

31. EPROSARTAN

Class: Angiotensin II Receptor Blocker

Indications: Treatment of hypertension; may be used alone or in combination with other antihypertensives

Available dosage form in the hospital: 600MG TABLETS

Dosage:

Hypertension: Oral: Dosage must be individualized. Can administer once or twice daily with total daily doses of 400-800 mg. Usual starting dose is 600 mg once daily as monotherapy in patients who are euvoletic. Limited clinical experience with doses >800 mg.

Renal Impairment:

-Moderate-to-severe impairment: No initial starting dosage adjustment is necessary; however, carefully monitor the patient. Maximum dose: 600 mg daily.

-Hemodialysis: Poorly removed ($Cl_{HD} < 1$ L/hour).

Hepatic Impairment

No starting dosage adjustment is necessary; however, carefully monitor the patient.

Common side effect:

Central nervous system: Fatigue (2%), depression (1%)

Endocrine & metabolic: Hypertriglyceridemia (1%)

Gastrointestinal: Abdominal pain (2%)

Genitourinary: Urinary tract infection (1%)

Respiratory: Upper respiratory tract infection (8%), rhinitis (4%), pharyngitis (4%), cough (4%)

Miscellaneous: Viral infection (2%), injury (2%)

Pregnancy Risk Factor: D