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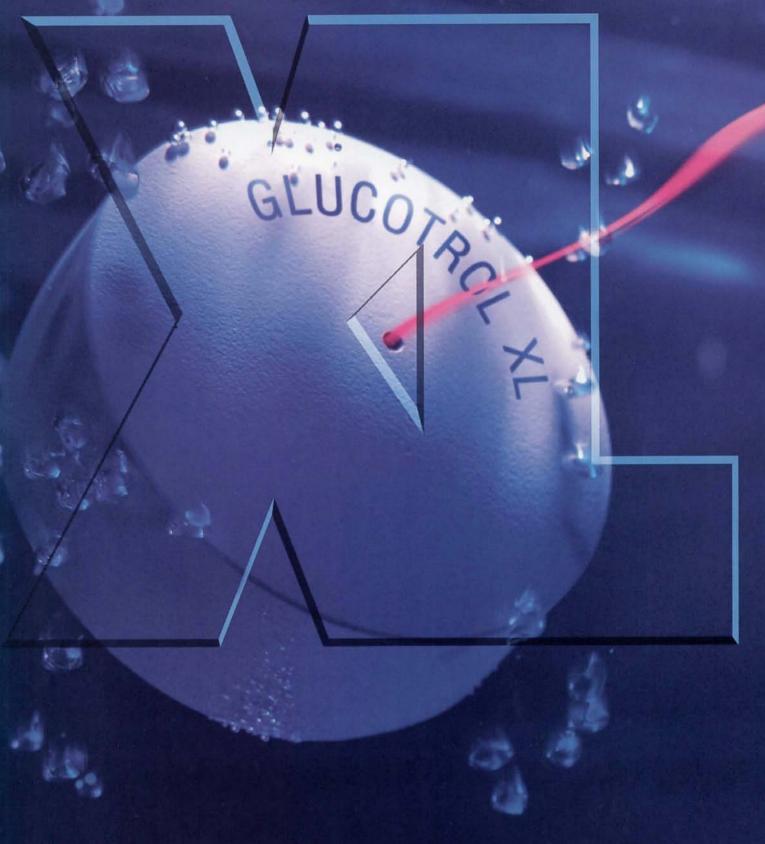
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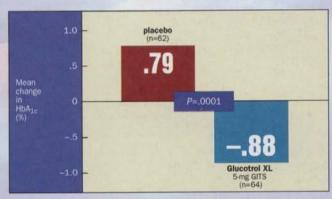
## When diet alone fails in NIDDM\*— Effective 24-hour glucose control with once-daily dosing at all doses



Non-insulin-dependent diabetes mellitus.

<sup>†</sup> Gastrointestinal therapeutic system.

#### Significant decrease in glycosylated hemoglobin (HbA<sub>1c</sub>) vs placebo<sup>1</sup>



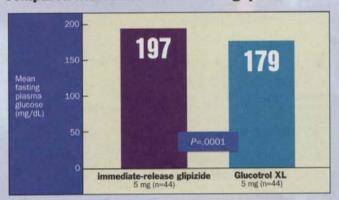
A pooled analysis of two16-week, multicenter, randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled, fixed-dose studies. After a 1-week washout from current sulfonylurea therapy, or diet failures, patients received 3 weeks of placebo. Following a 4-week titration period in a fixed, double-blind regimen, patients were treated with the assigned dose for 8 weeks.

#### Glucotrol XL is well tolerated<sup>1</sup>

	placebo (%) (n=69)	Glucotrol XL (%) (n=278)
Asthenia	13.0	10.1
Headache	8.7	8.6
Dizziness	5.8	6.8
Diarrhea	0.0	5.4'
Nervousness	2.9	3.6
Tremor	0.0	3.6
Flatulence	1.4	3.2
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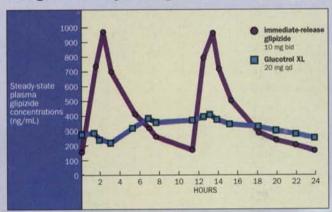
Incidence of hypoglycemia in 580 patients, who received Glucotrol XL in doses ranging from 5 mg to 60 mg, was 3.4%; only 2.6% of patients discontinued due to hypoglycemia. None of the patients required hospitalization. In the controversial UGDP study, there have been reports of increased cardiovascular risk associated with hypoglycemic therapy. 1

## Significantly lower fasting plasma glucose (FPG) levels and equivalent HbA<sub>1c</sub> concentrations compared with immediate-release glipizide<sup>1</sup>



