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Mr E van Zyl
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Dear Mr van Zyl

Section 21 Extension Authorization for NITROGLYCERIN 1MG/ML INJECTION 10ML

Attached, please find the Authorization for exemption under Section 21 of the Medicines and Related Substances Act by SAHPRA granted for:

- **Nitroglycerin 1mg/mL Injection 10mL**

The quantities for which approval was granted are only estimates based on procurement by provinces over the last 6 months. Please note that the National Department of Health (NDOH) cannot guarantee the procurement of these quantities, as NDOH has no control over orders being placed by provincial depots, and current stock holding might influence estimated quantities.

The following process will be followed to ensure the quality of the product being brought in:

1. Manufacturer will submit an assay and identification of every batch imported.
2. An additional assay of every batch will be done by a quality control laboratory.
3. A random sample will be assayed during the authorized period by a quality control laboratory.
4. Aggregate statistics to be submitted to NDOH in the first week of each month of all orders received and quantities supplied per province.
5. The NDOH needs to be advised of the quantities and date of arrival of stocks in terms of this authorization within 7 days after arrival.
6. The supplier will provide monthly reports, by the 7th of each month, using the attached format of orders received and issues done.
7. Participating Authorities (PAs) will provide a consolidated close out report of usage using the attached format on the date when an authorization lapses.

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Section 21 Extension Authorisation re Nitroglycerin 1mg INJ 10mL 04072024-2

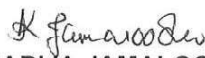
8. The full quantities imported in terms of this Section 21 authorisation must be accounted for.
9. Note that this authorization DOES NOT cover supplies to the private sector.
10. Where this authorization is obtained to provide security of supply due to supply challenges from the contracted supplier, PAs are requested to buy out against contracted suppliers and ensure that related orders are cancelled accordingly to prevent over stocking once the contracted supplier gets back into stock.

It should be noted this authorization applies only for use of the product in the public sector with estimated usage quantities for a period of one month. The authorization is expected to expire on **03 January 2025**.

Table 1: Provincial estimates vs uptake

Province	Six Months Estimate	Actual Uptake
Correctional Services	0	0
EC-MT	120	0
EC-PE	0	
FS	1260	0
GP	6000	2450
KZN	5000	0
LP	0	0
MP	110	0
NC	600	600
NW	332	0
SAMHS	0	0
WC	7000	10
Total	20 422	3 060

Yours sincerely


KHADIJA JAMALOODIEN
CHIEF DIRECTOR: SECTOR WIDE PROCUREMENT
DATE: 5/7/2024



Section 21 Response Letter

7/3/2024 7:05 PM

Khadija Jamaloodien

National Department of Health
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Buhle.Mbongo@health.gov.za

Dear Khadija Jamaloodien,

***REQUEST TO USE UNREGISTERED MEDICINE IN TERMS OF SECTION 21 OF THE
MEDICINES AND RELATED SUBSTANCES ACT, 1965 (ACT 101 OF 1965):***

Your application dated 7/3/2024 1:42 PM refers

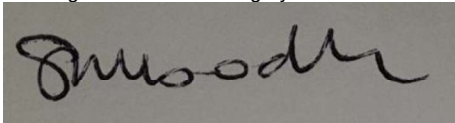
- A. STATUS: Approved**
- B. APPLICANT: Khadija Jamaloodien**
- C. IMPORTING COMPANY: Equity Pharmaceuticals (Pty) Ltd**
- D. PATIENT/(S):**
- E. UNREGISTERED MEDICINES:**
 - GENERIC NAME: Nitroglycerine**
 - TRADE NAME: Nitroswiss**
 - Injection USP 1mg/mL**
- F. QUANTITY: Nitroglycerine**
 - 1mg/mL Injection 10mL x 17 440**
 - vials**
- G. LETTER NUMBER: B-28684**

Section 21 authorization letters are valid for a period of six months from the letter date, unless otherwise specified.

