; Renacard; Tencac; **Irl:** Ednyt; Enap; Innomel; Innovace; **Israel:** Convertin; Enaladec; **Ital:** Convertin; Enapren; Naprilene; Silverit; **Malaysia:** Acetec; Enapril; Invoril; Renitec; Zynace; **Mex:** Adytent; Albac; Apo-Pyl; Bimetad; Bionafil; Blocatril; EK-3; Enaladil; Enoval; Euronil; Feliberat; Gloten; Imotaron; Kenopril; Lipraken; Nalabest; Norpril; Palane; Pulsol; Quilomil; Ralser; Renitec; Vexotil; **Neth:** Renitec; **Norw:** Linatil; Renitec; **NZ:** Enahexal; Renitec; **Philipp:** Acebitor; Hipertal; Hypace; Naprilate; Renitec; Stadenace; Vasopress; **Pol:** Benalpril; Ednyt; Enap; Enareal; Enazil; Epril; Malpril; **Port:** Malpril; Cetampril; Chipli; Denapril; Diasistol; Aprepress; Hipobar; Hipertin; Malenit; Prilan; Renipril; Renitec; Tensazol; **Rus:** Bagopril (Багоприл); Berlipril (Берлиприл); Ednyt (Эднит); Enafarm (Энафарм); Enam (Энам); Enap (Энап); Enareal (Энареал); Enazil (Эназил); Envas (Энвас); Invoril (Инварил); Kalpiren (Кальпирен); Myo-

pril (Миоприл); Renipril (Рениприл); Renitec (Ренитек); Vasopren (Васопрен); **S.Afr:** Alapren; Ciplatec; Enap; Hypace; Pharmapress; Renitec; **Singapore:** Anapril; Corpnoril; Darenit; Enap; Enaril; Invoril; Korandil; Renatoril; Renitec; **Spain:** Acetensil; Baripril; Bitensil; Ciplito; Controlvas; Corpnoril; Crinoren; Dabonal; Ditenso; Herten; Hipoartel; Iecatec; Insup; Nacoril; Naprilene; Neotensin; Pressitan; Reac; Renitec; **Swed:** Linatil; Renitec; **Switz:** Acepril; Elpradil; ena-basari; Enasfar; Enatec; Epril; Renitec; Vasocor; **Thai:** Anapril; Enam; Enapril; Enaril; Envas; Iecatec; Invoril; Istopril; Korandil; Lapril; Nalopril; Naritec; Renitec; Unaril; **Turk:** Enalap; Enapril; Konveril; Renitec; Vasolapril; **UAE:** Narapril; **UK:** Enacardil; Innovace; Pralenal; **USA:** Vasotec; **Venez:** Cosil; Dinid; Enalapril; Enam; Enaprilval; Enecac; Fibrosan; Hipertil; Lapril; Prilace; Redopril; Reminat; Renitec; Tesorenit.

