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INDICATIONS Duodenal ulcer, benign gastric ulcer, ulcers associated with non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs), prevention of NSAID-associated duodenal ulcer, oesophageal reflux disease, severe oesophagitis, long-term management of healed oesophagitis, chronic episodic dyspepsia. **DOSAGE Adults:** Duodenal ulceration and gastric ulceration: A single 300mg dose at bedtime or 150mg twice daily in the morning and evening for four weeks. Alternatively, in duodenal ulcers, 300mg in the morning and evening for four weeks to achieve optimal healing. Continued maintenance treatment of 150mg at bedtime is recommended for patients with a history of recurrent ulceration. Ulcers following non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drug therapy or associated with continued non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs: 150mg twice daily for up to eight weeks. Prevention of NSAID-associated duodenal ulcer: 150mg twice daily concomitantly with NSAID therapy. Chronic episodic dyspepsia: 150mg twice daily for six weeks, investigate early relapsers and non-responders. Oesophageal reflux disease: 300mg at bedtime or 150mg twice daily for up to eight weeks. Moderate to severe oesophagitis: 150mg four times daily for up to twelve weeks (see data sheet for full dosage instructions). Long-term treatment of healed oesophagitis: 150mg twice daily. **Children:** Oral dose for peptic ulcer: 2mg/kg to 4mg/kg, twice daily to a maximum of 300mg per day. **CONTRA-INDICATIONS** Patients with known hypersensitivity to ranitidine. **PRECAUTIONS** In patients in whom sodium restriction is indicated, care should be taken when administering sodium-containing Effervescent Tablets. Exclude the possibility of malignancy in gastric ulcer before instituting therapy, especially in middle-aged patients with new or recently changed dyspeptic symptoms. Regular supervision of patients taking NSAIDs

concomitantly with Zantac is recommended, especially if elderly. Reduce dosage in the presence of severe renal failure (see data sheet). Avoid in patients with history of porphyria. Effervescent Tablets contain aspartame, use with caution in patients with phenylketonuria. Like other drugs, use during pregnancy and lactation only if strictly necessary. **SIDE EFFECTS** Headache, dizziness, skin rash, occasional hepatitis, rarely arthralgia, myalgia. Rarely, reversible mental confusion states, usually in very ill or elderly patients. Rare cases of leucopenia and thrombocytopenia, usually reversible, agranulocytosis and pancytopenia. Hypersensitivity reactions, anaphylactic shock. Rare cases of breast symptoms in men. As with other H₂-receptor antagonists rare cases of bradycardia, A-V block and asystole (see data sheet). **PRESENTATIONS** Zantac 150 Tablets each containing 150mg ranitidine HCl, (Product licence number 10949/0042, 60 tablets £27-89); Zantac 300 Tablets each containing 300mg ranitidine HCl (Product licence number 10949/0043, 30 tablets £27-43); Zantac Effervescent Tablets each containing 150mg ranitidine HCl and 14.3mEq sodium, (Product licence number 0004/0392, 60 tablets £27-89); Zantac Effervescent Tablets each containing 300mg ranitidine HCl and 20.8mEq sodium (Product licence number 0004/0393, 30 tablets £27-43); Zantac Syrup each 10ml dose containing 150mg ranitidine HCl (Product licence number 0004/0310, 300ml bottle £22-32). **PRODUCT LICENCE HOLDERS** Glaxo Operations UK Limited, Greenford, Middlesex UB6 0HE. Glaxo Pharmaceuticals UK Limited, Stockley Park West, Uxbridge, Middlesex, UB11 1BT. **POM** Zantac is a Glaxo trade mark.

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*Oesophageal reflux disease = symptoms and/or tissue damage attributable to reflux. Symptoms vary considerably from one sufferer to another, but the most typical are heartburn and regurgitation.