Glucotrol XL<sup>™</sup> (glipizide) extended release tablets and immediate-release glipizide were compared in a 16-week, multicenter, open-label, crossover study. The data represent the final FPG levels after 8 weeks of each treatment.<sup>1</sup>

#### Glucotrol XL maintains consistent drug levels throughout the day and night<sup>1</sup>



Glucotrol XL 20 mg qd or immediate-release glipizide 10 mg bid were studied in a 5-day, open, randomized, multiple-dose, two-way, crossover study of 20 male patients with NIDDM. Mean glipizide concentration-time profiles on day 5 are shown.<sup>1</sup>

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As with all sulfonylureas, hypoglycemia may occur.

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## IUCOTALX X (glipizide) extended release Tablets 5 mg and 10 mg GITS

- No need to dose 30 minutes before a meal
- Optimal patient care requires careful titration to the lowest effective dose when using all oral sulfonvlureas
- Continued monitoring of HbA<sub>1c</sub> or FPG levels is recommended throughout therapy

Reference: 1 Data on file

#### **Brief Summary of Prescribing Information**

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INDICATIONS AND USAGE: GLUCOTROL XL is indicated as an adjunct to diet for the control of hyperglycemia and its associated symptomatology in patients with non-insulin-dependent diabetes mellitius (NIDDM; type II), formerly known as maturity-onset diabetes, after an adequate trial of dietary therapy has proved unsatisfactory.

CONTRAINDICATIONS: Clipizide is contraindicated in patients with: 1. Known hypersensitivity to the drug and 2. Diabetic ketoacidosis, with or without coma. This condition should be treated with insulin.

SPECIAL WARNING ON INCREASED RISK OF CARDIOVASCULAR MORTALITY: The administration of oral hypoglycemic drugs has been reported to be associated with increased cardiovascular mortality as compared to treatment with diet alone or diet plus insulin.

As with any other non-deformable material, caution should be used when administering (pathologic or latrogenic). There have been rare reports of obstructive symptoms in patients with nown strictures in association with the ingestion of another drug in this non-deformable sustained release formulation.

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GI Disease: Markedly reduced GI retention times of the GLUCOTROL XL Extended Release Tablets may influence the pharmacokinetic profile and hence the clinical efficacy of the drug.

Hypoglycemia: All sullonylurea drugs are capable of producing severe hypoglycemia. Renal or hepatic insufficiency may affect the disposition of glipizide and the latter may also diminish gluconeogenic capacity, both of which increase the risk of serious hypoglycemic reactions. Elderly, debilitated or malnourished patients, and those with adreal or pitulary insufficiency are particularly susceptible to the hypoglycemic action of glucose-lowering drugs. Hypoglycemia is more likely to occur when caloric intake is deficient, after severe or prolonged exercise, when alcohol is ingested, or when more than one glucose-lowering drug is used.

Loss of Control of Blood Glucose: When a patient stabilized on any diabetic regimen is exposed to stress such as tever, trauma, infection, or surgery, a loss of control may occur. At such times, it may be necessary to discontinue glipizide and administer insulin. Adequate adjustment of dose and adherence to diet should be assessed before classifying a patient as a secondary failure.

Laboratory Tests: Blood and urine glucose should be monitored periodically. Measurement of hemoglobin A<sub>1C</sub> may be useful.

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Information for Patients: Patients should be informed that GLUCOTROL XL Extended Release Tablets should be swallowed whole. Patients should not chew, divide or crush tablets. Patients should not be concerned it they occasionally notice in their stool something that looks like a tablet. In the GLUCOTROL XL Extended Release Tablet, the medication is contained within a nonabsorbable shell that has been specially designed to slowly release the drug so the body can absorb it. When this process is completed, the empty tablet is eliminated from the body. Patients should be informed of the potential risks and advantages of GLUCOTROL XL and of alternative modes of therapy. They should also be informed about the importance of adhering to dietary instructions, of a regular exercise program, and of regular testing of urine and/or blood glucose.

The risks of hypoglycemia, its symptoms and treatment, and conditions that predispose to its development should be explained to patients and responsible family members. Primary and secondary failure also should be explained.

