

# NAPLEX SECRET

## Calculations:

ung-ointment                      WA-while awake  
 PR-per rectum                      BM-bowel movement  
 1 pint= 473 ml                      1 quart = 946 ml  
 1 gallon = 3785 ml                      1 pound = 454 g  
 Percentage Strength: g/100ml (w/v); ml/100ml (v/v) ;  
 g/100g (w/w)  
 Ratio Strength: (1:X) ex. 0.04% = 0.04g/100ml =  
 1g/2500ml = 1:2500    \*\*Put in grams  
 PPM: (parts of drug/1,000,000) parts of whole ex.  
 0.00022g/100ml = 2.2g/1,000,000 = 2.2PPM  
 BMI: (kg/m<sup>2</sup>) \*2.54cm/inch <18.5 = Underweight, 18.5-  
 24.9 = normal 25-29.9=overweight >30 =obese  
 IBW: Male: 50+2.3 (inches above 5 feet) Female: 45.5 +  
 2.3(inches > 5 feet)  
 Adjusted BW: IBW + 0.4(TBW-IBW)  
 CrCl: { (140-age) x weight }/SCr x72    Multiply by 0.85 for  
 females  
 Dilutions: (Changing a strength or quantity) Q1 \* C1 = Q2 \*  
 C2  
 Alligation: (Combining two strengths to get a strength in  
 between) \*\*Watch for **ADD TO**  
**\*\*Corrected Calcium: Ca<sup>2+</sup>(from lab) + {(4-albumin)  
 x(0.8)}**  
**\*\* Phenytoin correction= PHT measured/{(0.2x Alb) +  
 0.1}**

- Choose calcium gluconate over chloride bc it dissociates less and less chance of binding to phosphate and precipitating

mEq : Electrical charges provided per mole

mOsmol/L = {(g/L)/(g/mole)} x ( # of particles it splits up  
 into) x 1000

Isotonicity (osmolarity in body fluids, when we want to make  
 something isotonic to blood): "E Value"

- First find out how much NaCl would make it isotonic.  
 0.9g/100ml = X g/X mL
- E= sodium chloride equivalents of a drug = (58.5 x i) /  
 (MW of drug x 1.8) \*i = dissociation factor of drug
- example: if calculated E value is 0.23 and you have  
 0.4g of drug, this represents 0.4g x .23 = 0.092 g NaCl
- Then subtract them from each other.

Fahrenheit = (C x 1.8) +32

pH = pka + log (salt/acid)    For Acids

pH = 14 - pK<sub>b</sub> + log (base/salt)    For Bases

eAG: (28.7 x A1C) - 46.7

Calcium Carbonate: 40% elemental calcium    Calcium  
 Citrate: 21% elemental calcium

Absolute Neutrophil Count: WBC x ((%segs+%bands)/100)

Anion Gap: Na<sup>+</sup>-Cl-HCO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> \*>12 is high (gapped)

Minimum Weighable Quantity (MWQ) : SR/error

**Absolute Bioavailability: F = (AUC<sub>extravascular</sub> x Dose<sub>intravenous</sub>)/  
 (AUC<sub>intravenous</sub> x Dose<sub>extravascular</sub>)**

IV Bolus VD= Dose/Co or **Co = Dose/VD**

Oral VD= (Dose x F) /(ke xAUC)    Cl=(Dose x F)/AUC

**Cl=ke x VD**

ke= {ln(Cmax/Cmin)}/ Time interval

## Enteral/Parental Nutrition:

### -Linezolid (Zyvox): (Bacteriostatic)

- binds to 23S ribosomal RNA of the 50S subunit
- **CI with MAOI inhibitors or within 2 weeks use of them**
- **IV to PO 1:1 (600mg Q12)**
- **MRSA, PRSP, VRE**
- associated with bone marrow suppression and peripheral neuropathy

### -Daptomycin (Cubicin): (Bactericidal)

- depolarizes cell membrane
- **MRSA, PRSP, VRE**
- Side Effects: **\*\*Myopathy and increased CK**
- **\*\*Do not use for pneumonia b/c its inactivated by surfactant**
- **can cause false elevations in INR with no increased bleeding**
- **compatible with NS but not D5W**

### -Tigacycline (Tygacil):

- related to tetracyclines
- **BBW: increased risk of DEATH**
- **Lipophilic and distributes to tissues so not for bloodstream infections**

### -Clindamycin (Cleocin):

- binds 50s subunit
- **Covers gram + (not enterococcus) and most anaerobes**
- **BBW for severe or fatal colitis**
- **"D-test" for macrolide-induced resistance**
- **no renal adjustments**

### -Metronidazole (Flagyl) and Tinidazole (Tindamax):

- DNA damage which blocks translation and protein synthesis
- **Anaerobes and protozoal infections**
- **BBW for possible carcinogenicity**

- **\*\*CI: Pregnancy(1<sup>st</sup> trimester), \*Alcohol and no alcohol for 3 days after discontinuing**
- