

**Effects on the skin.** Skin reactions and photodermatitis have followed application of home-made decoctions of fig leaves to the skin.<sup>1,2</sup>

- Ozdamar E, et al. An unusual cause of burn injury: fig leaf decoction used as a remedy for a dermatitis of unknown etiology. *J Burn Care Rehabil* 2003; **24**: 229–33.
- Bassioukas K, et al. Erythrodermic phytophotodermatitis after application of aqueous fig-leaf extract as an artificial suntan promoter and sunbathing. *Contact Dermatitis* 2004; **51**: 94–5.

## Preparations

### Proprietary Preparations

(details are given in Part 3)

**Multi-ingredient:** **Austria:** Carilax; Frigelletten; Herbelax; Neda Fruchtwurzel; **Braz.:** Bilfeit; **Denm.:** Figen; **Fr.:** Carres Parapsyllium; Preservation; **Ger.:** florabio Mann-Feigen-Sirup mit Senna; **florabio Manna-Feigen;** **Switz.:** Agarol Soft; Dragees aux figues avec du sene; Fruttasan; Pursana; Valverde Constipation dragees; Valverde Constipation sirop; **UK:** Califig.

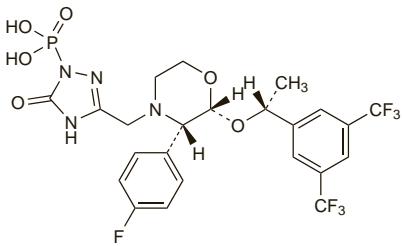
## Fosaprepitant (rINN)

Fosaprepitant: Fosaprepitantum. {3-[{(2R,3S)-2-((1R)-1-[3,5-bis(Trifluoromethyl)phenyl]ethoxy)-3-(4-fluorophenyl)morpholin-4-yl]methyl]-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl}phosphonic acid.

Фозапрепитант

$C_{23}H_{22}F_7N_4O_5P = 614.4$ .

CAS — 172673-20-0.



## Fosaprepitant Meglumine (rINNM)

Fosaprepitant Dimeglumine; Fosaprepitant meglumina; Fosaprepitant Meglumine; Meglumini Fosaprepitantum; MK-0517. 1-Deoxy-1-(methylamino)-D-glucitol {3-[{(2R,3S)-2-((1R)-1-[3,5-bis(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]ethoxy)-3-(4-fluorophenyl)-4-morpholinyl)methyl]-2,5-dihydro-5-oxo-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl}phosphonate.

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$C_{23}H_{22}F_7N_4O_5P = 1004.8$ .

CAS — 265121-04-8.

**Stability.** US licensed product information states that, once reconstituted and diluted as directed in sodium chloride 0.9%, a solution of fosaprepitant meglumine is stable for 24 hours at room temperature (at or below 25°).

## Adverse Effects and Precautions

As for Aprepitant, p.1708.

## Interactions

As for Aprepitant, p.1708.

## Pharmacokinetics

Fosaprepitant is rapidly converted to aprepitant; for the pharmacokinetics of aprepitant, see p.1708.

## Uses and Administration

Fosaprepitant is a prodrug of the antiemetic aprepitant (p.1708), which is a neurokinin-1 receptor antagonist. Fosaprepitant meglumine is used for the prevention of acute and delayed nausea and vomiting associated with highly emetogenic or moderately emetogenic cancer chemotherapy. Doses are expressed in terms of the base; 188 mg of fosaprepitant meglumine is equivalent to about 115 mg of fosaprepitant. A dose of fosaprepitant meglumine equivalent to 115 mg fosaprepitant may be given intravenously instead of oral aprepitant, with a corticosteroid and a 5-HT<sub>3</sub> antagonist (for details, see Administration, under Aprepitant, p.1709). The reconstituted dose of fosaprepitant is diluted in 110 mL of sodium chloride 0.9% to a final concentration of 1 mg/mL and infused over 15 minutes.

◊ References.

- Navari RM. Fosaprepitant (MK-0517): a neurokinin-1 receptor antagonist for the prevention of chemotherapy-induced nausea and vomiting. *Expert Opin Invest Drugs* 2007; **16**: 1977–85.

## Preparations

### Proprietary Preparations

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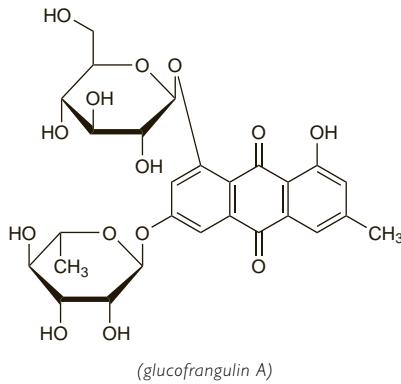
**Cz.:** Ivmend; **Port.:** Ivmend; **UK:** Ivmend; **USA:** Emend.

