







# DIAZOXIDE 10MG/ML ORAL SUSPENSION AS A COST-EFFECTIVE ALTERNATIVE TO THE COMMERCIAL PREPARATION

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# Objectives

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- Diazoxide is the first line therapy in infants with hypoglycaemia due to hyperinsulinism. A formulation to facilitate the dosage in newborns has been developed due to the increasing demand at our Hospital.
- The elaboration of a magistral formulation as a cost-effective alternative to the diazoxide oral suspension not commercialised in Spain.

## Matherial and methods

Study of Stability

Research on Pubmed «Diazoxide AND solubility» «Tiazides AND solubility» Study of Solubility

Pharmacotechnics Group of the Spanish Society of Hospital Pharmacy agreement

Study of efficacy

Retrospective observational study

- √ age, gender
- ✓ Duration of the therapy
- ✓ Blood sugar level 24h→ "sensitive" if > 60mg/dL

## Results

## Manufacturing method:

- Capsules of diazoxide 25mg as active substance
- Carboximetilcelulose (CMC) as excipient
  - 1) Four capsules of 25mg were opened and spreaded over a mortar
- 2) 10ml of CMC was measured on a test tube
- 3) CMC was added slowly over the powder while stirring the mixture to obtain a homogenized milky cream
- 4) Suspension was stored in an amber bottle up to seven days at ambient temperature

#### Results in terms of efficacy:

7 neonates (4 males)
aged 5.8±2.3 days
Treated for 28 days

6 «sensitive» with blood sugar levels of 105±30mg/dL

1 showed no improvement

#### Global expense comparison:

- 1 pack (100 capsules of 25mg) = 21€
- 1 bottle of 30mL oral suspension commercial = 473€
- 1 bottle of 10mL oral suspension formulation = 0,84€

## Conclusion

The preparation constitutes a suitable alternative by using a simple and cheap technique since its introduction. In the future, full studies of stability must be designed to prolong it is period of validity and monitor its security.