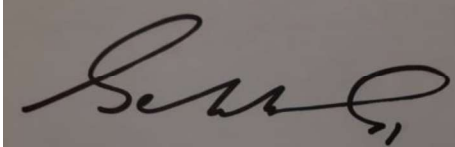
Comments:

Yours faithfully,

Dr S Munbodh
Manager: Section 21 Category A Medicines

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T Sehloho
Senior Manager: Clinical Evaluations Management

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REQUEST FOR QUOTATION FORM

- Instruction to complete this Request for Quotation (RFQ)**
PLEASE PROVIDE A QUOTE FOR THE FOLLOWING PRODUCT(S).
PLEASE QUOTE ON THIS RFQ FORM AND ATTACH YOUR QUOTE WITH THE REQUESTED DETAILS.
THE SECTIONS HIGHLIGHTED IN YELLOW MUST BE COMPLETED BY THE SUPPLIER.
- THIS DOES NOT CONSTITUTE ANY OBLIGATION TO PROCURE THE ITEM AS THIS WILL BE SUBMITTED FOR CONSIDERATION TO PROVINCIAL PROCUREMENT UNITS TO SERVE AS A BUY OUT AGAINST CURRENT NON-COMPLIANT SUPPLIERS.**

ONLY RESPONSES FROM DULY REGISTERED SUPPLIERS WILL BE EVALUATED

REFERENCE NUMBER:	NORMAL	SECTION 21	X	S21RFQ132
QUOTE ENQUIRY DATE	07/11/2023	QUOTE CLOSING DATE	16/11/2023	
FOR CRITICAL DELIVERY, DELIVERY REQUESTED ON/BEFORE (SCM Practitioner to Specify if applicable)				
REQUESTING INSTITUTION CONTACT DETAILS				
NAME OF REQUESTOR	Buhle Mbongo			
EMAIL ADDRESS	Buhle.Mbongo@health.gov.za			
PHONE No.	012 395 9539	FAX No.	N/A	
PRODUCT INFORMATION				
DESCRIPTION PER MPC	GLYCERYL TRINITRATE 1MG/ML INJECTION 10ML			
TRADE DESCRIPTION	Nitroswiss (Nitroglycerine) Injection USP 1mg/ml (1 x 10ml)			
UNIT OF MEASURE	1's	PACK or BOX (SIZE/ QUANTITY)	1's	
QUANTITY REQUIRED	20500 Vials			
TO BE COMPLETED BY THE SUPPLIER/ SERVICE PROVIDER				
SUPPLIER CONTACT DETAILS (as per CSD)				
COMPANY NAME	Equity Pharmaceuticals (Pty) Ltd			
SUPPLIER NUMBER	MAAA0007480			
SECURITY CODE				
SUPPLIER CODE (NDoH)				
CONTACT PERSON 1	NAME	Ehrard van Zyl		
	PHONE	0123451747	FAX	0123451412
	MOBILE	0720408511		
	E-MAIL	ehrdar@equitypharma.co.za		
CONTACT PERSON 2	NAME	Jaco Schoeman		
	PHONE	0123451747		

	MOBILE	0767340080	
	E-MAIL	jacos@equitypharma.co.za	
<u>QUOTE DETAILS</u>			
PRICE PER UNIT (INCL. VAT)	R 35.47	TOTAL PRICE (INCL. DELIVERY & VAT)	R 727 135.00
VOLUMES AVAILABLE – 14DAYS			
VOLUMES AVAILABLE – 28DAYS			
VOLUMES AVAILABLE – 56DAYS			
VOLUMES AVAILABLE – 112DAYS	20 500		
QUOTE VALIDITY PERIOD	180 days		
NORMAL LEAD/DELIVERY TIME	3 days		
<u>DEVIATION TO SPECIFICATION</u>			
COMMENTS:			
<u>DECLARATION BY SUPPLIER</u>			
I hereby declare that in submitting this bid, there has been no consultation, communication, agreement or arrangement with any competitor/supplier regarding the price, quality, quantity, specifications and conditions or delivery particulars of the products or services to which this bid invitation relates.			
NAME	Ehrard van Zyl		
CAPACITY	Business Unit Manager: Specialist Medicine		
SIGNATURE (OF A DULY AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE SUPPLIER)			
DATE	16/11/2023		
Please submit quotations to Section21Quotes@health.gov.za			

Please ensure that you include the following as part of the Quotation:

- Delivery Time (Weeks)
- Price (Vat Inclusive)
- Generic Name
- Trade Name
- Central Supplier Database Summary Report (CSD)
- Medicine Registration Certificate (Only for Locally Registered Products)
- *Artwork/Labelling
- *Package Insert: (Please attach)
- *Manufacturer Certificate: (Please attach)
- *Country of Origin: (Please indicate)

*Additional items required when submitting a quote for a Section 21 Item (Unregistered Medicine)

All of the above is required to expedite the process in considering the quotation.

