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hyponatraemia.

Use in patients at risk for sodium retention, fluid overload and oedema.

Sodium Chloride 0.9 % w/v should be used with particular caution, if at all, in patients with or at risk for:

- Hypermnatraemia. Rapidly correcting hypernatraemia once adaptation has occurred may lead to cerebral oedema, potentially resulting in seizures, permanent brain damage, or death.
- Hyperchloraemia
- Metabolic acidosis, which may be worsened by prolonged use of this product, especially in patients with renal impairment.
- Hypervolaemia such as congestive heart failure and pulmonary oedema may be precipitated, particularly in patients with cardiovascular disease.
- Iatrogenic hyperchloraemic metabolic acidosis (e.g., during intravenous volume resuscitation)
- Conditions that may cause sodium retention, fluid overload and oedema (central and peripheral), such as patients with
 - primary hyperaldosteronism,
 - secondary hyperaldosteronism, associated with, for example,
 - hypertension,
 - congestive heart failure,
 - liver disease (including cirrhosis),
 - renal disease (including renal artery stenosis, nephrosclerosis) or pre-eclampsia.

Medications that may increase the risk of sodium and fluid retention, such as corticosteroids

Infusion reactions

Symptoms of unknown aetiology which can appear to be hypersensitivity reactions have been reported very rarely in association with infusion of Sodium Chloride 0.9 % w/v. These have been characterized as hypotension, pyrexia, tremor, chills, urticaria, rash and pruritus. Stop the infusion immediately if signs or symptoms of these reactions develop.

Appropriate therapeutic countermeasures should be instituted as clinically indicated.

Specific patient groups

The consulting physician should be experienced in this product's use and safety in these special populations that are especially sensitive to rapid changes in serum sodium levels.

Rapid correction of hyponatraemia and hypernatraemia is potentially dangerous (risk of serious neurologic complications). See section "Hyponatraemia/hypernatraemia" above.

Paediatric population

Plasma electrolyte concentrations should be closely monitored in the paediatric population as this population may have impaired ability to regulate fluids and electrolytes. Repeated infusions of sodium chloride should therefore only be given after determination of the serum sodium level.

Geriatric population

When selecting the type of infusion solution and the volume/rate of infusion for a geriatric patient, consider that geriatric patients are generally more likely to have cardiac, renal, hepatic, and other diseases or concomitant drug therapy.

7. PREGNANT AND BREAST FEEDING WOMAN (MUST INCLUDE ABILITY PREGNANCY)

Pregnancy

There are no adequate data from the use of Sodium Chloride 0.9 % w/v in pregnant or lactating women. The physician should carefully consider the potential risks and benefits for each specific patient before administering Sodium Chloride 0.9 % w/v. Caution is advised with patients with pre-eclampsia (See Section: Special warnings and precautions for use).

When a medicinal product is added, the nature of the drug and its use during pregnancy and lactation has to be considered separately.

8. EFFECTS ON DRIVING AND MACHINE OPERATION

No studies have been conducted on the influence of Sodium Chloride 0.9 % w/v on the ability to operate an automobile or other heavy machinery.

INTERACTION, COMPATIBILITY, INCOMPATIBILITY

Drugs leading to an increased vasopressin effect

The below listed drugs increase the vasopressin effect, leading to reduced renal electrolyte free water excretion and may increase the risk of hospital acquired hyponatraemia following inappropriately balanced treatment with I.V. fluids.

- Drugs stimulating vasopressin release include: Chlorpropamide, clofibrate, carbamazepine, vincristine, selective serotonin reuptake inhibitors, 3,4-methylenedioxy-N-methamphetamine, ifosfamide, antipsychotics, narcotics
- Drugs potentiating vasopressin action include: Chlorpropamide, NSAIDs, cyclophosphamide
- Vasopressin analogues include: Desmopressin, oxytocin, terlipressin

Other medicinal products increasing the risk of hyponatraemia also include diuretics in general and anti-epileptics such as oxcarbazepine.

Interaction:

Caution is advised in patients treated with lithium. Renal sodium and lithium clearance may be increased during administration of Sodium Chloride (0.9 % w/v). Administration of Sodium Chloride (0.9 % w/v) may result in decreased lithium levels.

Corticoids/Steroids and carbenoxolone, are associated with the retention of sodium and water (with oedema and hypertension). See Section: Special warnings and precautions for use.