Multi-ingredient: **Arg:** Co-Renitec; Delfluin Plus; Fabotensil D; Gadopril D; Glotenzide; Kinfil D; Lotrial D; Lotrix; Maxen D; Nikion; Presi Regul D; Tencas D; Vapresan Diur; **Austral:** Renitec Plus; **Austria:** Co-Enac; Co-Enalapril; Co-Enanar; Co-Enatylot; Co-Mepril; Co-Renitec; Corenistad; Enacostad; Enalapril Comp; Enalapril/HCT; Renitec Plus; Synerpril; **Belg:** Co-Enalapril; Co-Renitec; **Braz:** Atens H; Atmos; Co-Enalil; Co-Enaprotec; Co-Presotess; Co-Presotess; Co-Renitec; Duopril; Enatec F; Eupressin H; Glotenzide; Malena HCT; Prytec-H; Sinengen; Vasopril Plus; **Canad:** Vaseretic; **Chile:** Bajaten D; Enalten D; Enalten DN; Esalfon D; Grlifonil-D; Hiperson D; Hipoartel H; Lotrial D; Normaten; Normaten Plus; **Cz:** Enap-H; Enap-HL; **Denm:** Co-Renitec; Corodil Comp; Enacozid; Synerpril; **Fin:** Enalapril Comp; Enaloc Comp; Linatil Comp; Renitec Comp; Renitec Plus; **Fr:** Co-Renitec; **Ger:** Benalpril Plus; Corvo HCT; Enabeta comp; Enadura Plus; Enahexal comp; Enala-Q comp; Enalagamma HCT; Enalapril Comp; Enalapril HCT; Enalapril plus; Enalapril-saar Plus; Enalich comp; Enaplus; Eneas; Pres plus; Renacor; **Gr:** Bumefyl; Co-Renitec; Coreodril; Eneas; Enit; Iperion; Modinexil; Nolarmin; Penopril; Protal comp; Savosan; Siberian; **Hong Kong:** Co-Renitec; **Hung:** Acepril Plus; Co-Enalapril; Co-Renitec; Ednyt HCT; Ednyt Plus; Enalapril Hexal Plus; Enalapril-HCT; Enap-HL; Renapril Plus; **India:** Dilvas AM; EnAce-D; Invoze; **Indon:** Tenazide; **Irl:** Innoze; **Israel:** Naprizide; **Ital:** Acesistem; Condiuren; Gentipress; Neoprex; Sinertec; Vasoretic; **Mex:** Co-Renitec; Glotenzide; **Neth:** Co-Renitec; Enacostad; Renitec Plus; **Norw:** Enalapril Comp; Renitec Comp; **NZ:** Co-Renitec; **Philipp:** Co-Renitec; **Pol:** Enap H; Enap HL; **Port:** Enatia; Eneas; Enit; Lapril; Neodur; Norpramin; Renidur; Renipril Plus; **Rus:** Co-Renitec (Ко-Ренитек); Enap-H (Энап-Н); Enap-HL (Энап-НЛ); Enizh (Энизик); Renipril HT (Рениприл ГТ); **S.Afr:** Co-Renitec; Enap-Co; Pharmapress Co; **Singapore:** Co-Renitec; Enap-HL; Glotenzide; **Spain:** Acediur; Acetensil Plus; Baripril Diur; Bitensil Diur; Co-Renitec; Crinoretic; Dabonal Plus; Ditenzine; Eneas; Enit; Hipoartel Plus; Neotensin Diur; Pressitan Plus; Renitecmax; Vipres; Zorak; **Swed:** Enalapril Comp; Linatil Comp; Renitec Comp; Synerpril; **Switz:** Co-Acepril; Co-Enalapril; Co-Enatec; Co-Epril; Co-Reniten; Co-Vasocor; Elpradil HCT; Epril Plus; Reniten Plus; **Turk:** Konveril Plus; **UK:** Innoze; **USA:** Lexxel; Teczem; Vaseretic; **Venez:** Co-Renitec; Duopres; Prioretic; Reminalet.

Endralazine Mesilate (BANM, rINNM)

BQ-22-708; Compound 22-708; Endralazine, Mésilate d'; Endralazine Mesylate (USAN); Endralazini Mesilas; Mesilato de endralazina. 6-Benzoyl-5,6,7,8-tetrahydropyrido[4,3-c]pyridazin-3-ylhydrazine monomethanesulfonate.

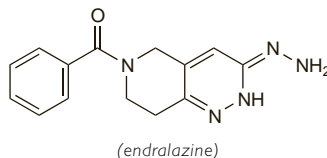
Эндралазина Мезилат

$C_{14}H_{15}N_5O_3S$ = 365.4.

CAS — 39715-02-1 (endralazine); 65322-72-7 (endralazine mesilate).

ATC — C02DB03.

ATC Vet — QC02DB03.



(endralazine)

Profile

Endralazine is a vasodilator with properties similar to those of hydralazine (p.1305). It has been used as the mesilate in the management of hypertension.

Preparations

Proprietary Preparations (details are given in Part 3)

Cz: Miretilant.

Enoxaparin Sodium (BAN, USAN, rINN)

Enoksaparininatrium; Enoksaparin Sodiyum; Enoksaparinio natrio druska; Enoksaparyna sodowa; Enoxaparin sodná sůl; Enoxaparina sódică; Enoxaparine sodique; Enoxaparinatnatrium; Enoxaparinatnatrium; Enoxaparinatnatrium; PK-10169; RP-54563.

