Prototype

Methimazole

Action

Decreases production or release of thyroid hormones

Inhibits conversion of T4 to T3

Indication: Hyperthyroidism

Grave's Disease

Nodular goiter

Thyroiditis

Function thyroid carcinoma

Pituitary adenoma

Thyroid Storm

Contraindications

Pregnancy category D (PTU DOC)

Lactation

Drug Interactions

Anticoagulants (monitor INR & bleeding)

BB levels increase/decrease & increase/decrease methimazole levels

Digoxin levels increase/decrease & increase/decrease methimazole levels

Adverse Effects

Hypothyroidism

Bone marrow suppression (monitor CBC for pancytopenia)

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