

Humans and Packaging and Labelling



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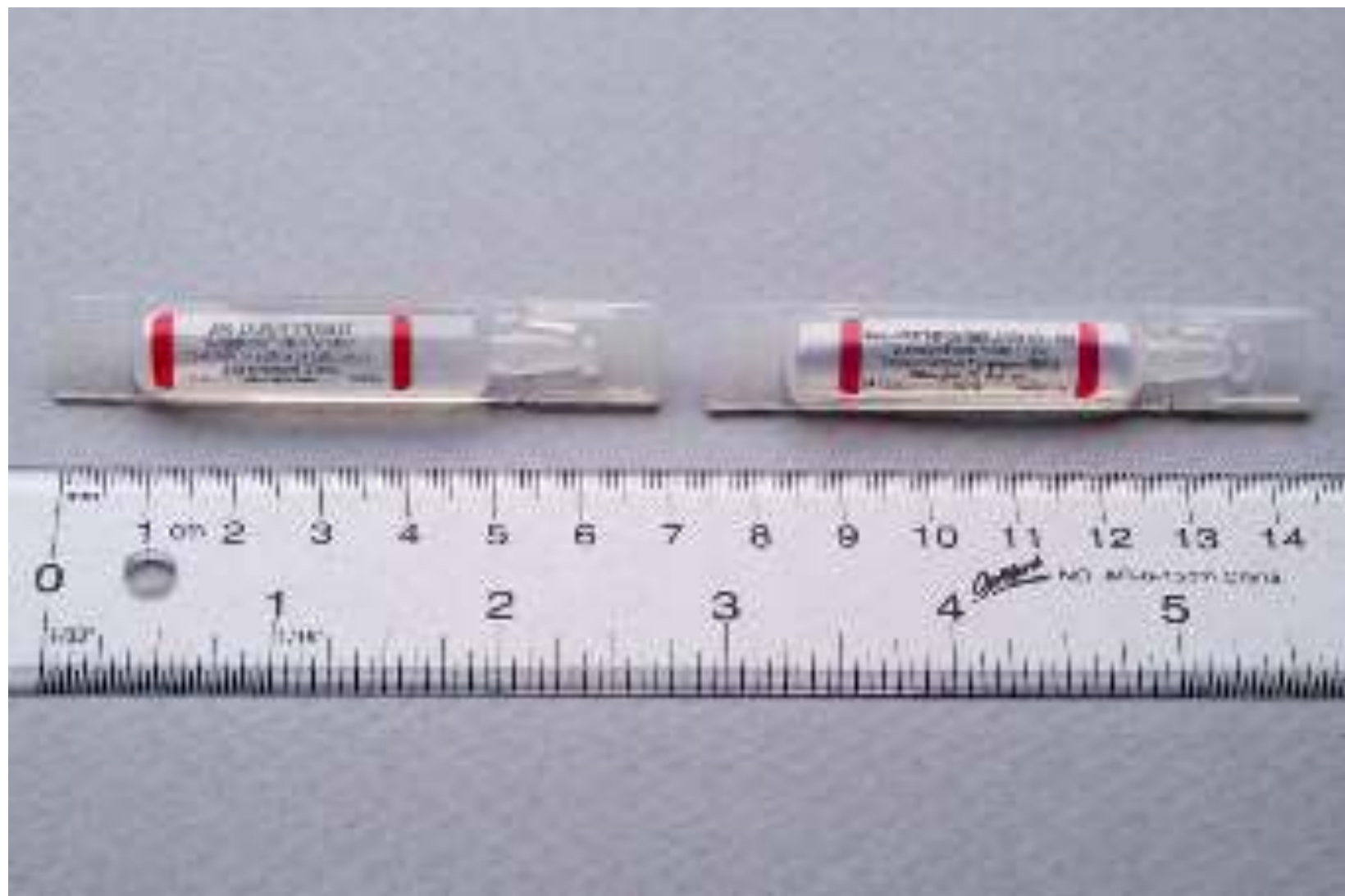
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ISMP Canada spends a lot of effort
and energy informing safe packaging
and labelling

Packaging and Labelling is the initial
interface between human and
medicine













Atropine 1 mg/5 mL (0.2% w/w)

Atropine 0.5 mg/5 mL (0.1% w/w)



10 mg
ODT
Olanzapine
Sandoz®
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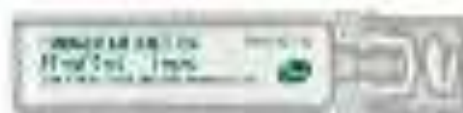
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 Product Code 5200
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Legacy expressions of strength



“10 mg/cartridge
(4 mg delivered)”







Enalaprilat
Injection

1.25 mg/mL
For Intravenous Use
Roche Products, Inc.