## Frangula Bark

Alder Buckthorn Bark; Amieiro Negro; Bourdaine; Faulbaumrinde; Frangula, cortexe de; Frangulabark; Frangulae cortex; Kora kruszyny; Krušinová kúra; Kutyabengekéreg; Paatsamankuori; Rhamni Frangulae Cortex; Šaltekšnij žievė.

Kora Крушины

CAS — 8057-57-6 (frangula extract).



NOTE. The name Buckthorn Bark has also been used; distinguish Frangula Bark from Buckthorn (p.1713) and from Sea Buckthorn (p.2384).

**Pharmacopoeias.** In *Eur.* (see p.vii).

**Ph. Eur. 6.2** (Frangula Bark). The dried, whole or fragmented bark of the stems and branches of *Rhamnus frangula* (=*Frangula alnus*). It contains not less than 7.0% of glucofrangulins, expressed as glucofrangulin A ( $C_{27}H_{30}O_{14} = 578.5$ ) and calculated with reference to the dried drug. Protect from light.

## Profile

Frangula bark is an anthraquinone stimulant laxative with actions and uses similar to those of senna (p.1769).

**Homoeopathy.** Frangula bark has been used in homoeopathic medicines under the following names: Frangula; *Rhamnus frangula*; Rham. fr.

## Preparations

**Ph. Eur.** Frangula Bark Dry Extract, Standardised.

**Proprietary Preparations** (details are given in Part 3)

**Fr.:** Depuratif des Alpes; **Switz.:** Arkocaps†; Elixir frangulae compositum.

**Multi-ingredient:** **Austral.:** Granocoll†; Normacol Plus; **Austria:** Abfuhrtee; Antin. Dragees Neunzehn†; Gallesy; Laxolin; Laksonil; Mag Kottas Krauterexpress Abfuhrtee; **Belg.:** Depuratif des Alpes; Grains de Vals; Normacol Plus†; **Canad.:** Extra Strong Formula 12†; Herbal Laxative; Herbalet; **Cz.:** Abdomilon†; Abfuhr-Heilkrautertee†; Chologal; Reductan; The Salvat; **Denm.:** Ferropelix-frangula. **Fr.:** Dragees Fua; Dragees Vegetales Rex; Mediflor Tisan; Antirhumatism No 2; Mediflor Tisan Circulation du Sang No 12; Normacol a la Bourdaigne†; Tonlax; **Ger.:** Heumann Abfuhrtee Solubilax N†; Hevertolax duo†; **Hong Kong:** HepatoPak; Normacol Plus; **Hung.:** Chologal; **India:** Kanormal; **Ir.:** Normacol Plus; **Israel:** Encymalid; Rekv; **Ital.:** Dräverex; Fai di Fuci Frangulinat†; Lactolas; Neform†; **Mex.:** Normacol; **Neth.:** Roterolobion; Maagtabletten; **NZ:** Granocol; Normacol Plus; **Pol.:** Alax; Cholavisol; Cholesol; Gastro; Laxantol; Rhelax; Senalex K; Tabletki Przeciw Niestrawnosci; Tabuletka Laxantes; **Port.:** Normacol Plus; **SAfr.:** Normacol Plus; **Singapore:** Normacol Plus; **Spain:** Normacol Forte; **Switz.:** Colosan plus; Lapidar 10; Linoforce; Linofit†; Normacol avec bordure nouvelle formule†; Padma-Lax; Padmed Laxans; Phyto-Laxia; PhytoLaxin; **UK:** Herbulax; Lustys Herbalene; Natravene; Normacol Plus.

## Gefarnate (BAN, rINN)

DA-688; Géfarnate; Gefarnato; Gefarnatum; Geranyl Farnesyacetate. A mixture of stereoisomers of 3,7-dimethylocta-2,6-dienyl 5,9,13-trimethyltetradeca-4,8,12-trienoate.

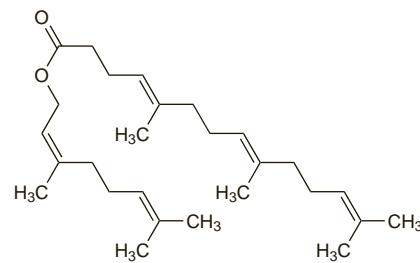
Гефарнат

$C_{27}H_{44}O_2 = 400.6$ .

CAS — 51-77-4.

ATC — A02BX07.

ATC Vet — QA02BX07.



## Profile

Gefarnate is a cytoprotective that has been used in the treatment of peptic ulcer disease and gastritis. An ophthalmic preparation is under investigation for the treatment of corneal and conjunctival epithelial disorders.

## Ginger

Gengibre; Gingembre; Gyömbér gyökértörzs; Imbiery šakniastiebia; Ingfára; Ingviäär; Jengibre; Zázvorový oddenek; Zingib; Zingiber; Zingiberis rhizoma.