Please **SUBMIT COMPLETED RFQ FORM AND QUOTATIONS ON AN OFFICIAL COMPANY LETTERHEAD**

NB:

- The size of each individual attachment must not be more than 2MB (you may attach multiple files in one email but collectively they should not be more than 2MB in size).
- Please ensure that you provide all prescribed documentation that is outlined on page two of this RFQ.
- Kindly be advised that a picture format of an Artwork shall not be accepted. Artwork must be in pdf or word format only.
- All **prices** must be submitted in two decimals. Failure to do so will result in NDoH determining their own final price.
- If submitting more than one quotation, please make sure that your subject line includes e.g., 1 of 2 or 1 of 3 etc.
- Any submission with missing documentation shall not be considered.
- Any submission with blurry relevant documents shall not be considered.
- The only electronic GMP Certificate considered is that from EUDRA.
- Email subject line for responses with quotes must be kept unchanged from the originally sent RFQ email.
- **Only** quotations should be sent to Section21Quotes@health.gov.za. All other queries to be directed to Buhle.Mbongo@health.gov.za
- Any quotation sent to Buhle.Mbongo@health.gov.za will not be considered.

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QUOTATION # 20231116

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FAX:

Email: Section21Quotes@health.gov.za

CONTACT PERSON / PATIENT: Buhle Mbongo

NB IMPORTED AND SUPPLIED UNDER SECTION 21 TERMS

PRODUCT CODE	DESCRIPTION	PACK SIZE	QUANTITY	PRICE EXCL	TOTAL INCL
	Nitroswiss (Nitroglycerine) Injection USP 1mg/1ml	1 x 10ml	1	R 30.85	R 35.47
			20 500	R 632 425.00	R 727 135.00
			20 500	R 632 425.00	R 727 135.00

Valid for 180 days

Employee Signature: _____

Date: 16/11/2023

Approved by: Ehrard van Zyl / Carel Bouwe

16/11/2023

National Department of Health

Directorate: Affordable Medicines

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Attention: Ms Buhle Mbongo



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Dear Ms Mbongo

Re: Request for quotation – Glyceroltrinitrate 1mg/ml – Section 21 Supply

Trust you are well. Please find below our quotation for *Glycerol Trinitrate 1mg/ml* supplied under section 21 terms.

• Quantity:	20 500 vials
• Delivery Time (Weeks):	12 weeks
• Price (Vat Inclusive):	R 35.47 incl. vat per pack of 10 vials
• Generic Name:	Nitroglycerin (Glycerol Trinitrate)
• Trade Name:	Nitroswiss Injection USP 1mg/ml
• Packaging:	1 x 10ml
• Specifications:	1mg/ml
• Shelf Life:	24 months
• Package Insert:	Attached
• Manufacturer:	Swiss Parenterals Ltd.
• Country of Origin:	India

Please note that the immediate availability of the product is conditioned on the manufacturer receiving notice of our order as soon as possible. Unfortunately, the stock cannot be reserved for our purposes for too long.

We look forward to your response.

Please contact me if you require any additional information.

Kind Regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ehrard van Zyl", written over a horizontal line.

Ehrard van Zyl

Prescription Only Medicine

NITROS/ISS

(NITROGLYCERIN INJECTION USP) 1 MG/ML, 10 ML)

(Glyceryl Trinitrate)

(For IV Infusion only)

COMPOSITION:

Each ml contains:
Diluted Nitroglycerin USP (10%)
Equivalent to Nitroglycerin.....1 mg
Ethanol BP.....30 % v/v
Propylene Glycol BP.....30 % v/v
Water for Injection BP.....q.s.

Therapeutic Classification: Vasodilators used in cardiac diseases.