Pancuronium
Bromide Injection

2 mg/mL
For Intravenous Use
Roche Products, Inc.





90 Tablets NPN 15000/025

NOVO-FERROGLUC

Ferrous Gluconate
Tablets USP

35 mg

Novopharm

90 Tablets NPN 15000/025

NOVO-FERROGLUC

Ferrous Gluconate
Tablets USP

300 mg

Novopharm

STERILE

10 mL DIN 82298515

APO-DORZO-TIMOP

Dorzolamide
Hydrochloride/
Timolol Maleate
Ophthalmic Solution

20 mg/5 mg/mL

 **APOTEX INC.**

Expression of Strength







250 mcg/mL
(0.025%)

250 µg/mL

Sterile DIN 02230451
1 x 20 mg vial

MITOMYCIN
for Injection

USP
20 mg

mitomycin per vial
ANTINEOPLASTIC
Intravenous or
Intravesical
use only



Novartis
novopharm

- ✓ Unrelated information is not separated with marks that could be misinterpreted

Vitekta
elvitegravir 85·150 mg
tablets





MERCK FROSST

STERILE / STERILE

OPHTHALMICS

Cosopt®

collyre de chlorhydrate de
dorzolamide et de maleate de timolol
dorzolamide hydrochloride and
timolol maleate ophthalmic solution

DISTRIBUITSUR OPHTHALMIQUE DEUMETER PLUJ®
DISTRIBUITSUR OPHTHALMIQUE DEUMETER PLUJ®

10 mL

2%/0.5%



MERCK

STERILE

INJECTION

Cancidas®

caspofungin acetate for injection

For intravenous use after reconstitution
and dilution only

single-dose vial
of caspofungin

70 mg











Figure 1: The front panel of the outer package for Angeliq.



Figure 2: The main panel of the inner package for Angeliq, along with the blister pack of tablets.





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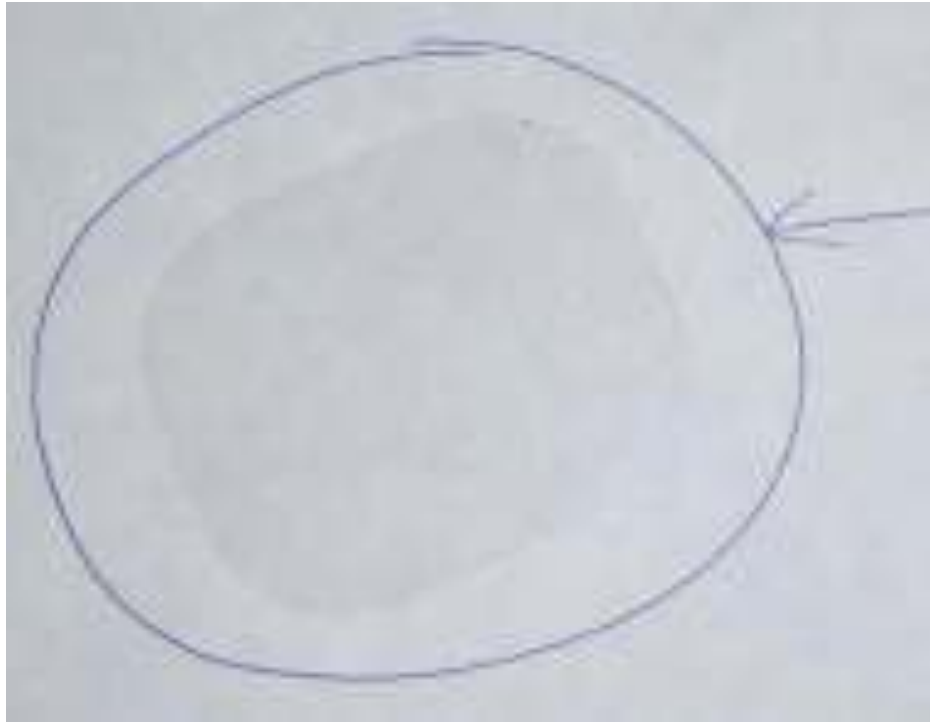
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 P01: 208 32





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Thank You!

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