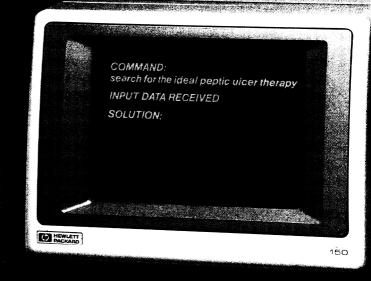
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be used with caution in patients with renal dysfunction. 2. Although animal reproductive studies show no evidence of foetal malformations, safety in pregnant women has not been established and Antepsin should be used during pregnancy only if clearly needed. 3. It is not known whether this drug is excreted in human milk. Caution should be exercised when Antepsin is administered to a nursing woman. Drug Interactions: Concomitant administration of Antepsin may reduce the bio-availability of certain drugs as has been observed in animal studies with tetracycline, phenytoin and cimetidine, and in human studies with digoxin. Administration of Antepsin with any of these drugs should be separated by two hours. Since Antepsin may hinder warfarin absorption, caution should be exercised when these two drugs are used together. Side Effects: A low incidence of mild side effects, e.g. constipation, has been reported. Overdosage: There is no experience in humans with overdosage. Acute oral toxicity studies in animals, however, using doses up to 12g/kg body weight, could not find a lethol dose. Risks associated with

sucralfate

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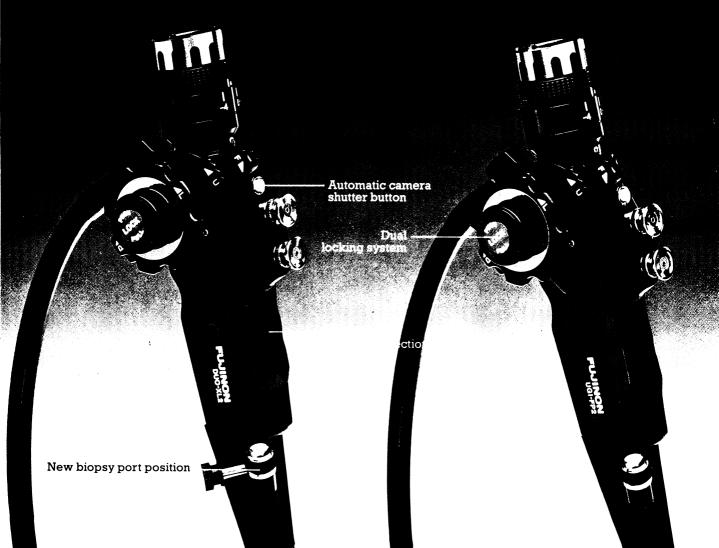
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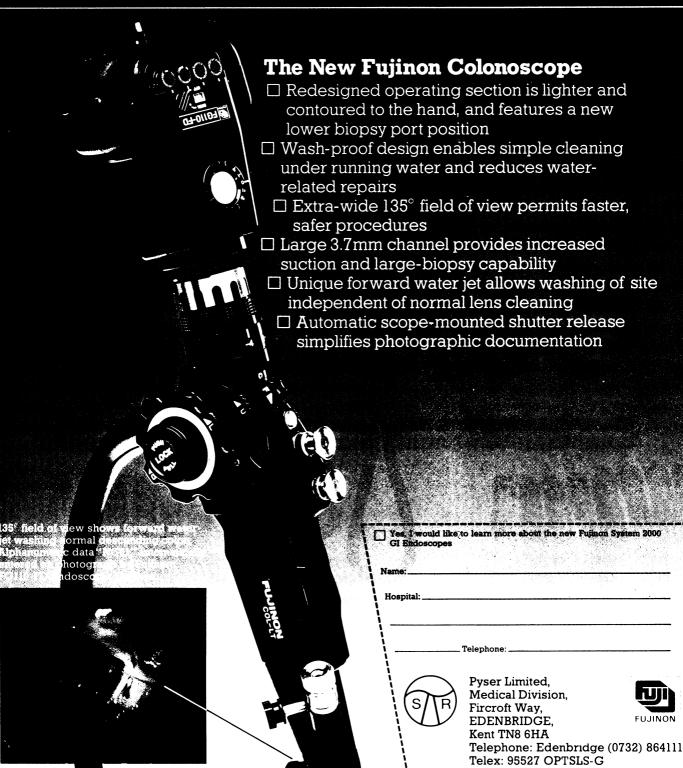
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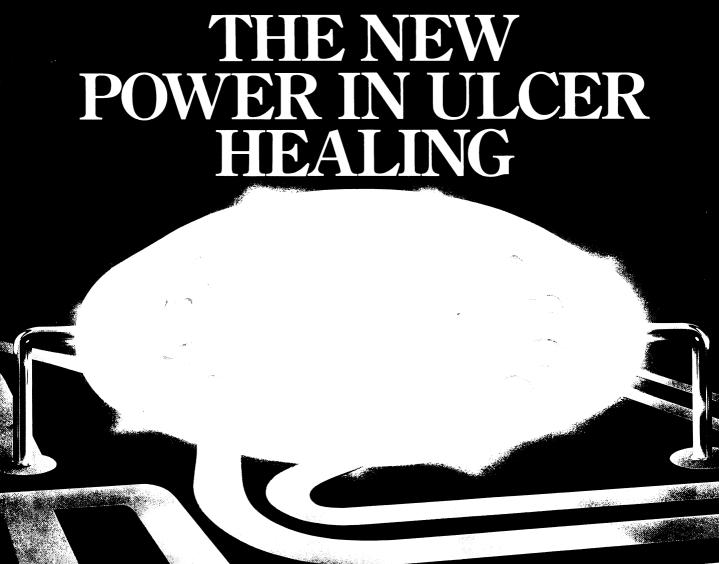
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PRESCRIBING INFORMATION