Drug Interactions: The hypoglycemic action of sullonylureas may be potentiated by certain drugs including nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory agents and other drugs that are highly protein bound, salicylates, sulfonamides, chloramphelnicol, probenecid, coumarins, monoamine oxidase inhibitors, and beta-adrenegic blocking agents. In vitro binding studies with human serum proteins indicate that glipizide binds differently than tolbutamide and does not interact with salicylate or dicumarol. However, caution must be exercised in extrapolating these findings to the clinical situation and in the use of qlipizide with these drugs.

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Certain drugs tend to produce hyperglycemia and may lead to loss of control. These drugs include the thiazides and other directises, colicitoridizaries, thyroid products, estrogens, oral contraceptives, phenytoin, nicotinic acid, sympathomimetics, calcium channel blocking drugs, and isoniazid.

A potential interaction between oral miconazole and oral hypoglycemic agents leading to severe hypoglycemia has been reported. Whether this interaction also occurs with the intrevenous, topical, or vaginal preparations of miconazole is not known. The effect of concomitant administration of Diffucan<sup>60</sup> (fluconazole) and Glucotrol<sup>60</sup> has been demonstrated in a placebo-controlled crossover study in normal volunteers. All subjects received Glucotrol alone and following treatment with 100 mg of Diffucan<sup>60</sup> as a single daily oral dose for 7 days. The mean percentage increase in the Glucotrol AUC after fluconazole administration was 56.9% (range: 35 to 81%).

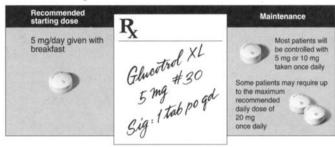
Carcinogenesis, Mutagenesis, Impairment of Fertility: A twenty month study in rats and an eighteen month study in mice at doses up to 75 times the maximum human dose revealed on evidence of drug-related carcinogenicity. Bacterial and in vivo mutagenicity tests were uniformly negative. Studies in rats of both sexes at doses up to 75 times the human dose showed no effects on fertility.

Pregnancy: Pregnancy Category C: Glipizide was found to be mildly fetotoxic in rat reproductive studies at all dose levels (5-50 mg/kg). This fetotoxicity has been similarly noted with other sulfonylureas, such as follobutamide and tolazamide. The effect is perinatal and believed to be directly related to the pharmacologic (hypoglycemic) action of glipizide. In studies in rats and rabbits no te

levels as close to normal as possible.

Nonteratogenic Effects: Prolonged severe hypoglycemia (4 to 10 days) has been reported in neonates born to mothers who were receiving a sulfonylurea drug at the time of delivery. This has been reported more frequently with the use of agents with prolonged half-lives. If glipizide is used during pregnancy, it should be discontinued at least one month before the expected delivery date.

#### Flexible dosing schedule



Nursing Mothers: Although it is not known whether glipizide is excreted in human milk, some sulfonylurea drugs are known to be excreted in human milk. A decision should be made whether to discontinue nursing or to discontinue the drug. If the drug is discontinued and if diet alone is inadequate for controlling blood glucose, insulin therapy

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Pediatric Use: Salety and effectiveness in children have not been established.

Geriatric Use: Othe total number of patients in clinical studies of GLUCOTROL XL, 33 percent were 65 and over. No overall differences in effectiveness or safety were observed between these patients and younger patients, but greater sensitivity of some individuals cannot be ruled out. Approximately 1-2 days longer were required to reach steady state in the elderly. (See CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY and DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION).

ADVERSE REACTIONS: In U.S. controlled studies the frequency of serious adverse experiences reported was very low and causal relationship has not been established. The 580 patients from 31 to 87 years of age who received

row and causal relationship has not been established. The 580 patients from 31 to 87 years of age who received GLUCOTROL XL Extended Release Tablets in doses from 5 mg to 60 mg in both controlled and open trials were included in the evaluation of adverse experiences. All adverse experiences reported were tabulated independently of their possible causal relation to medication.

Hypoglycemia: See PRECAUTIONS and OVERDOSAGE sections.

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In double-blind, placebo-controlled studies the adverse experiences reported with an incidence of 3% or more in GLUCOTROL XL-treated patients (N=278) and placebo-treated patients (N=69), respectively, include:
Asthenia - 10.1% and 13.0%; Headache - 8.6% and 8.7%; Dizziness - 6.8% of 5.8%; Nervousness - 3.6% and 2.9%; Termor - 3.6% and 0.7%; Dizziness - 6.8% and 5.8%; Tatulence - 3.2% and 1.4%.

