HYPOGLYCEMIC AGENTS



DEFINITION

The drug which lower the blood sugar level and are used in the treatment of diabetes mellitus known as hypoglycemic agents.

CLASSIFICATION

I. Hormones:

e.g. Insulin and its derivatives.

II. Oral Hypoglycemic Agents:

- 1. Sulphonyl Urea Derivatives: e.g Chlorpropamide, tolbutamide, Glibenclamide.
 - 2. Biguanide Derivatives: e.g. Phenformine, Metformin

III. Plant Sources: e.g. Gaur Gum

INSULIN

Insulin is a protein hormone secreted by beta cells of islets of Langerhans of pancreas.

Sources :Commercial sources of insulin is pancreas of ox & Pig

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Properties:

- i. It is white powder
- ii. It is slightly soluble in water.
- iii. It dissolves in dil. Solution of mineral acids
- iv. It is also solution in alkali hydroxide in which it is hydrolyzed.
- v. It is inactivated by proteolytic enzymes.
- vi. It is sensitive to heat and light.

INSULIN

Storage:

It is sensitive to heat and light. Hence it should be stored in temp between $2-8\,^\circ$ C and should not allowed to freez. Insulin injection is stored in multiple dose container .

Uses:

- i. It is used to control Diabets Mellitus.
- ii. It is used to regulate carbohydrate metabolism.
- iii. It is used to treat hyperkalamia.
- It is used to treat sever ketosis.

INSULIN

Official Preparations:

- 1. Insulin injection
- 2. Neutral Insulin Injection BP
- 3. Globin Zinc insulin injection BP, IP
- 4. Isophane insulin injection BP, IP
- 5. Biphasic insulin injection BP
- 6. Protamine zinc insulin injection BP, IP
- 7. Insulin zinc suspension (Crystallin) BP, IP
- 8. Insulin Zinc suspension BP, IP

Brand Name: Longact, Lentard, Insugen, Mixtard. Lupisulin.

CHLORPROPAMIDE

It is Sulphonyl Urea derivatives.

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C.N. 1(P-chlorobenzene-sulphonyl) 3-propylurea

CHLORPROPAMIDE

Properties:

- 1. It occurs as white crystalline powder.
- 2. It should be odorless & tasteless.
- 3. It is practically insoluble in water but soluble in alcohol.
- 4. It is soluble in solution of alkali hydroxides.

Storage:

It should be stored in well closed air tight light resistant container, keep in cool place.

Uses:

It is used to treat non insulin dependent diabets Mellitus.

Preparation: Chlorpropamide tab IP,BP

Brand Name: Diabense, Diabetol, diabetin

PHENFORMINE

It is biguanide derivatives

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C.N. 1 (2-phenyl ethyl) biguanidine

PHENFORMINE

Properties:

- i. It occurs as a white crystalline powder
- ii. It is bitter in taste
- iii. It is soluble in water and alcohol.

Storage: Should be stored in well closed air tight container

Uses:

- 1. It is used to treat Diabets Mellitus
- 2. It is used to decrease blood sugar level in cortison induced hyperglycemia.
- 3. It decreases blood cholesterol in maturity onset diabets.

Preparation:

Phenformin tablet IP

Brand Name: DBI, Chloroformin.