Presentation: Enteric-coated gelatin capsule. Each contains 0.2 ml standardised peppermint oil B.P., Ph. Eur. Uses: For the treatment of symptoms of discomfort and of abdominal colic and distension experienced by patients with irritable bowel syndrome. Dosage and Administration: One capsule three times a day, preferably before meals and taken with a small quantity of water. The capsules should not be taken immediately after food. The dose may be increased to two capsules, three times a day when discomfort is more severe. The capsules should be taken until symptoms resolve, usually within one or two weeks. At times when symptoms are more persistent, the capsules can be continued for longer periods of between 2 to 3 months. There is no experience in the use of these capsules in children under the age of 15 years.



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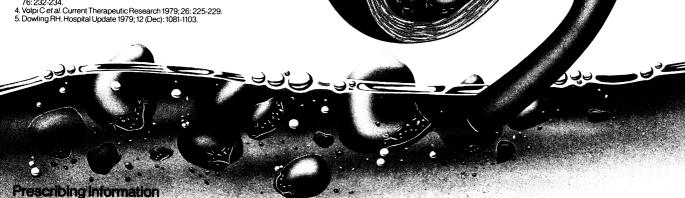
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Presentation White opaque hard gelatin capsules containing 250 mg ursodeoxycholic acid (UDCA). Uses Dissolution of radiolucent gallstones measuring up to 15 mm diameter, as assessed on X-ray films, in patients whose gall bladders opacity on oral cholecystography. Ursofalk lowers biliary cholesterol secretion, reduces cholesterol saturation in bile, and facilitates transfer of cholesterol from gallstones to bile. Dosage and Administration The following dosage regime is recommended to provide a daily dosage of 8–12 mg UDCA/kg:

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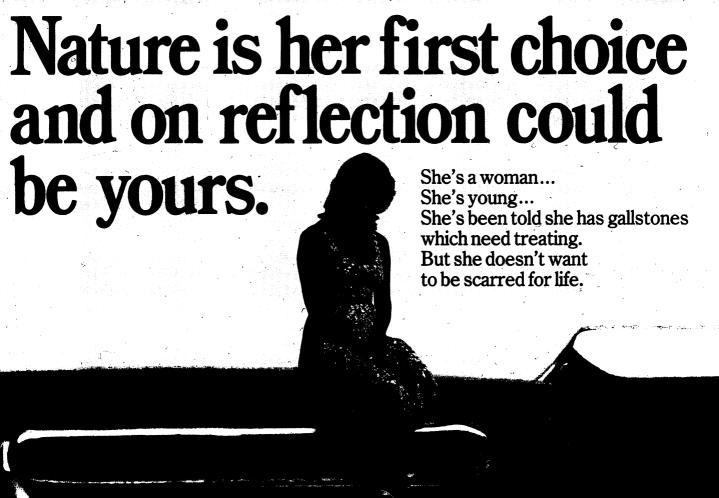
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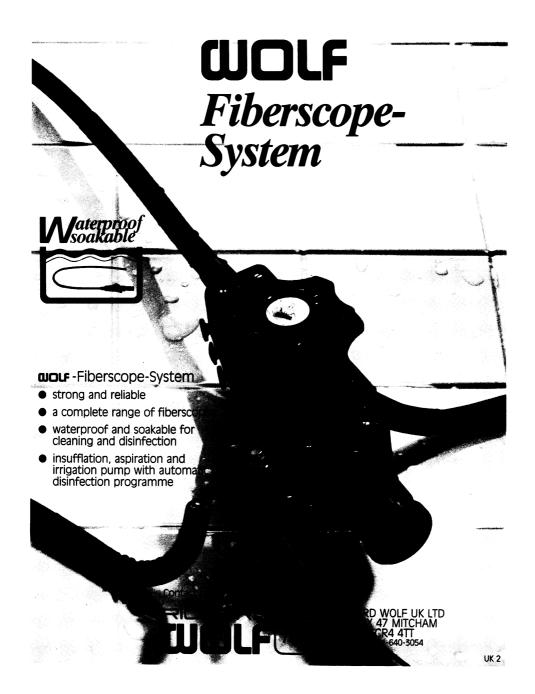
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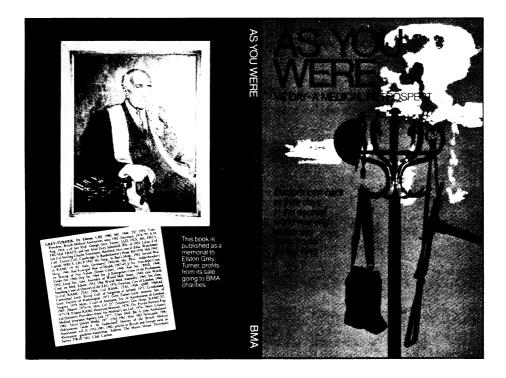
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