The following adverse experiences occurred with an incidence of less than 3% in GLUCOTROL XL-treated patients:

Body as a whole - pain; Nervous system - insomnia, paresthesia, anxiety, depression and hypesthesia; Gastrointestinal - nausea, dyspepsia, constipation and vomiting; Metabolic - hypoglycemia; Musculoskeletal -arthalgia, leg cramps and myalgia; Cardiovascular - syncope; Skin - sweating and pruritus; Respiratory - minitis;

arthalgia, leg cramps and myalgia; Cardiovascular - syncope; Skin - sweating and pruritus; Respiratory - rhinitis; Special senses - blurred vision; Urogenital - polyuria.

Other adverse experiences occurred with an incidence of less than 1% in GLUCOTROL XL-treated patients: Body as a whole - chills; Nervous system - hypertonia, confusion, vertigo, somnolence, gait abnormality and decreased libido; Gastrointestinal - anorexia and trace blood in stool; Metabolic - thirst and edema; Cardiovascular - arrhythmia, migraine, flushing and hypertension; Skin - rash and urticaria; Respiratory - pharyngitis and dyspnea; Special senses - pain in the eye, conjunctivitis and retinal hemorrhage; Urogenital - dysuria.

There have been rare reports of gastrointestinal irritation and gastrointestinal bleeding with use of another drug in this non-deformable sustained release formulation, although causal relationship to the drug is uncertain.

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Hematologic: Leukopenia, agranulocytosis, thrombocytopenia, hemolytic anemia, aplastic anemia, and pancytopenia have been reported with sulfonylureas.

Metabolic: Hepatic porphyria and disulfiram-like reactions have been reported with sulfonylureas. In the mouse, glipizide pretreatment did not cause an accumulation of acetaldehyde after ethanol administration. Clinical experience to date has shown that glipizide has an extremely low incidence of disulfiram-like alcohol reactions.

Endocrine Reactions: Cases of hyponatremia and the syndrome of inappropriate antidiuretic hormone (SIADH) secretion have been reported with glipizide and other sulfonylureas.

OVERDOSAGE: Overdosage can produce hypoglycemia. Mild hypoglycemic symptoms without loss of consciousness or neurologic findings should be treated aggressively with oral glucose and adjustments in drug dosage and/or meal patterns. Close monitoring should continue until the physician is assured that the patient is out of danger. Severe hypoglycemic reactions with coma, seizure, or other neurological impairment occur infrequently, but constitute medical emergencies requiring immediate hospitalization. If hypoglycemic coma is diagnosed or suspected, the patient should be given and intravenous injection of concentrated (50%) glucose solution. This should be followed by a continuous infusion of a more dilute (10%) glucose solution at a rate that will maintain the blood glucose at a level above 100 mg/dL. Patients should be closely monitored for a minimum of 24 to 48 hours since hypoglycemia may recur after apparent clinical recovery. Clearance of glipizide from plasma may be prolonged in persons with liver disease. Because of the extensive protein binding of glipizide, dialysis is unlikely to be of benefit. DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION: There is no fixed dosage regimen for the management of diabetes mellitus with GLUCO

given with breakfast.

Recommended Dosing: The recommended starting dose of GLUCOTROL XL is 5 mg per day, given with breakfast. The recommended dose for geriatric patients is also 5 mg per day.

Dosage adjustment should be based on laboratory measures of glycemic control. While fasting blood glucose levels generally reach steady state following initiation or change in GLUCOTROL XL dosage, a single fasting glucose determination may not accurately reflect the response to therapy. In most cases, hemoglobin A<sub>1c</sub> should be measured as GLUCOTROL XL therapy is initiated at the 5 mg dose and repeated approximately three months later. If the result of this test suggests that glycemic control over the preceding three months was inadequate, the GLUCOTROL XL dose may be increased to 10 mg. Subsequent dosage adjustments should be made on the basis of hemoglobin A<sub>1c</sub> levels measured at three month intervals. It no improvement is seen after three months of therapy with a higher dose, the previous dose should be resumed. Decisions which utilize fasting blood glucose to adjust GLUCOTROL XL therapy should be based on at least two or more similar, consecutive values obtained seven days or more after the previous dose adjustment.

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More detailed information available on request.