Compatibility:

Before adding a drug, verify it is soluble and stable in water at the pH range of the Sodium Chloride Solution for Intravenous Infusion BP (0.9 % w/v). Additives may be introduced before infusion or during infusion through the injection site.

It is the responsibility of the physician to judge the incompatibility of an additive medication with the Sodium Chloride Solution for Intravenous Infusion BP (0.9 % w/v) by checking for eventual color change and/or eventual precipitate,

insoluble complexes or crystals apparition. The Instructions for Use of the medication to be added must be consulted. When additive is used, verify isotonicity prior to parenteral administration. Thorough and careful aseptic mixing of any additive is mandatory. Solutions containing additives should be used immediately and not stored.

Adding other medication or using an incorrect administration technique might cause the appearance of fever reactions due to the possible introduction of pyrogen. In case of adverse reaction, infusion must be stopped immediately.

9. SIDE EFFECT

The following adverse reactions have been reported in post-marketing experience. The frequency of the adverse drug reactions listed in this section cannot be estimated from the available data.

System Organ Class	Adverse reaction (Preferred term)	Frequency
Nervous system disorders	Tremor	Not known
Vascular disorders	Hypotension	Not known
Skin and subcutaneous tissue disorders	Urticaria Rash Pruritus	Not known
General disorders and administration site conditions	Infusion site reactions, such as <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Infusion site erythema, • Vein irritation, Injection sitestreaking, burning sensation, • Local pain or reaction, Infusion site urticaria • Infection at the site of injection, • Venous thrombosis or phlebitis extending from the site of injection, extravasation and hypervolemia • Pyrexia • Chills 	Not known

The following adverse reactions have not been reported with this product but may occur:

- Hypermnatraemia (eg. when administered to patients with nephrogenic diabetes insipidus or high nasogastric output)
- Hyperchloraemic metabolic acidosis
- Hyponatraemia, which may be symptomatic. Hyponatraemia may occur when normal free water excretion is impaired. (eg SIADH or postoperative)

General adverse effects of sodium excess are described in section: Overdose.

Additives

When Sodium Chloride (0.9 % w/v) is used as a diluent for injectable preparations of other drugs, the nature of additives will determine the likelihood of any other undesirable effect.

If an adverse event occurs the patient should be evaluated and appropriate counter measures be started, if needed the infusion should be stopped. The remaining part of the solution should be kept for investigation if deemed necessary.

10. OVERDOSE: SYMPTOM AND TREATMENT

General adverse effects of sodium excess in the body include nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, abdominal cramps, thirst, reduced salivation and lacrimation, sweating, fever, tachycardia, hypertension, renal failure, peripheral and pulmonary oedema, respiratory arrest, headache, dizziness, restlessness, irritability, weakness, muscular twitching and rigidity, convulsions, coma, and death.

An excessive volume of Sodium Chloride 0.9 % w/v may lead to hypernatraemia (which can lead to CNS manifestations, including seizures, coma, cerebral oedema and death) and sodium overload (which can lead to central and/or peripheral oedema) and should be treated by an attending specialised physician.

Excess chloride in the body may cause a loss of bicarbonate with an acidifying effect. When Sodium Chloride 0.9 % w/v is used as a diluent for injectable preparations of other drugs, the signs and symptoms of over infusion will be related to the nature of the additives being used. In the event of accidental over infusion, treatment should be discontinued and the patient should be observed for the appropriate signs and symptoms related to the drug administered. The relevant and supportive measures should be provided as necessary.

11. PHARMACODYNAMIC PROPERTIES (INCLUDING ATC):

Pharmacotherapeutic group: "Other IV Solution Additives" ATC code: B05XA03

Sodium Chloride Solution for Intravenous Infusion BP (0.9 % w/v w/v) is an isotonic solution, with an approximate osmolarity of 308 mOsm/l.

The pharmacodynamic properties of the solution are those of the sodium and chloride ions in maintaining the fluid and electrolyte balance. Ions, such as sodium, circulate through the cell membrane, using various mechanisms of transport, among which is the sodium pump (Na-K-ATPase). Sodium plays an important role in neurotransmission and cardiac electrophysiology, and also in its renal metabolism.

12. PHARMACOKINETIC PROPERTIES

Sodium is predominantly excreted by the kidney, but there is extensive renal reabsorption.

Small amounts of sodium are lost in the feces and sweat.

13. PACKAGING SIZE

100 mL Eurohead Plastic Bottle; 500 mL in Eurohead Plastic Bottle & Non PVC Bag.