Имбирь

**Pharmacopoeias.** In *Chin.*, *Eur.* (see p.vii), *Jpn.*, and *US.* *US* also includes the powdered form.

**Ph. Eur. 6.2** (Ginger). The dried, whole or cut rhizome of *Zingiber officinale*, with the cork removed, either completely or from the wide flat surfaces only. Whole or cut, it contains not less than 1.5% of essential oil, calculated with reference to the anhydrous drug. It has a characteristic aromatic odour. Protect from light.

The BP 2008 states that ginger may be known in commerce as unbleached ginger.

**USP 31** (Ginger). The scraped, partially scraped, or unscraped rhizome of *Zingiber officinale* (Zingiberaceae), known in commerce as unbleached ginger. It contains not less than 4.5% of alcohol-soluble extractive and not less than 10% of water-soluble extractive. Store at 8° to 15°. Protect from light and moisture.

## Profile

Ginger has carminative properties. It is used as a flavouring agent and has been tried for the prophylaxis of motion sickness and nausea and vomiting in pregnancy, although it does not seem to be effective for postoperative nausea and vomiting (p.1700).

Ginger oil is used in aromatherapy.

**Homoeopathy.** Ginger has been used in homoeopathic medicines under the following names: Zingiber; *Zingiber officinale*; Zing.

## Nausea and vomiting. References

1. Arfeen Z, et al. A double-blind randomized controlled trial of ginger for the prevention of postoperative nausea and vomiting. *Anesth Intensive Care* 1995; **23**: 449–52.

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3. Grant KL, Lutz RB. Ginger. *Am J Health-Syst Pharm* 2000; **57**: 945–7.

4. Vutyavanich T, et al. Ginger for nausea and vomiting in pregnancy: randomized, double-masked, placebo-controlled trial. *Obstet Gynecol* 2001; **97**: 577–82.

5. Smith C, et al. A randomized controlled trial of ginger to treat nausea and vomiting in pregnancy. *Obstet Gynecol* 2004; **103**: 639–45.

6. Boone SA, Shields KM. Treating pregnancy-related nausea and vomiting with ginger. *Ann Pharmacother* 2005; **39**: 1710–13.

7. Chaiyakunapruk N, et al. The efficacy of ginger for the prevention of postoperative nausea and vomiting: a meta-analysis. *Am J Obstet Gynecol* 2006; **194**: 95–9.

## Preparations

**BP 2008:** Aromatic Cardamom Tincture; Strong Ginger Tincture; Weak Ginger Tincture;

**USP 31:** Ginger Capsules; Ginger Tincture.

## Proprietary Preparations

(details are given in Part 3)

**Austral.:** Travacalm Natural; **Canad.:** Gravol Natural Source; **Ger.:** Zinto; **Switz.:** Zinton; **Thail.:** Zinaxin†; **UK:** Travel Sickness; Zinaxin.

**Multi-ingredient:** **Austral.:** Bioglan Ginger-Vite Forte; Bioglan Psylli-Mulin Plus Boswellia Complex; Boswellia Compound; Broncafect; Cal Alkyline; Diaco; Digestive Aid; Dyzco; Extralife Arthri-Care; Feminine Herbal Complex; Gingko Plus Herbal Plus Formula 10†; Herbal Cleanse†; Herbal Digestive Formula†; Lifesystem Herbal Plus Formula 11 Gingko†; PC Regulax†; Peritone; PMS Support†; PMT Complex†; Travelaid†; **Austria:** MariaZeller; **Braz.:** Broncol; Tussifen†; **Canad.:** Cayenne Plus†; Chase Kolik Grippe Water; **Cz.:** Klosterfrau Melisana; Naturland Grosser Swedenbitter†; **Fr.:** Arthrolib; Evacine; **Ger.:** Fovysat†; Gallexer; Gastrosecur†; Gastrysat; JuViton†; Majocarmin forte†; Presselin Dyspepticum†; Unex Amarum†; **Hong Kong:** Magesto; **India:** Carmicide; Happy'tizer; Papytazyme; Tummy Ease; Well-Being†; **Indon.:** Avogine Pectum; Pregnase; **Ital.:** Donalg; Lozione Sana Urto; Plk Gel; **Malaysia:** Dandelion Complex†; Strepsilis Cough Lozenge; Strepsils Cough Syrup; Total Man†; Zinaxin Plus†; **Philipp.:** Bo-D-Fense; Ruflex; **Pol.:** Melisana Klosterfrau; **Rus.:** Difana (Дифана); Doktor Mom (Доктор Мом); Doktor Mom Herbal Cough Lozenges (Доктор Мом Растильные Пастбики От Кашля); Maraslatin (Мараслин); Original Grosser Bittner Balsam (Оригинальный Большой Бальзам Биттера); Suprima-Broncho (Суприма-бронхоз); **S.Afr.:** Hemomontskruie; Lewensessens; Wonderkroonessens; **Singapore:** Artxeq†; **Switz.:** Padma-Lax; Padmed Laxan; Tisane pour les problèmes de prostate; **Thail.:** Carmicide†; Flatulence; Magesto; Mesto-Of; Papytazyme†; Zinaxin