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ANTI ARRYTHMIC AGENT, CLASS III

- Inhibits adrenergic stimulation and affect Na⁺, K⁺, Ca²⁺ channels
- Prolongs the action potential and refractory period in myocardial tissue
- Thus, decrease AV conduction and sinus node function.



Diluent: D5%

Continuous IV infusion

Concentration (1-6mg/ml)

Common dilution

Loading dose: 300mg in 250-500mL D5%

150MG I00ml D5%

Maintenance dose: 900mg in 500mL D5%

If fluid restriction

i) Peripheral: up to 2mg/mL

(min vol in Loading Dose:

100mL,

min vol in Maintenance Dose: 450mL)

ii) Central: up to 6mg/mL



A) ATRIAL ARRHYTHMIA/SUPRAVENTRICULAR ARRHYTHMIAS

i) TO RESTORE AND MAINTAIN SINUS RHYTHM IN CRITICALLY ILL PATIENTS WITH HEMODYNAMICALLY UNSTABLE ATRIAL FIBRILLATION

ii) TO CONTROL THE VENTRICULAR RESPONSE IN CRITICALLY ILL PATIENTS WITH **ATRIAL FIBRILLATION AND RAPID VENTRICULAR RESPONSE**

iii) FOR PROPHYLAXIS AGAINST ATRIAL FIBRILLATION FOLLOWING CARDIAC SURGERY

Initially, 150mg IV over 10mins



Then, 1mg/min (360 mg) IV for 6 hours



Followed with 0.5mg/min (540 mg) IV for 18 hours or change to oral

Note: TO CONTROL THE VENTRICULAR RESPONSE IN CRITICALLY ILL PATIENTS WITH ATRIAL FIBRILLATION AND RAPID VENTRICULAR RESPONSE: The standard dose in all of these settings is 150 mg over 10 minutes with a maintenance dose of 0.5 to 1 mg/minute. Repeated 150 mg boluses can be given over 10 to 30 minutes. Hypotension is more likely at daily doses above 2000 mg. As a result, no more than six to eight additional boluses may be possible in any 24-hour period.

B) VENTRICULAR ARRHYTHMIA (VT)		
Life threatening (treatment and prophylax- is)	Breakthrough VF or VT	VF or Pulseless VT
Stable VT		
Initially, 150mg IV over 10mins Then, 1mg/min (360 mg) IV for 6hours Followed with 0.5mg/min (540 mg) for 18hours (total infusion duration: 24hrs or until complete transition to oral) -Maintenance: 0.5mg/min after the first	Additional 150mg IV over 10mins	IV Push/Intraosseous (IO) Push: Initial 300mg If no conversion, Administer supplemental dose of 150mg. After conversion, Follow with 1mg/min IV for 6hours, then 0.5mg/min for
24hrsMaximum total daily dose: 2.2g/24hrs		18hours.



STORAGE & STABILITY

Diluted solution: Used Immediately

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