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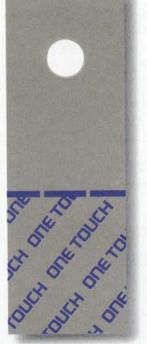
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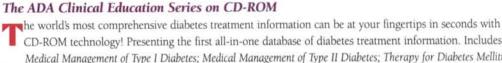


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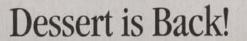
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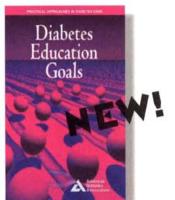


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#### GLUCOPHAGE is highly effective firstline drug therapy.<sup>2</sup>

Significantly decreases fasting plasma glucose (FPG) when used as an adjunct to diet.<sup>2</sup>

Mean difference in FPG compared to placebo

GLUCOPHAGE vs placebo

P=0.001

-59 mg/dL

Study 1: Results of a double-blind, placebo-controlled, multicenter trial over 29 weeks. 286 randomized NIDDM patients: GLUCOPHAGE, n=141; placebo, n=145. Average dosage of GLUCOPHAGE was 1,980 mg/day.<sup>2</sup>



#### DIRECT ANTIHYPERGLYCEMIC ACTION.

## GLUCOPHAGE is synergistic in combination.<sup>2</sup>

Combining GLUCOPHAGE and a sulfonylurea with diet lowers FPG significantly more than monotherapy.<sup>2</sup>

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**-77** mg/dL

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**Study 2:** Results of a double-blind, placebo-controlled, parallel-group, multicenter trial comparing GLUCOPHAGE (n=210), glyburide (n=209), and the combination (n=213) over 29 weeks. 632 randomized NIDDM patients in whom glyburide monotherapy (20 mg/day) had failed to provide adequate control. Average dosage of GLUCOPHAGE was 2,050 mg/day as monotherapy and 1,894 mg/day in combination.<sup>2</sup>

#### GLUCOPHAGE produces modest improvements in key lipids.

Significantly reduces total cholesterol, LDL cholesterol, and triglycerides (*P*<0.05), and has a neutral effect on HDL cholesterol.<sup>1,2</sup>

Improvement noted particularly when baseline lipid levels were elevated.

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Mild and transient GI side effects are most common.

Diarrhea, nausea, vomiting, bloating, or flatulence may occur, especially during initiation of GLUCOPHAGE

- approximately 30% more frequent than with placebo<sup>1</sup>
- approximately 4% of patients discontinue therapy due to GI reactions.

## Rare occurrence of lactic acidosis, a serious condition.

Approximately 0.03 cases per 1,000 patientyears reported worldwide<sup>1</sup>

- · if cases occur, up to half may be fatal
- seen primarily in patients with renal insufficiency
- Patient Package Insert lists symptoms to be discussed with patients.

The UGDP study suggested increased cardiovascular risk with oral antidiabetics.

## Appropriate patient selection is key.

Contraindicated in patients with renal disease or renal dysfunction and in patients with metabolic acidosis.

Temporarily withhold in patients receiving iodinated contrast materials for radiologic studies.

Avoid in patients with impaired hepatic function or excessive alcohol intake (acute or chronic).

Not recommended for children or pregnant women.

## Recommended starting dosage: 500 mg bid with meals.

Increase dosage by one 500 mg tablet each week.

Minimize GI reactions by slow titration and administration with food

occasionally, temporary dose reduction may be useful.

Individualize dosage based on effectiveness and tolerance, up to a maximum of 2500 mg administered on a tid schedule.



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METFORMIN HYDROCHLORIDE TABLETS) 500 mg

GLUCOPHAGE® (METFORMIN HYDROCHLORIDE TABLETS) 500 mg CONTRAINDICATIONS: GLUCOPHAGE is contraindicated in patients with: 1. Renal disease or renal dysfunction (e.g., as suggested by serum creatinine levels 2-1.5 mg/dL [males], 2-1.4 mg/dL [females] or abnormal creatinine clearance) which may also result from conditions such as cardiovascular collapse (shock), acute myocardia infarction, and septicemia (see WARNINIOS and PRECAUTIONS). 2G LUCOPHAGE should be temporarily withheld in patients undergoing radiologic studies involving parenteral administration of iodinated contrast materials, because use of such products may result in acute alteration of renal function. (See also PRECAUTIONS). 3. Known hypersensitivity to metformin hydrochloride. 4. Acute or chronic metabolic acidosis, including diabetic ketoacidosis, with or without coma. Diabetic ketoacidosis should be treated with insulin.

