Minoxidil does not interfere with vasomotor reflexes and therefore does not produce orthostatic hypotension. Minoxidil may also interfere with adrenergic receptor function. Thus, maximum effect is achieved on 10 mg/day within 7 days, on 20 mg/day within 5 days, and in some patients may require as much as 40 mg/day within 3 days. However, side effects may be high with overdosage.

In any case, the patient must be informed that no immediate effects are to be expected even after several weeks of therapy. Maximum beneficial effects may not be seen until 12-16 months of therapy. The patient should also be informed that Minoxidil treatment will be required for the rest of his life. It is possible to discontinue therapy after 1 year if the patient's condition remains stable. Minoxidil is not discontinued for 24 weeks due to the risk of regrowth. The included Minoxidil tablets are intended to be used in combination with the application of Minoxidil solution to the scalp.

Minoxidil induces vasoconstriction by increasing blood flow to the skin and producing a sensation of warmth, but no effect on the skin and scalp was noted in some patients. Minoxidil is metabolized in the liver and excreted in the urine, and the plasma elimination half-life is 4.2 hours. The active metabolite, Minoxidil sulfate, is 5.5 hours. Minoxidil is at least 90% absorbed from the GI tract in experimental animals and man. Approximately 90% of the administered drug is excreted in the urine as metabolites, primarily in the form of Minoxidil sulfate, and 10% is excreted in the bile. The chemical name for minoxidil is 1-dimethylamine-1-[(1A,5A)-1,5-dimethyl-3,4-dihydro-2H-1,2,4-triazin-3-yl]-2-propanol. The molecular weight is 209.25. Minoxidil is a white or almost white crystalline powder that is insoluble in water and methanol, but soluble in ethanol, propylene glycol, or ethyl acetate. The chemical name for minoxidil is O MW 209.25.

Minoxidil produces several cardiac lesions in animals. Some are characteristic of agents that produce vasodilation, such as prazosin and guanethidine. On the other hand, some have been induced by agents that have a direct effect on the myocardium, such as isoproterenol, levarterenol, and PE. The majority of these lesions are characteristic of chronic proliferative processes, such as those seen in prazosin. The incidence for rodent neoplasms (malignant lymphomas, liver nodules/adenomas in mice) was enhanced or maintained in all systemic vascular beds. In man, the hypertension and the patient's clinical status.

Minoxidil is a vasodilator that lowers blood pressure and reduces left ventricular afterload and output. The increase in rate and the occurrence of angina generally can be prevented by the concomitant use of a beta-blocker, a calcium channel blocker, an ACE inhibitor, or a combination of ACE inhibitors and angiotensin receptor blockers.

Teratogenic Effects

Although minoxidil does not itself cause orthostatic hypotension, its administration to patients already taking antihypertensive medicine may have this effect. Although in many cases, the pericardial effusion was associated with a connective tissue response, it could also be due to a combination of factors. The incidence of these effects is limited at present. Because it causes peripheral vasodilation, minoxidil is a number of possible mechanisms, including direct myocardial depression. However, these data do not show the vascular system in experimental animals in significant amounts, and do not affect CO or systemic vascular resistance.

Minoxidil inhibits the uptake of norepinephrine into the heart, reduces its release and metabolism, and increases its availability to the heart. The increase in heart rate is due to increased myocardial sympathetic nerve activity. Minoxidil increases the availability of dopamine and norepinephrine to the heart. Minoxidil is a competitive antagonist at the alpha and beta receptors. Minoxidil is metabolized in the liver and excreted in the urine, and the average plasma half-life in man is 4.2 hours. Approximately 90% of the administered drug is excreted in the urine as metabolites, primarily in the form of Minoxidil sulfate, and 10% is excreted in the bile. The chemical name for minoxidil is O MW 209.25. Minoxidil is a white or almost white crystalline powder that is insoluble in water and methanol, but soluble in ethanol, propylene glycol, or ethyl acetate. The chemical name for minoxidil is O MW 209.25.

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If you notice any of the following warning signal occur, you must call your doctor immediately.

1. Your high blood pressure is severe; if you have an increase of 20 beats per minute or more while you are resting.

2. Rapid weight gain of more than 5 pounds — when treatment is started. You may need to reduce the amount you eat or drink to keep from gaining weight. If you gain weight, you may need to change or adjust the dosage of your drugs. You may need to reduce the amount of salt you eat. A smaller weight gain may be needed to prevent a continued increase of body fluids. It can also help you feel better. Sometimes, you may need to change your drugs or change your dosage. Take all your medicine as directed. Also, ask your doctor how often to check your weight.

3. Increase in heart rate — if your heart is beating faster than normal while you are resting. If this happens, your blood pressure may be getting worse. In either case, you might require treatment with other medicines.

4. Increase in blood pressure — if your blood pressure is getting worse.

5. Dizziness, lightheadedness or fainting — if your blood pressure is getting worse. In either case, you might require treatment with other medicines.

6. Unwanted hair growth: If any hair on your arms, legs, and scalp. If you have any breast tenderness. If you notice any swelling or puffiness. If you notice any dizziness, lightheadedness or fainting.

7. Dosing: Dizziness, lightheadedness or fainting — if you have any dizziness, lightheadedness or fainting. These can be signs of serious heart blockage, which prevents the usual compensatory maintenance of blood pressure. Intravenous fluid therapy may be required to prepare the patient for definitive surgery.

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