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# Demerol

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### Calculating Molar Mass of Meperidine Hydrochloride

$$15 \text{ moles of C } \left( \frac{12.01 \text{ g of C}}{1 \text{ mole of C}} \right) = 180.15 \text{ g of C}$$

$$22 \text{ moles of H } \left( \frac{1.01 \text{ g of H}}{1 \text{ mole of H}} \right) = 22.22 \text{ g of H}$$

$$1 \text{ mole of N } \left( \frac{14.01 \text{ g of N}}{1 \text{ mole of N}} \right) = 14.01 \text{ g of N}$$

$$2 \text{ moles of O } \left( \frac{16.00 \text{ g of O}}{1 \text{ mole of O}} \right) = 32.00 \text{ g of O}$$

$$1 \text{ mole of Cl } \left( \frac{35.45 \text{ g of Cl}}{1 \text{ mole of Cl}} \right) = 35.45 \text{ g of Cl}$$

$$180.15 \text{ g of C}$$

$$+ 22.22 \text{ g of H}$$

$$+ 14.01 \text{ g of N}$$

$$+ 32.00 \text{ g of O}$$

$$+ 35.45 \text{ g of Cl}$$

$$= 283.83 \text{ g/mole of } C_{15}H_{21}NO_2 \cdot HCl$$

### Literature Molar Mass:

$$283.80 \text{ g/mole of } C_{15}H_{21}NO_2 \cdot HCl$$

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### Water Solubility:

3220 mg/L (at 30 degree C)

### Water Solubility after converting to g/100mL:

$$\left( \frac{3220 \text{ mg}}{1 \text{ L}} \right) \left( \frac{1 \text{ g}}{1000 \text{ mg}} \right) \left( \frac{1 \text{ L}}{1000 \text{ mL}} \right) \left( \frac{100}{100} \right) = \frac{322 \text{ g}}{100 \text{ mL}}$$

### Is Meperidine Hydrochloride Soluble or Insoluble:

Insoluble

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# Demerol

# Meperidine

# Hydrochloride

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### Trade Names: Demerol, Pethadol, Pethidine Hydrochloride

**Classification:** Narcotic (Opiate Agonist) Analgesic

**Uses:** Labeled: Meperidine Hydrochloride is used for the relief of moderate to severe acute pain, also used for preoperative medication, and used in support of anesthesia and used for relief of obstetric analgesia.

### Dosage and Route Given:

Adult, PO/Subcutaneous/IM/IV 50-150mg q3-4h prn

### How Supplied:

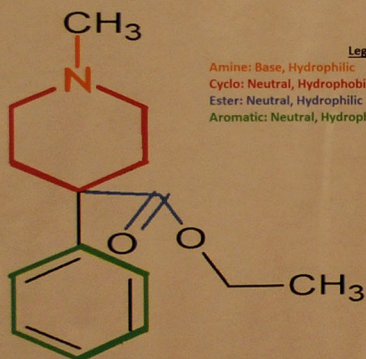
Demerol/Meperidine Hydrochloride Intramuscular Injection Sol: 0.5mL, 1mL, 1.5mL, 10 mg, 25mg, 50mg, 75mg, 100mg  
Demerol/Meperidine Hydrochloride Intravenous Injection Sol: 0.5mL, 1mL, 1.5mL, 10mg, 25mg, 50mg, 75mg, 100mg  
Demerol/Meperidine Hydrochloride Oral Sol: 5mL, 50mg  
Demerol/Meperidine Hydrochloride Subcutaneous Injection Sol: 0.5mL, 1mL, 1.5mL, 10mg, 25mg, 50mg, 75mg, 100mg  
Demerol/Meperidine Hydrochloride/Meperitab Oral Tab: 50mg, 100mg

### Tablets for my chosen dose:

$$\frac{50 \text{ mg}}{1 \text{ tablet}} = \frac{1 \text{ tablet}}{1 \text{ dose}}$$

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### Condensed Structural Formula

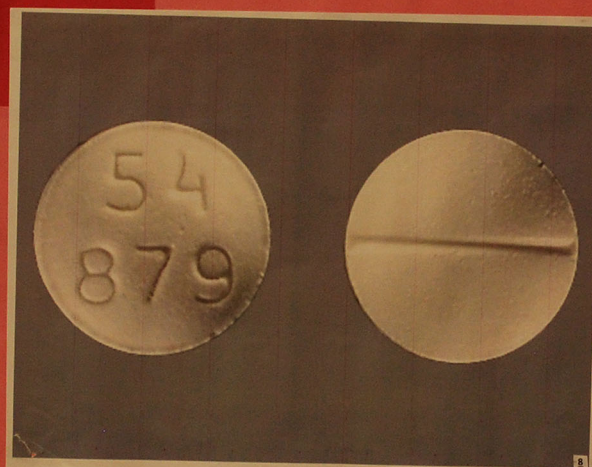


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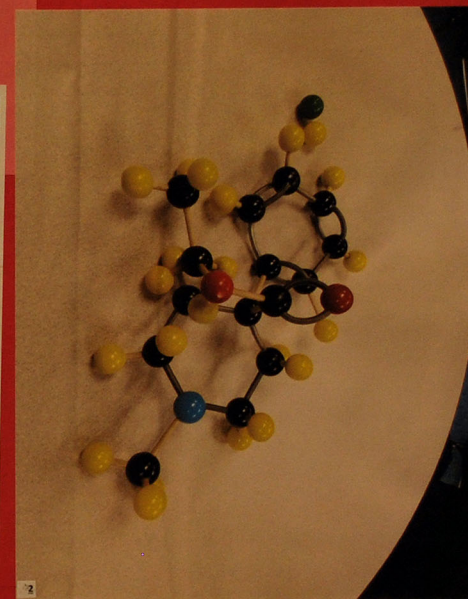
Amine: Base, Hydrophilic  
Cyclo: Neutral, Hydrophobic  
Ester: Neutral, Hydrophilic  
Aromatic: Neutral, Hydrophobic

■ HCl

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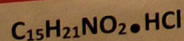


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### Chemical Formula:



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**Chemical Names:** 1-Methyl-4-phenyl-4-piperidinecarboxylic acid ethyl ester with hydrochloride; hydrochloride; 1-methyl-4-phenylisopropionic acid ethyl ester with hydrochloride; N-methyl-4-phenyl-4-carboxypiperidine with hydrochloride; ethyl 1-methyl-4-phenylpiperidine-4-carboxylate with hydrochloride; isonipicaine with hydrochloride; pethidine with hydrochloride.

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### How the body takes in the medicine:

Meperidine Hydrochloride can be taken orally, subcutaneous/intramuscular or through intravenous.

Fifty to sixty percent of Meperidine Hydrochloride is absorbed by the Gastrointestinal tract which is the path food takes from the mouth, through the esophagus, stomach and small and large intestine that absorbs nutrients.

### Once the drug is absorbed:

Analgesia (absence of sense of pain) is mediated through changes in the perception of pain at the spinal cord and in the Central Nervous System. Meperidine Hydrochloride controls moderate to severe pain but does not alter one's pain threshold.

### How the body breaks down the drug:

Meperidine Hydrochloride is broken down by the liver.

### How the drug is eliminated from the body:

Meperidine Hydrochloride is eliminated through the urine.

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