WARNINGS: Lactic Actions: Lactic acidosis is a rare, but serious, metabolic complication that can occur due to metformin accumulation during treatment with GLUCDPHAGE, when it occurs, it is fatal in approximately 50% of cases. Lactic acidosis may also occur in association with a number of pathophysiologic conditions, including diabetes mellitus, and whenever there is significant tissue hypoperusion and hypoxemia. Lactic acidosis is characterized by elevated blood lactate levels (.5 mmol/L), decreased blood pH, electrolyte disturbances with an increased anion gap, and an increased lactate/pyruvate ratio. When metformin is implicated as the cause or lactic acidosis, metformin plasma lavels > 5 pg/ml. are generally found. The reported incidence of lactic acidosis in patients receiving metformin hydrochloride is very low (approximately 0.03 cases/1,000 patient-years, with approximately 0.015 fatal cases/1,000 patient-years). Reported cases have occurred primarily in diabetic patients with significant renal insufficiency, including both intrinsic renal disease and renal hypoperfusion, often in the setting of multiple concomitant medicat/surgical problems and multiple concomitant medications. The risk of lactic acidosis increases with the degree of renal dysfunction and the patient's age. The risk of lactic acidosis may, therefore, be significantly idecreased by regular monitoring of renal function in patients taking GLUCOPHAGE and by use of the minimum effective dose of GLUCOPHAGE, and addition, GLUCOPHAGE should be promptly withheld in the presence of any condition associated with hypoxemia or dehydration. Because impaired hepatic function may significantly limit the ability to clear lactate, GLUCOPHAGE should be promptly withheld in the presence of any condition associated with hypoxemia or dehydration. Because impaired hepatic trutton may significantly limit the ability to relar lactae, GLUCOPHAGE should be emporarily discontinued prior to any intravacular radiocontrast study and for any surgical procedure (see a WARNINGS: Lactic Acidosis: Lactic acidosis is a rare, but serious, metabolic complication that can occur due to metformin accumulation during treatment with GLUCOPHAGE; when it occurs, it is tatal in approximately 50% o

SPECIAL WARNING ON INCREASED RISK OF CARDIOVASCULAR MORTALITY: The administration of oral antidiabetic drugs has been reported to be associated with increased cardiovascular mortality as compared to treatment with diet alone or diet plus insulin.

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PRECAUTIONS: General: Monitoring of renal function — GLUCOPHAGE is known to be substantially excreted by the kidney, and the risk of metformin accumulation and factic acidosis increases with the degree of impairment of renal function. Thus, patients with serum creatinine levels above the upper limit of normal for their age should not receive GLUCOPHAGE in patients with advanced age, GLUCOPHAGE should be carefully ittrated to establish the minimum dose for adequate glycemic effect, because aging is associated with reduced renal function. In elderly patients, renal function should be monitored regularly and, generally, GLUCOPHAGE should not be titrated to the maximum dose (see DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION). Before initiation of GLUCOPHAGE therapy and at least annually thereafter, renal function should be assessed and verified as normal. In patients in whom development of renal dysfunction is anticipated, renal function should be assessed more frequently and GLUCOPHAGE discontinued it delicence of renal impairment is present. — Use of concomitant medications that may affect renal function or result in significant hemodynamic change or may interfere with the disposition of GLUCOPHAGE, such as cationic drugs that are eliminated by renal trubular secretion (See Drug Interactions), should be used with caution. — Radiologic studies involving the use of Indinated contrast materials (for example, Intravenous urogram, Intravenous scholangingraphy, analography, and sense with contrast materials). — Parenteral contrast studies with iodinated materials can lead to acute renal failure and have been associated with lactic acidosis in patients receiving GLUCOPHAGE should be withheld for at least 48 hours prior to, and 48 hours subsequent to, the procedure and reinstituted only after renal function has been re-evaluated and found to be normal. — Hypoxic states — Cardiovascular collapse (shock) from whatever cause, acute congestive here in a failure, acute myocardial infarction and other conditions c PRECAUTIONS: General: Monitoring of renal function — GLUCOPHAGE is known to be substantially excreted by the make—Alcono is known to potentiate the effect of metrormin on factate metabolism. Patents, therefore, should be warned against excessive alcohol Intake, acute or chronic, while resolving GLUCOPHAGE. — Impaired hepatic function—Since impaired hepatic function has been associated with some cases of lactic acidosis, GLUCOPHAGE should generally be avoided in patients with clinical or laboratory evidence of hepatic disease. — Vitamin B<sub>12</sub> levels, without clinical manifestations, is observed in approximately 7% of patients receiving GLUCOPHAGE in controlled clinical trials of 29 weeks duration. Such decrease, possibly due to interference with B<sub>12</sub> absorption from the B<sub>12</sub>-intrinsic factor complex, however, very rarely associated with anemia and appears to be rapidly reversible with discontinuation of GLUCOPHAGE or vitamin B<sub>12</sub> very rarely associated with anemia and appears to be rapidly reversible with discontinuation of GLUCOPHAGE or vitamin B<sub>12</sub> evels. In these patients, crutine serum vitamin B<sub>12</sub> evels (LUCOPHAGE and any apparent abnormalities should be appropriately investigated and managed (see Laboratory Tests). Certain individuals (those with inadequate vitamin B<sub>12</sub> or calcium intake or absorption) appear to be predisposed to developing subnormal Vitamin B<sub>12</sub> revels. In these patients, routine serum vitamin B<sub>12</sub> measurements at two to three-year intervals may be useful. — Change in clinical status of previously controlled diabetic — A diabetic patient previously well controlled on GLUCOPHAGE who develops laboratory abnormalities or clinical illness (especially vague and poorly defined illness) should be evaluated promptly for evidence of ketoacidosis or lactic acidosis. Evaluation should include serum electrolytes and ketones, blood glucose and, if indicated, blood pH, lactate, pyruvate and metformin levels. If acidosis or literior for course, GLUCOPHAGE and the support of the form cours, GLUCOPHAGE of the support of the course of t ment, as noted in the WARNINGS and PRECAUTIONS sections should be explained to patients. Patients should be

