

- b. Quantitative particulars**
Quantitative particulars are not required as the product is official.
- c. Product-specific cautions (or additional labelling requirements)**
No product-specific cautions are applicable, although the patient could be advised to take the product in water (to dilute the taste) or in warm water (to dilute the taste but also to improve the expectorant action by hastening the release of the ammonia, which is the main expectorant in the mixture).
- d. Directions to patient – interpretation of Latin abbreviations where necessary**
'Take TWO 5 ml spoonfuls THREE times a day when required.'
- e. Recommended *British National Formulary* cautions when suitable**
Not applicable.
- f. Discard date**
The *British Pharmacopoeia* (2004, p 2181) states that this product should be recently prepared, therefore it will attract a 4-week discard date.
- g. Sample label (you can assume that the name and address of the pharmacy and the words 'Keep out of the reach of children' are pre-printed on the label):**

Ammonium Chloride Mixture BP	50 ml
Take TWO 5 ml spoonfuls THREE times a day when required.	
Do not use after (4 weeks)	
Mr James Watson	Date of dispensing

7. Advice to patient

The patient would be advised to take two 5 ml spoonfuls three times a day when required. In addition, the discard date and the fact that the solution may be taken diluted with an equal volume of warm water would be highlighted.

Example 2.3

The preparation of Sodium Chloride Compound Mouthwash BP

You receive a prescription in your pharmacy with the following details:

Patient:	Mrs Avril Asker, 21 Station Road, Astonbury
Age:	36
Prescription:	Sodium Chloride Compound Mouthwash BP
Directions:	Use 20 ml qqh prn
Mitte:	150 ml