PHARMACOLOGY:

Pharmacodynamic Properties:

Nitroglycerin exerts a spasmolytic action on smooth muscle, particularly in the vascular system. This action is more marked on the venous capacitance vessels than the arterial vessels; the predominant increase in venous capacitance results in marked diminution of both the left ventricular filling pressure and volume (preload). The moderate dilation of the arterial resistance vessels results in a reduction in afterload. These haemodynamic changes (reductions in preload and afterload) lower the myocardial oxygen demand. In addition, by dilating the coronary arteries, Nitroglycerin increases the coronary blood flow and thus the resistance to flow in the coronary collateral channels and allows re-distribution of blood flow to ischaemic areas of the myocardium. Administration of Nitroglycerin by intravenous infusion to patients with congestive heart failure results in a marked improvement in haemodynamics, reduction of elevated left ventricular filling pressure and systolic wall tension, and an increase in the depressed cardiac output. It reduces the imbalance that exists between myocardial oxygen demand and supply, and thus improves myocardial oxygenation and controlling ischaemia-induced ventricular arrhythmias. Nitroglycerin relaxes smooth muscles cells in other organs to some extent. The cellular molecular mechanism of action is a synthesis of nitric oxide and cyclic guanosyl monophosphate which acts as a mediator for muscle relaxation.

Pharmacokinetic properties: After intravenous administration, Nitroglycerin is widely distributed in the body with an estimated volume of distribution of approximately 200 litres. It is strongly bound to erythrocytes and vessel walls; the plasma protein binding is approx. 60%. The therapeutic plasma concentration range is 0.1 to 3 µg/ml (up to 5 µg/ml). Nitroglycerin is rapidly metabolised to dimitate and mononitrate and further metabolised by glucuronidation in the liver, showing a marked first-pass effect. Spontaneous hydrolysis occurs in plasma. The estimated plasma half-life of Nitroglycerin is 1 to 4 minutes. The rapid elimination of Nitroglycerin requires continuous infusion at a rate of 0.5 to 2.0 mg per hour (litres per hour). The less active metabolites resulting from biotransformation can be recovered from the urine within 24 hours.

INDICATIONS AND USAGE:

- The following indications exist for Nitroglycerin:
 - Prevention and treatment of angina pectoris, including secondary, to acute myocardial infarction, acute left-sided heart failure and acute myocardial infarction.
 - Refractory unstable angina pectoris and coronary insufficiency, including Prinzmetal's angina.
 - Control of hypertensive episodes and/or myocardial ischaemia during and after cardiac surgery.
 - Induction of controlled hypotension for surgery.

POSOLOGY AND METHOD OF ADMINISTRATION:

Posology: For intravenous use, Nitroglycerin should be administered by means of a micro-drip set infusion pump or similar device which permits maintenance of constant infusion rate.

Adults: The dose of Nitroglycerin should be adjusted to meet the individual needs of the patient.

The recommended dosage range is: 10 - 200 µg/min (but up to 400 µg/min may be necessary during some surgical procedures).

Paediatric population: The safety and efficacy of Nitroglycerin has not yet been established in children.

Elderly population: There is no evidence that a posology adjustment is required in the elderly.

Use in surgery:

A dose of 25 µg/min is recommended for the control of hypotension, or to produce hypotension during surgery. This may be increased by increments of 25 µg/min at 5 minute intervals until the blood pressure is stabilised. Doses between 10 - 200 µg/min are usually sufficient during surgery, although doses of up to 400 µg/min have been required in some cases.

Myocardial ischaemia

The prophylactic or therapeutic myocardial ischaemia may be started with a dose of 15 - 20 µg/min, with subsequent increments of 10 - 15 µg/min until the required effect is obtained.

Unresponsive congestive heart failure: The recommended starting dose is 20 - 25 µg/min. This may be decreased to 10 µg/min, or increased in steps of 20-25 µg/min every 15 - 30 minutes until the desired effect is obtained.

For the treatment of congestive heart failure, Nitroglycerin is recommended with increments of 10 µg/min being made at approximately 30 minute intervals according to the needs of the patient.

Method of administration

Nitroglycerin can be administered undiluted by slow intravenous infusion using a syringe pump incorporating a glass or rigid plastic syringe. Alternatively, Nitroglycerin may be administered intravenously as an admixture using a suitable vehicle such as Sodium Chloride Injection B.P. or Dextrose Injection B.P. In case of infusion, Nitroglycerin should be diluted in 50 ml of Sodium Chloride Injection B.P. or Dextrose Injection B.P. and infused by intravenous infusion or with the aid of a syringe pump to ensure a constant rate of infusion. During Nitroglycerin administration there should be close haemodynamic monitoring of the patient. The posology of Nitroglycerin i.v. should be adjusted to achieve the desired clinical response. Additional dose adjustments in patients with severe hepatic insufficiency or severe renal failure may be necessary and require additional monitoring.