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PRESCRIBING INFORMATION Uses: *Adults (including the elderly)*: The acute treatment of nausea and vomiting of any aetiology, for up to 12 weeks treatment of nausea and vomiting due to L-dopa and bromocriptine, and for the treatment of symptoms of functional dyspepsia. Not recommended for chronic use nor, routinely, for prophylaxis of post-operative vomiting. *Children*: Only for nausea and vomiting following cancer chemotherapy or irradiation. **Presentations** Motilium tablets (domperidone 10mg): Cartons of 30 and 100 tablets in blister strips of 10. Basic NHS cost 30 tablets: £2.52, 100 tablets: £8.42. PL 0071/0287. Motilium suspension (domperidone 1mg/ml): Bottles of 200ml. Basic NHS cost of 200ml: £1.85. PL 0071/0292. Motilium suppositories (domperidone 30mg): Cartons of 10 in blister strips of 5. Basic NHS cost 10 suppositories: £2.72. PL 0071/0290. **Dosages** Route, dose and frequency of dosing should be adjusted according to severity and duration of symptoms. **For the treatment of nausea and vomiting** *Adults (including the elderly)*: Tablets or suspension: 10-20mg at 4-8 hourly intervals. Suppositories: 1 or 2 at 4-8 hourly intervals. *Children*: Suspension: 0.2-0.4mg/kg