

SUMMARY OF PRODUCT CHARACTERISTICS

1. Name of the medicinal Product

EMZOLYTE (Oral Rehydration Salts BP 20.5 gm)

2. Qualitative and quantitative composition

Sr.No	Ingredients Chemical Name	Specification	Qty. Required /Sachet (gm)	Function
1	Dextrose	BP	13.500	Active
2	Sodium Chloride	BP	2.600	Active
3	Sodium Citrate	BP	2.900	Active
4	Potassium Chloride	BP	1.500	Active
5	Flavour : Orange Powder		0.100	Flavoring agent

3. Pharmaceutical form

Oral Rehydration

Description: White to off white coloured crystalline powder.

4. Clinical particulars

4.1 Therapeutic indications

Oral rehydration salt is indicated for the treatment of acute diarrhea and the treatment and prevention of dehydration by replacing fluids and electrolytes lost through diarrhoea.

4.2 Posology and method of administration Adults, the elderly and children over 12 years:

The contents of one or two sachets to be taken after each loose motion.

Children 1 to 12 years:

The contents of one sachet to be taken after each loose motion.

Infants under 1 year:

Not to be given unless instructed by a doctor, in which case one to one and a half the usual 24 hour feed volumes should be given.

During the first 24 hours of illness Replavite should replace normal feeds in bottle fed babies, gradually resuming normal feeds as the baby gets better. In breast fed babies, firstly there recommended amount of Relative should be given and then breast fed until satisfactory.

Reconstitution

The contents of each sachet should be dissolved in 200 ml (7 fluid ounces) of fresh drinking water (adults and children).

Freshly boiled and cooled water should be used for infants and when fresh water is not available. The solution should be made up immediately before use and used within one hour. If refrigerated the solution can be kept for up to 24 hours. A doctor should be consulted if symptoms persist for longer than 24-48 hours.

Method of administration

For oral use

4.3 Contraindications

Contraindicated in patients with phenylketonuria or those with hypersensitivity to any of the ingredients.

Oral treatment is inappropriate in such conditions as severe dehydration, which requires parenteral fluid therapy or intestinal obstruction.

4.4 Special warnings and precautions for use

Severe and persistent diarrhoea should be treated under medical supervision. If symptoms persist for more than 24–48 hours, medical advice should be sought.

Inability to drink or retain fluids requires medical supervision.

Children

- Rehydration treatments should only be given to children under 1 year of age on medical advice.
- If a young child (particularly one under 6 months of age) has diarrhoea and/or vomiting advice should be sought from a pharmacist, doctor or other health care professional. If the diarrhoea and/or vomiting is severe the child should be seen by a doctor as soon as possible.

Renal Impairment

- Medical supervision is necessary in patients with renal disease, including anuria and prolonged oliguria.

Hepatic Impairment: Low potassium or Sodium diets: Diabetes

- Treatments should be supervised by a physician.

This product contains dextrose. Patients with rare glucose-galactose malabsorption should not take this medicine.

4.5 Interaction with other medicinal products and other forms of interaction

ium Bicarbonate

Increases excretion of lithium, resulting in a reduced plasma-lithium concentration.

Potassium Chloride

ACE inhibitors (hyperkalemia); cyclosporine (increased risk of hyperkalemia).

Potassium sparing diuretics where hyperkalemia may result. No known interaction with other actives.

4.6 Fertility, pregnancy and lactation

May be used during pregnancy and lactation as there are no known adverse effects.

4.7 Effect on ability to drive and use machines

No studies on the effects on the ability to drive and use machines have been performed.

4.8 Undesirable effects

None stated.

4.9 Overdose

If significant overdose occurs, serum and electrolytes should be evaluated. Corrective measures should be carried out and levels monitored until a return to normal levels is achieved.

5. Pharmacological properties

5.1 Pharmacodynamic properties

The reconstituted solution contains a mixture of sodium and potassium salts along with glucose, which facilitates the absorption of sodium and potassium from the intestine. Water is drawn from the bowel by the osmotic effect. As well as "drying up" the stools, the dehydration and loss of electrolytes caused by the diarrhea is corrected by the water and electrolytes absorbed.

Pharmacotherapeutic group: Electrolytes with Carbohydrates

ATC Code: A07CA

5.2 Pharmacokinetic properties **Dextrose**

After oral administration dextrose/glucose is completely absorbed by a sodium dependent uptake mechanism exhibiting saturation kinetics. Blood levels return to normal within two hours of ingestion.

Potassium Chloride

No specific control mechanisms limit absorption of potassium, which is usually complete. Potassium is excreted largely by the kidneys, though 10% is excreted by the colonic mucosa. Potassium excretion is reduced in patients with renal impairment and in the elderly, so extreme cautions should be used in treating such patients with potassium salts.

Sodium Bicarbonate

Kinetics are determined by the physiological state of the patient at the time.

Sodium Chloride

Readily absorbed from the gastrointestinal tract. Gut absorption, particularly in the jejunum is enhanced by the addition of glucose. Under conditions of sodium balance, the excretion of sodium in the urine will match intake.

5.3 Pre-clinical safety data

Not applicable

6. Pharmaceutical particulars

6.1 List of excipient

Flavour Orange Powder

6.2 Incompatibilities

Not applicable.

6.3 Shelflife

36Months

6.4 Specialprecautionsforstorage

Storebelow30°C.Protectfromlight&moisture.

6.5 Natureandcontentsofcontainer

20.5gmpowderpackedinaluminumfoilsachet.Such25sachets'arepackedin cartonalongwithaninsert.

6.6Specialprecautionsfordisposal<andotherhandling>

NotApplicable

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