CONTRAINDICATIONS: Nitroglycerin should not be used in the following cases:

- Hypersensitivity to the active substance, other nitrates or any of the excipients
- Acute circulatory failure (shock, collapse)
- Cardiac shock (unless a sufficient end-diastolic pressure is maintained by appropriate measures)
- Severe anaemia
- Severe head haemorrhage
- Head trauma
- Uncorrected hypovolaemia and hypotensive shock
- Arterial hypovolaemia and angina caused by hypertrophic obstructive cardiomyopathy
- Constrictive pericarditis
- Tricuspid regurgitation
- During nitrate therapy, phosphodiesterase inhibitors type 5 (PDE5) (e.g., sildenafil, vardenafil, tadalafil) must not be used because PDE5 inhibitors may amplify the vasodilatory effects of Nitroglycerin resulting in severe hypotension.
- Conditions associated with an increased intracranial pressure.
- Myocardial insufficiency due to obstruction, aortic or mitral stenosis, hypertrophic obstructive cardiomyopathy or constrictive pericarditis.

WARNINGS: Caution should be exercised in patients with severe liver or renal disease, hypotension and hypothyroidism.

Nitroglycerin must be used only with particular caution and under medical supervision in: patients with filling pressures e.g. left atrial myocardial infarction, impaired left ventricular function or left ventricular failure. Reducing systolic blood pressure below 90 mmHg must be avoided.

- Orthostatic dysfunction

The development of tolerance and cross tolerance to other nitro compounds has been described. Nitroglycerin must not be used in patients known to be taking phosphodiesterase inhibitor-containing products (e.g. sildenafil, vardenafil, tadalafil). Patients who receive Nitroglycerin solution therapy must be warned not to take phosphodiesterase inhibitor-containing products (e.g. sildenafil, vardenafil, tadalafil).

Hypoxaemia: Caution should be exercised in patients with arterial hypoxaemia due to severe anaemia (including G6PD deficiency induced forms), because in such patients the biotransformation of nitroglycerin is reduced. Similarly, caution is called for in patients with hypovolaemia and ventilation-perfusion imbalance due to lung disease or ischaemic heart failure. Patients with significant pulmonary arterial hypertension or severe pulmonary hypertension may experience pulmonary vasoconstriction occurs within the lung to shift perfusion from areas of alveolar hypoxia to better ventilated regions of the lung. As a potent vasodilator, nitroglycerin could reverse this protective vasoconstriction and thus result in increased perfusion of poorly ventilated areas, worsening of the ventilation-perfusion imbalance, and a further decrease in the arterial partial pressure of oxygen.

Methaemoglobinemia: Following treatment with Nitroglycerin, methaemoglobinemia has been reported. Treatment of methaemoglobinemia with methylene blue is contraindicated in patients with glucose-6-phosphate deficiency or methaemoglobin-reductase deficiency.

INTERACTION WITH OTHER MEDICINAL PRODUCTS AND OTHER FORMS OF DRUGS:

Concomitant use of Nitroglycerin with alcohol, anaesthetics, tranquilizers, anticholinergics, inhibitors of beta-blockers, diuretics, anti-hypertensives, tricyclic antidepressants, and neuroleptics, as well as the consumption of alcohol, may potentiate the hypotensive effect of the preparation. The blood pressure lowering effect of Nitroglycerin will be increased if used together with phosphodiesterase inhibitors (e.g. sildenafil, vardenafil, tadalafil) which are used for erectile dysfunction. This might lead to life threatening cardiovascular complications. Patients who are on nitrate therapy must not use phosphodiesterase inhibitors (e.g. sildenafil, vardenafil, tadalafil). The concomitant use of Nitroglycerin with other vasodilators (e.g. PPA) and Nitroglycerin may accelerate plasma clearance of PPA by increasing hepatic blood flow. Reports suggest that, when administered concomitantly, Nitroglycerin may increase the blood level of dihydroergotamine and its effect. This warrants special attention in patients with coronary artery disease, because dihydroergotamine antagonises the effect of Nitroglycerin

- Syncope
 - Dizziness postural
 - Headache
 - Asthenia
 - Nausea
 - Vomiting
 - Diarrhoea
- Methaemoglobinemia has been reported in patients receiving other organic nitrates. During Nitroglycerin biotransformation nitrite ions are released, which may induce methaemoglobinemia and cyanosis with subsequent tachypnoea, anxiety, loss of consciousness and cyanotic discoloration of the skin. It cannot be excluded that an overdose of Nitroglycerin may cause this adverse reaction.
- In very high doses the intracranial pressure may be increased. This might lead to cerebral symptoms.

