West of Scotland ORAL/ OTHER ROUTE Drug Monographs

Diazoxide

FORM Oral suspension 50mg/ml

INDICATION Hyperinsulinism

DOSE RANGE

AGE	DOSE	FREQUENCY	ROUTE
0-6 months	Initially 1.7mg/kg THREE times daily to establish a response Adjust dose according to response. Usual maintenance dose 1.5mg- 3mg/kg*	2 -3 times daily	Oral

^{*} Up to 7mg/kg 3 times daily may be required in some cases; higher doses unlikely to be beneficial.

- Total fluid volume should be restricted to 130ml/kg/day for at least 24 hours prior to starting diazoxide treatment, whilst maintaining euglycaemia.
- Commence treatment with chlorothiazide in line with the neonatal monograph.

CAUTIONS, CONTRA-INDICATIONS AND SIDE EFFECTS

- See Summary of Product Characteristics and most recent edition of BNF for Children (links below)

LICENSED STATUS Unlicensed medicine

LINKS BNF for Children: / Electronic Medicines Compendium

APPLICABLE POLICIES West of Scotland Neonatal Guidelines:

Consult local policy if applicable

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Dose may vary depending on indication, age, renal function, hepatic function, and concomitant medications. This monograph should be used in conjunction with the package insert, BNF for Children, and Summary of Product Characteristics. For further advice contact your clinical pharmacist or pharmacy department.

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