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— Drug Interactions: Glyburide— In a single-dose interaction study in NIDDM subjects, co-discounting and the lack of correlation between glyburid concentrations and a 40% increase in plasma and whole blood metformin ÁLC. There was no change in elimination half-life in the single-dose study. Metformin had no effect on cimetidine pharmacokinetics. Although such interactions remain theoretical (except for cimetidine), careful patient monitoring and dose adjustment of GLUCOPHAGE and/or the interfering drug is recommended in patients who are taking cations medications that are excreted via the proximal renal tubular secretory system. — *Other — Certain drugs* tend to produce hyperglycemia and may lead to loss of glycemic control. These drugs include thiazide and other diuretics, corticosteroids, phenothiazines, thyroid products, estrogens, oral contraceptives, phenytoin, nicotinic acid, sympathomimetics, calcium channel blocking drugs, and isonally when such drugs are administered to a patient receiving GLUCOPHAGE, the patient should be closely observed to maintain adequate glycemic control. In healthy volunteers, the pharmacokinetics of metformin and propranolol and metformin and buprofen were not affected when co-administered in single-dose interaction studies. Metformin is negligibly bound to plasma proteins and is, therefore, less likely to interact with highly protein-bound drugs such as salicylates, sulfor-amides, chloramphenicol, and probenecid, as compared to the sulfonylureas, which are extensively bound to serum proteins. — Carcinogenesis, Mutagenesis, Impalment of Fertility: Long-term carcinogenicity studies have been got omykog/day and 1500 mg/kg/day and 1500 mg/kg/day and 1500 mg/kg/day and 1500 mg/kg/day. Propectively. These doses are both approximately three times the amximum recommended human daily dose on a body surface area basis. No evidence of carcinogenicity with metformin was found in reither male or female mice. Similarly, there was no tumorigenic potential observed with metformin was found in either male or female mice. Similarly, there was no tumorigenic potential observed with metformin was found in mether male providence of benign s

ADVENSE REACTIONS: Lactic Acidosis: See WARNINGS, PRECAUTIONS and OVERDOSAGE Sections. — GastroIntestinal Reactions: GastroIntestinal symptoms (diarrhea. nausea, vomiting, abdominal bloating, flatulence, and anorexia) are the most common reactions to GLUCOPHAGE and are approximately 30% more frequent in patients on GLUCOPHAGE monotherapy than in placebo-freated patients, particularly during initiation of GLUCOPHAGE therapy. These symptoms are generally transient and resolve spontaneously during continued treatment. Occasionally, temporary dose reduction may be useful. In controlled trials, GLUCOPHAGE so discontinued treatment. Occasionally, temporary dose reduction may be useful. In controlled trials, GLUCOPHAGE so discontinued therapy initiation appear to be dose-related, they may be decreased by gradual dose escalation and by having patients take GLUCOPHAGE with measis (see DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION), Because significant diarrhea and/or vormiting may cause dehydriath measis (see DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION). Because significant diarrhea and/or vormiting may cause dehydration and pre-renal azoternia, under such circumstances, GLUCOPHAGE should be temporarily discontinued. For patients who have been stabilized on GLUCOPHAGE, nonspecific gastrointestinal symptoms should not be attributed to therapy unless intercurrent illness or lactic acidosis have been excluded. — Special Senses: During initiation of GLUCOPHAGE therapy, approximately 3% of patients may complain of an unpleasant or metallic taste, which usually resolves spontaneously. — Dematologic Reactions: The incidence of rash/dermatitis in controlled clinical trials vas comparable to placebo for GLUCOPHAGE monotherapy and to sulfonylurea for GLUCOPHAGE sulfonylurea therapy. — Hematologic: (See also PRECAUTIONS). During controlled clinical trials of 29 veeks duration, approximately 9% of patients on GLUCOPHAGE monotherapy and 6% of patients on GLUCOPHAGE infonylurea therapy. — Hematologic: Gee also PRECAUTIONS). During controlled clinical trials of 29 veeks d