at 4-8 hourly intervals. Suppositories: For children aged 2-12 years, 1-4 daily according to body weight (see Data Sheet). **For treatment of symptoms of functional dyspepsia** *Adults (including the elderly)*: Tablets: Up to 10-20mg orally 3 times daily before meals and 10-20mg at night depending on clinical response. A course of treatment should not exceed 12 weeks. *Children*: Not recommended. **Contra-indications/Warnings, etc.** No specific contra-indications. Safety of Motilium in pregnancy has not yet been established, therefore it should be avoided in those who are pregnant. Domperidone is excreted into breast milk but at very low levels. **Side effects**: In common with other dopamine antagonists Motilium produces a rise in serum prolactin which may be associated with e.g. galactorrhoea, and less frequently gynaecomastia, breast enlargement or soreness etc.. Domperidone does not readily cross the normally functioning blood-brain barrier. However, acute extrapyramidal dystonic reactions have been reported with Motilium, which should be treated with an anticholinergic antiparkinsonian drug, or a benzodiazepine. Occasional rashes and other allergic phenomena have been reported. Motilium is a registered trade mark. **Legal category**: POM. **Date of preparation**: September 1993. **References**: 1. Totsuta M *et al.* *Scand J Gastroenterol* 1989; **24** (2): 251-256. 2. De Schepper A *et al.* *Arzneimittelforsch* 1978; **28** (7): 1196-1199. 3. Belkhi A & Rutgers L. *Postgrad Med J* 1979; **55** (Suppl.1): 30-32. 4. Van de Mierop L *et al.* *Digestion* 1979; **19**: 244-250. 5. Sarin SK *et al.* *Indian J Med Res* 1986; **83** (June): 623-628. 6. De Loose F *et al.* (unpublished study - July 1980). 7. Agorastos I *et al.* *J Int Med Res* 1981; **9** (2): 143-147. Further information is available on request from: Sanofi Winthrop Limited, One Onslow Street, Guildford, Surrey GU1 4YS. Telephone: (0483) 505515. Fax: (0483) 35432.

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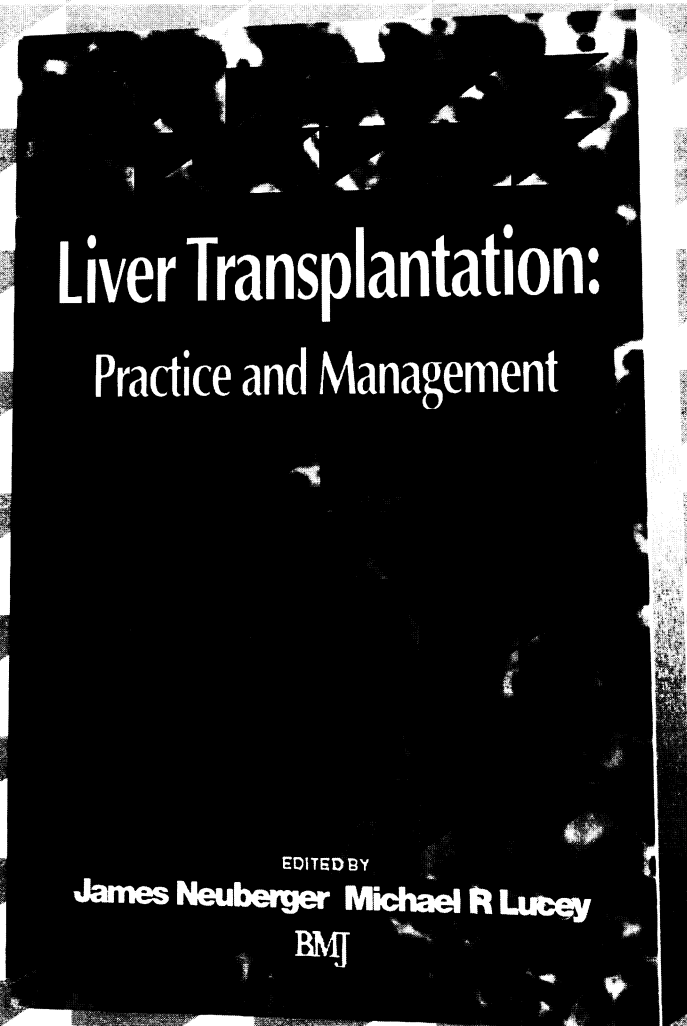
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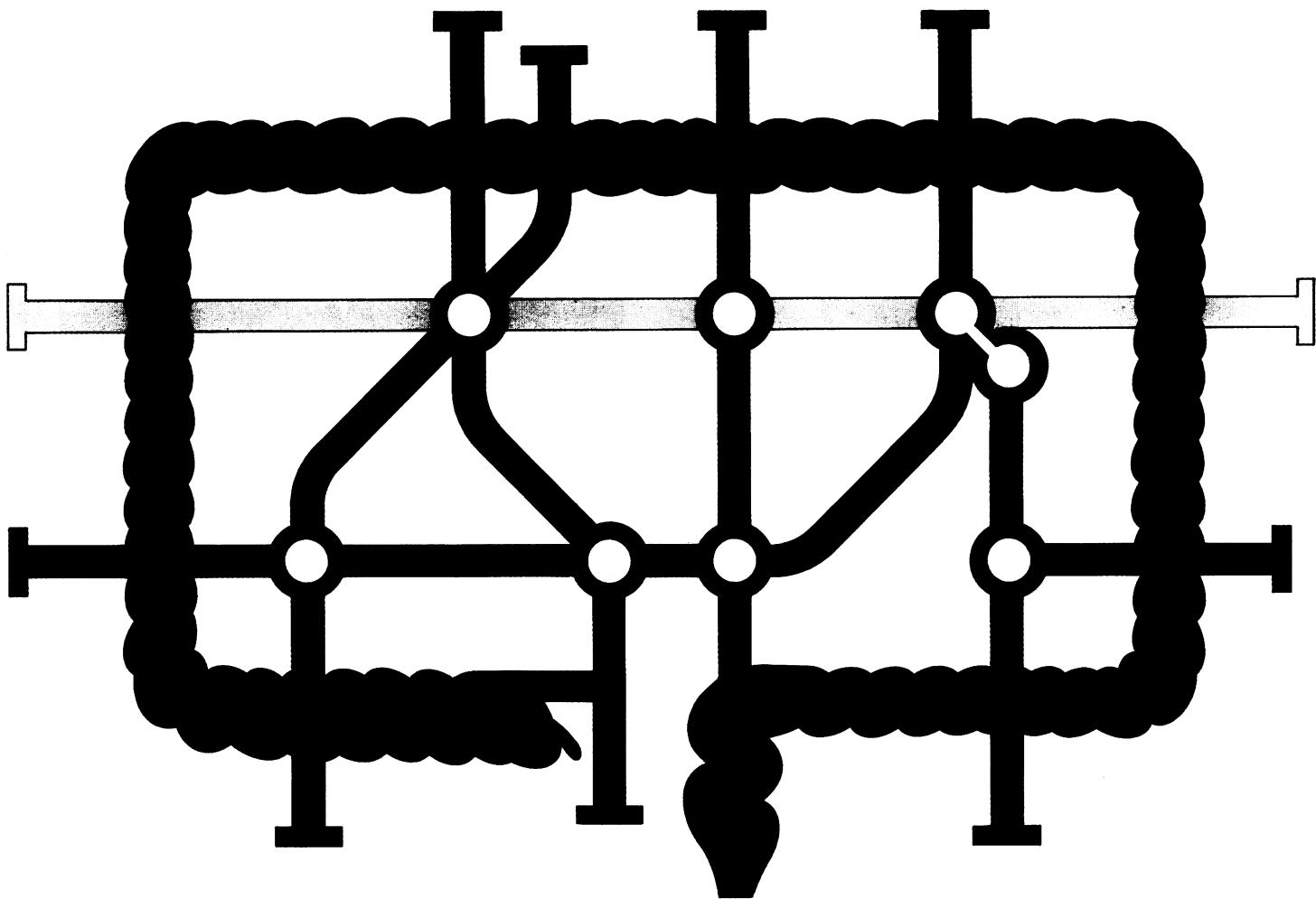
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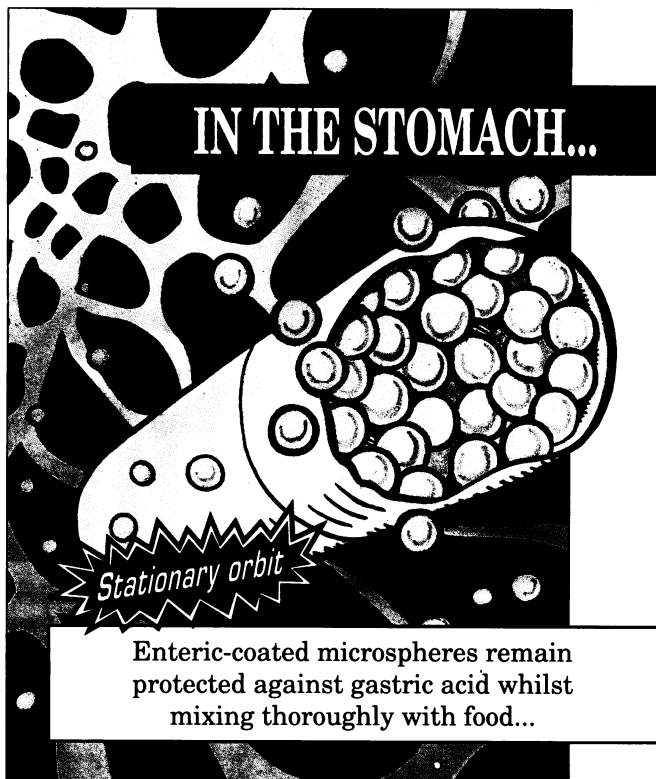
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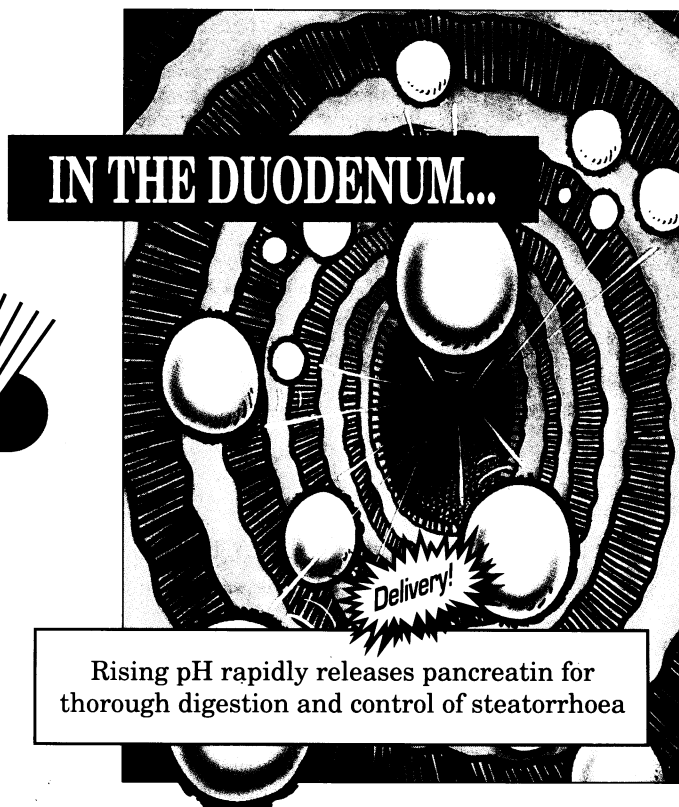
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1. Stead R J et al. *Thorax* 1987; 42: 533-37.
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