Treatment of overdose

- General procedure of the drug.
- General procedures in the event of nitrate-related hypotension:
 - Patient should be kept horizontal with the head lowered and legs raised or, if necessary, compression bandaging of the patient's legs
 - Supply oxygen
 - Expand the intravascular volume
 - For specific shock treatment admit patient to intensive care unit
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Special procedure:

- Raising the blood pressure if the blood pressure is very low.
- Treatment of methaemoglobinemia:
 - Treatment with intravenous methylene blue
 - Administer oxygen (if necessary)
 - Repeat dose in 60 minutes if there is no response.
- Administer oxygen (if necessary)
- Initiate artificial ventilation

Treatment of methaemoglobinemia with methylene blue is contraindicated in patients with glucose-6-phosphate dehydrogenase (G-6-PD) deficiency or methaemoglobin reductase deficiency.

When treatment with methylene blue is contraindicated or is not effective, exchange transfusion and/or transfusion of packed red blood cells is recommended.

Resuscitation measures:

In case of signs of respiratory and circulatory arrest, initiate resuscitation measures immediately.

SHELF-LIFE:

24 months

STORAGE CONDITION:

Store below 30°C. Protect from light.

KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN.

DOSAGE FORM AND PACK STYLE AVAILABLE:

Dosage Form:

Solution for infusion

10 x 10 ml amber glass ampoules packed in a carton along with plastic tray & insert.

Manufactured by:

SWISSPARENTERIA SLTD.

Ahmedabad, Gujarat, India.

and may lead to coronary vasoconstriction. The use of heparin and Nitroglycerin solution can lead to a partial loss of action of heparin when both drugs are given simultaneously by intravenous route. Concurrent administration of Nitroglycerin with acetylsalicylic acid may potentiate the blood pressure lowering effects of Nitroglycerin. The non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs) may also potentiate the blood pressure lowering effects of Nitroglycerin. Nitroglycerin, Suproprinate, Terbutaline, Terbutaline, BPH is a cofactor for nitric oxide synthesis. Caution is recommended during concomitant use of suproprinate-containing medicine with all agents that cause vasodilation by affecting nitric oxide (NO) metabolism or action, including classical NO donors (e.g. Nitroglycerin (GTN), isosorbide dinitrate (ISDN), isosorbide 5-mononitrate (5-ISMN) and others).

FERTILITY, PREGNANCY AND LACTATION:

Reproduction toxicity studies performed in rats and rabbits using various routes of administration did not reveal any effect on mating, fertility and general reproductive parameters. There is no data available on the effect of Nitroglycerin on fertility in humans.

Precautions:

• Concomitant toxicity studies performed in rats and rabbits using various routes of administration did not reveal any effect on the embryos, fetuses or the young animals even at toxic doses for the dam.

Availability

Available evidence is inconclusive or inadequate for determining infant risk when used during breastfeeding. There is data that nitrates are excreted in breast milk and may cause hypotension in the infant. The use of Nitroglycerin during breastfeeding should be avoided unless has not been degraded. A risk to the suckling child must not be ruled out. A decision must be made whether to discontinue breast-feeding or to discontinue/breastfeed from Nitroglycerin therapy taking into account the benefit of breast feeding for the child and the benefit of therapy for the woman.

EFFECTS ON ABILITY TO DRIVE AND USE MACHINES: Nitroglycerin may affect the ability to drive a motor vehicle or operate machinery, or to operate machinery if the ability is impaired. This effect is increased in combination with alcohol.

UNDESIRABLE EFFECTS:

Undesirable effects frequencies are defined as: very common ($\geq 10,000$ or very rare ($\leq 1/10,000$), not common ($\geq 1/1,000$ - $< 1/10,000$) or very rare ($\leq 1/10,000$), not common ($\geq 1/1,000$ - $< 1/10,000$).

