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Composition: Each vial contains:

 Methylprednisolone Sodium Succinate: 500 mg (equivalent to 500 mg Methylprednisolone).

Description:

Methylprednisolone Injection is a sterile, potent corticosteroid with anti-inflammatory, immunosuppressive, and anti-allergic properties. It is used in conditions requiring rapid and intensive corticosteroid therapy.

Indications:

Methylprednisolone 500 mg Injection is indicated for:

- Severe Allergic Reactions: Anaphylaxis and severe drug reactions.
- Autoimmune Disorders: Systemic lupus erythematosus, dermatomyositis, and vasculitis.
- Rheumatic Diseases: Severe rheumatoid arthritis and ankylosing spondylitis.
- Neurological Disorders: Multiple sclerosis exacerbations and myasthenia gravis.
- Respiratory Conditions: Acute asthma attacks and severe COPD exacerbations.
- Shock States: Septic shock or adrenal insufficiency crisis.

- Severe Skin Conditions: Stevens-Johnson syndrome and toxic epidermal necrolysis.
- Prevention of Organ Rejection: In transplant patients.

Mechanism of Action:

Methylprednisolone suppresses inflammation by inhibiting the release of pro-inflammatory mediators like cytokines, prostaglandins, and histamine. It also modulates immune system activity, reducing autoimmunity and hypersensitivity responses.

Dosage and Administration:

- Adults:
 - Typical dose: 500 mg administered intravenously.
 - Repeat every 6-8 hours as required, depending on the condition.
- Pediatric Dose:
 - Dosage is based on body weight (adjusted by the healthcare provider).
- Administration:
 - Reconstitute the vial with sterile water or compatible diluent.
 - Administer as a slow intravenous injection or infusion over 30-60 minutes.

Contraindications:

- Hypersensitivity: Allergy to Methylprednisolone or its components.
- Systemic Fungal Infections.

• Live Vaccines: Avoid during immunosuppressive therapy.

Precautions:

- Infections: Increased susceptibility to infections; monitor closely.
- Adrenal Suppression: Taper off gradually after prolonged use to avoid adrenal crisis.
- Diabetes: May cause hyperglycemia; monitor blood glucose.
- Osteoporosis: Use cautiously in patients at risk for bone loss.
- Gastrointestinal Issues: Use with care in patients with peptic ulcers.
- Psychiatric Effects: May cause mood swings, anxiety, or psychosis.
- Pregnancy and Lactation:
 - Use only if benefits outweigh risks during pregnancy.
 - Caution during breastfeeding as small amounts may pass into breast milk.

Possible Side Effects: Common side effects:

- Nausea, vomiting, or flushing.
- Headache or dizziness.
- Elevated blood sugar levels.

Serious side effects:

- Infections: Risk of serious infections due to immunosuppression.
- Adrenal Insufficiency: With sudden discontinuation.
- Electrolyte Imbalance: Hypokalemia or fluid retention.
- Gastrointestinal Bleeding: Especially with long-term use.

- NSAIDs: Increased risk of gastrointestinal ulcers and bleeding.
- Antidiabetic Medications: May reduce their effectiveness, requiring dose adjustments.
- Live Vaccines: Should be avoided during treatment.
- Warfarin: Monitor for altered anticoagulant effects.
- Cyclosporine: May increase the risk of seizures.

Storage:

- Store below 25°C.
- Protect from light and freezing.
- Use immediately after reconstitution and discard any unused portion.

Special Instructions:

- Administer under strict medical supervision in a hospital or clinical setting.
- Emergency equipment should be readily available to manage hypersensitivity reactions.
- Monitor for signs of infection, adrenal suppression, and electrolyte imbalance during therapy.

Note: Methylprednisolone Injection is a critical care medication used in life-threatening or severe conditions. Regular monitoring and adherence to prescribed dosages are essential to ensure safety and efficacy.

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