increased incidence of neuropathy has been observed. Therefore, serum 8<sub>12</sub> levels should be appropriately monitored or periodic parenteral 8<sub>12</sub> supplementation considered. **OVERDOSAGE:** Hypoglycemia has not been seen even with ingestion of up to 85 grams of GLUCOPHAGE, although lactic acidosis has occurred in such circumstances (see WARNINGS), Metformin is dialyzable with a clearance of up to 170 ml/rnin under good hemodynamic conditions. Therefore, hemodialysis may be useful for removal of accumulated drug from patients in whom metformin overdosage is suspected.

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#### **Position Statement**

Implications of the Diabetes Control and Complications
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Diabetes Care, vol. 16, pages 1517-1520, November 1993

#### **Consensus Statements**

Treatment of Hypertension in Diabetes Diabetes Care, vol. 16, pages 1394-1401, October 1993

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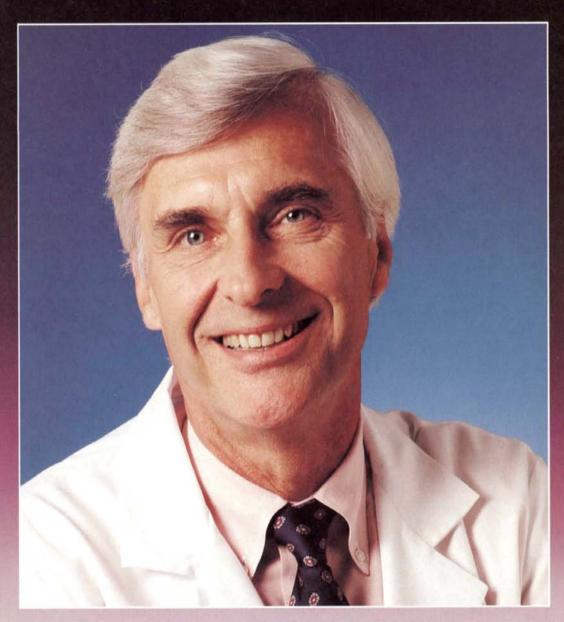
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- Current Controversy
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- Oral Abstract Presentations
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#### Morning

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- Current Education Issues
- Diabetic Neuropathy and the Foot
- · Genetics of Diabetes

President's Address **Banting Lecture** 

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General Poster Session Exhibits Open Concurrent Sessions

- Current Controversy
- Oral Abstract Presentations
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- Special Interest Groups
- State-of-the-Art Lecture

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#### **MONDAY, JUNE 12**

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- · Oral Abstract Presentations
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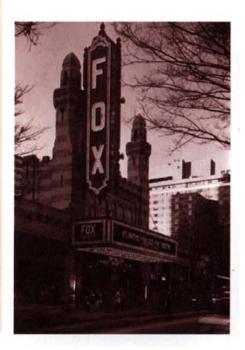
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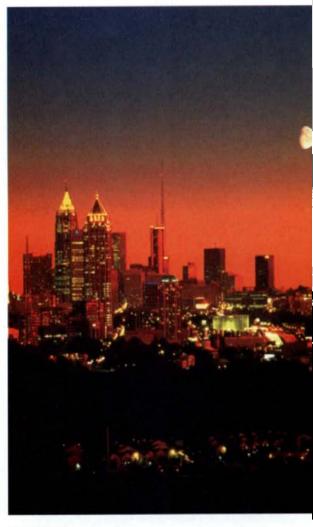
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