During administration of Nitroglycerin the following undesirable effects may be observed:

<u>Nervous system disorders:</u>	<u>Very Common:</u>	<u>Common:</u>	<u>Headache</u> <u>Dizziness (including dizziness postural),</u> <u>somnolence</u>
<u>Cardiac disorders:</u>	<u>Common:</u>	<u>Common:</u>	<u>Tachycardia</u> <u>Enhanced angina pectoris symptoms</u> <u>Palpitations</u>
	<u>Not known:</u>	<u>Not known:</u>	
<u>Vascular disorders:</u>	<u>Common:</u>	<u>Common:</u>	<u>Orthostatic Hypotension</u> <u>accompanied by bradyarrhythmia and</u> <u>syncope</u> <u>Flushing, Hypotension</u>
	<u>Not known:</u>	<u>Not known:</u>	
<u>Gastrointestinal disorders:</u>	<u>Very rare:</u>	<u>Very rare:</u>	<u>Nausea, Vomiting</u> <u>Heartburn</u>
<u>Skin and subcutaneous</u> <u>tissue disorders:</u>	<u>Uncommon:</u>	<u>Uncommon:</u>	<u>Allergic skin reactions (e.g. rash),</u> <u>Allergic contact dermatitis, Dermatitis</u> <u>exfoliative, Rash</u> <u>Generalized.</u>
<u>General disorders and</u> <u>administration site</u> <u>conditions:</u>	<u>Common:</u>	<u>Common:</u>	<u>asthenia</u> <u>Pruritus, burning, erythema and</u> <u>irritation.</u>
	<u>Uncommon:</u>	<u>Uncommon:</u>	
<u>Investigations</u>	<u>Not known:</u>	<u>Not known:</u>	<u>Heart rate increase</u>

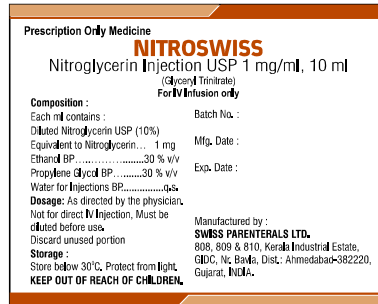
Severe hypotensive responses have been reported for organic nitrates and include nausea, vomiting, restlessness, pallor, and excessive perspiration. During treatment with Nitroglycerin, a temporary hypoxaemia may occur due to a relative redistribution of the blood flow in hypovolaemic and/or anemic areas. Particularly in patients with coronary artery disease this may lead to myocardial hypoxia.

OVERDOSE:

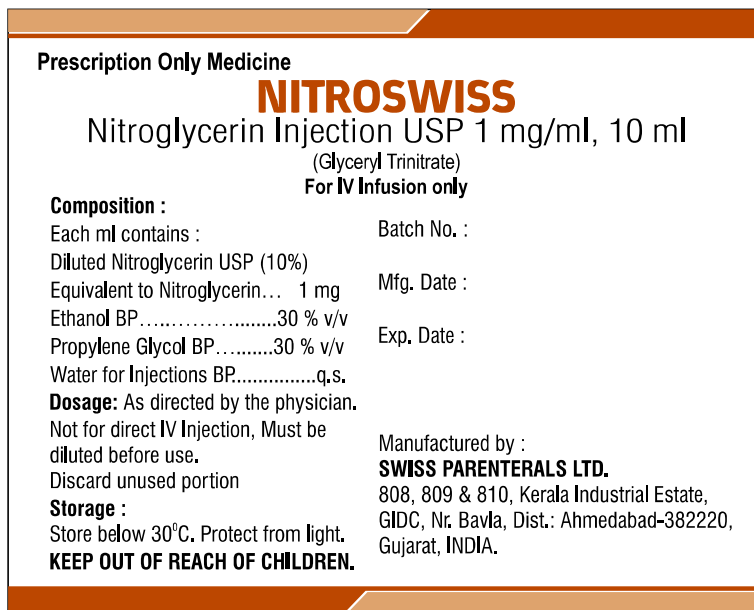
Symptoms of overdose

Symptoms could include the following:

- Headache
- Palpitation
- Sweating
- Weak pulse
- Reflex tachycardia
- Collapse



Actual size



Enlarge size