Эноксапарин Натрий

CAS — 9041-08-1; 679809-58-6.

ATC — B01AB05.

ATC Vet — QB01AB05.

Pharmacopoeias. In *Eur.* (see p.vii) and *US*.

Ph. Eur. 6.2 (Enoxaparin Sodium). The sodium salt of a low-molecular-mass heparin that is obtained by alkaline depolymerisation of the benzyl ester derivative of heparin from porcine intestinal mucosa. The majority of the components have a 4-enopyranose uronate structure at the non-reducing end of their chain; 15 to 25% of the components have a 1,6-anhydro structure at the reducing end of their chain. The mass-average molecular mass ranges between 3800 and 5000 with a characteristic value

of about 4500. The degree of sulfation is about 2 per disaccharide unit.

The potency is not less than 90 units and not more than 125 units of anti-factor Xa activity per mg, calculated with reference to the dried substance. The anti-factor IIa activity is not less than 20 units and not more than 35 units per mg, calculated with reference to the dried substance. The ratio of anti-factor Xa activity to anti-factor IIa activity is between 3.3 and 5.3.

A 10% solution in water has a pH of 6.2 to 7.7.

USP 31 (Enoxaparin Sodium). The sodium salt of a depolymerised heparin obtained by alkaline depolymerisation of the benzyl ester derivative of heparin from porcine intestinal mucosa. Enoxaparin sodium consists of a complex set of oligosaccharides that have not yet been completely characterised. The majority of the components have a 4-enopyranose uronate structure at the non-reducing end of their chain. About 20% of the components contain a 1,6-anhydro derivative on the reducing end of the chain. The mass-average molecular weight of enoxaparin sodium is 4,500, the range being between 3,800 and 5,000.

It has a potency of not less than 90 units and not more than 125 units of anti-factor Xa per mg, and not less than 20 units and not more than 35 units of anti-factor IIa per mg, calculated with reference to the dried substance. The ratio of anti-factor Xa activity to anti-factor IIa activity is between 3.3 and 5.3.

A 10% solution in water has a pH of 6.2 to 7.7. Store in airtight containers at a temperature below 40°.

Units

As for Low-molecular-weight Heparins, p.1329.

Adverse Effects, Treatment, and Precautions

As for Low-molecular-weight Heparins, p.1329. Patients with low body-weight (women below 45 kg, men below 57 kg) may be at higher risk of bleeding with prophylactic doses of enoxaparin and require careful monitoring.

Severe bleeding with enoxaparin may be reduced by the slow intravenous injection of protamine sulfate; 1 mg of protamine sulfate is stated to inhibit the effects of 1 mg (100 units) of enoxaparin sodium.

Interactions

As for Low-molecular-weight Heparins, p.1329.

Pharmacokinetics

Enoxaparin is rapidly and almost completely absorbed after subcutaneous injection with a bioavailability of about 100%. Peak plasma activity is reached within 1 to 5 hours. The elimination half-life is about 4 to 5 hours but anti-factor Xa activity persists for up to 24 hours after a 40-mg dose. Elimination is prolonged in patients with renal impairment. Enoxaparin is metabolised in the liver and excreted in the urine, as unchanged drug and metabolites.

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Uses and Administration

Enoxaparin sodium is a low-molecular-weight heparin (p.1329) with anticoagulant properties. It is used in the treatment and prophylaxis of venous thromboembolism (p.1189) and to prevent clotting during extracorporeal circulation. It is also used in the management of unstable angina (p.1157) and in ST-elevation myocardial infarction (p.1175).

In the **prophylaxis of venous thromboembolism** during surgical procedures, enoxaparin sodium is given by subcutaneous injection; treatment is continued for 7 to 10 days or until the patient is ambulant.

- Patients at low to moderate risk are given 20 mg (2000 units) once daily with the first dose about 2 hours pre-operatively.
- In patients at high risk, such as those undergoing orthopaedic surgery, the dose should be increased to 40 mg (4000 units) once daily with the initial dose given about 12 hours before the procedure. Alternatively, a dose of 30 mg (3000 units) may be given subcutaneously twice daily, starting within 12 to 24