

Heparin Cheat Sheet

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Labs

PTT

CBC

(<150)

Therapeutic range = 45-70 sec.

Monitor for thrombocytopenia

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Heparin

Action

Blocks Prothrombin to Thrombin

Indications

Prevents Pulmonary embolism formation of clots & thrombus

Drug of Choice DIC

For:

Contraindications

Beef/Pork allergies or cultural/religious objections

Thrombocytopenia

Bleeding disorder

Cautions

Uncontrolled HTN: Heparin makes vessels more friable which could result in a fatal bleed

Recent surgery

GI ulcers

Adverse Effects

Heparin induced thrombocytopenia with thrombosis (HITT)

Thrombocytopenia

Drug Interactions

Anticoagulants

Penicillin

Antihistamines

Digoxin

Nitroglycerin

Nicotine

All of these drugs will exacerbate the effects of Heparin

Nursing Interventions

Monitor Labs: Assess for therapeutic
CBC & PTT drug effect & development of AE

Antidote: Administer in the event of

Protamine Heparin overdose

Sulfate

Administration SubQ or IV

Route:

Half-life 90 min.

Injection site IV site will ooze and have may form more evident bruising

Hematoma

Drug of Choice for Bridge to other anticoagulants such as Warfarin



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