Expectorants and emetics

Expectorants

"Remove sputum from respiratory tract."

E.g.: Potassium chloride

Types

A.Depend upon mechanism of action:

1.Sedative:

Ammonium chloride

2. Stimulant

: Lemon

- B. Depend upon mechanism of action:
- 1. Volatile oils: Eucalyptus oil
- 2. lodides: Potassium iodide
- 3. Ammonium salts:

Ammonium chloride

4. Misc.: Vasicine

E m etics

"Induce vomiting"

E.g.: Antimony potassiumtartrate

Types

Depending upon mechanism of action:

A.By stimulating CTZ:
Morphine

B. By acting peripherally: Ammonium chloride

A m m o n i u m c h l o r i d e NH₄CI

Syn:

Ammonium muriate

MOP:

From ammonia and hydrochloric acid.

NH₃ + HCI NH₄CI

Physical Properties:

- 1. White crystalline powder
- 2. Odourless
- 3. Ammonical taste
- 4. Very soluble in water
- 5. Soluble in glycerin
- 6. Soluble in alcohol
- 7. Insoluble in acetone and ether
- 8. Hygroscopic in nature

Uses

- 1. Mild expectorants
- 2. To maintain acid base balance in body.
- 3.In cough preparation.

Storage

"It should be stored in well closed container at a cool place."