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# Donnatal Tablets (atropine sulfate/hyoscyamine sulfate/phenobarbital/scopolamine hydrobromide) - Drug Summary

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#### THERAPEUTIC CLASS

Anticholinergic/barbiturate

#### DEA CLASS

RX

#### ADULT DOSAGE & INDICATIONS

##### Irritable Bowel Syndrome

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**Extentabs:**

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## DOSING CONSIDERATIONS

### Hepatic Impairment

Use small initial doses

## ADMINISTRATION

Oral route

### Elixir

Use pediatric dosing device or oral syringe to measure the dose

## HOW SUPPLIED

(Atropine/Hyoscyamine/Phenobarbital/Scopolamine) Elixir: (0.0194mg/0.1037mg/16.2mg/0.0065mg)/5mL [10mL, 4 fl. oz., 1 pint]; Tab: 0.0194mg/0.1037mg/16.2mg/0.0065mg; Tab, Extended-Release: (Extentabs) 0.0582mg/0.3111mg/48.6mg/0.0195mg

## CONTRAINDICATIONS

Glaucoma; obstructive uropathy (eg, bladder-neck obstruction due to prostatic hypertrophy); obstructive GI disease (achalasia, pyloroduodenal stenosis, etc.); paralytic ileus, intestinal atony in elderly/debilitated; unstable cardiovascular status in acute hemorrhage; severe ulcerative colitis (especially if complicated by toxic megacolon); myasthenia gravis; hiatal hernia associated w/ reflux esophagitis; acute intermittent porphyria; and patients in whom phenobarbital produces restlessness and/or excitement.

## WARNINGS/PRECAUTIONS

Heat prostration can occur in high environmental temperatures. Diarrhea may be an early symptom of incomplete intestinal obstruction, especially w/ ileostomy or colostomy; treatment would be inappropriate and possibly harmful. May impair physical/mental abilities. Phenobarbital may be habit forming; avoid in patients prone to addiction or w/ history of physical and/or psychological drug dependence. Caution w/ autonomic neuropathy, renal disease, hyperthyroidism, coronary heart disease, CHF, arrhythmias, tachycardia, and HTN. May delay gastric emptying. Curare-like action may occur w/ overdosage. Abrupt withdrawal may produce delirium or convulsions in patients habituated to barbiturates. Elderly patients may react w/ symptoms of excitement, agitation, drowsiness, and other untoward manifestations to even small doses of the drug. (Elixir/Tab) May cause fetal harm when administered to pregnant women. Do not rely on the use of the drug in the presence of biliary tract disease complications. (Elixir [Mint]) Contains tartrazine, which may cause allergic-type reactions (including bronchial asthma) in certain susceptible persons; frequently seen in patients who also have aspirin sensitivity.

## ADVERSE REACTIONS

Xerostomia, urinary hesitancy/retention, blurred vision, tachycardia, mydriasis, cycloplegia, increased ocular tension, loss of taste, headache, nervousness, drowsiness, weakness, dizziness, insomnia.

## DRUG INTERACTIONS

Phenobarbital may decrease the effect of anticoagulants; may need larger doses of anticoagulant for optimal effect.

## PREGNANCY AND LACTATION

Category D (Elixir/Tab), C (Extentabs); caution in nursing.

## MECHANISM OF ACTION

Anticholinergic/barbiturate; provides peripheral anticholinergic/antispasmodic action and mild sedation.

## ASSESSMENT

Assess for previous hypersensitivity to the drug or any of its components, diarrhea, ileostomy, colostomy, history of physical and/or psychological drug dependence, biliary tract disease, hepatic dysfunction, pregnancy/nursing status, possible drug interactions, and any other conditions where treatment is contraindicated or cautioned.

## **MONITORING**

Monitor for signs/symptoms of heat prostration, drowsiness, blurred vision, constipation, diarrhea, urinary hesitancy/retention, hypersensitivity reactions, and other adverse reactions.

## **PATIENT COUNSELING**

Counsel about possible side effects and advise to notify physician if any occur. Inform that the drug may be habit forming. If drowsiness or blurring of vision occurs, warn patients not to engage in activities requiring mental alertness (eg, operating a motor vehicle or other machinery) and not to perform hazardous work. Inform that treatment may decrease sweating, resulting in heat prostration, fever, or heat strokes. (Elixir/Tab) Advise to notify physician if pregnant or intending to become pregnant during therapy; apprise of the potential hazard to the fetus.

## **STORAGE**

20-25°C (68-77°F). Protect from light and moisture. (Elixir) Avoid freezing.

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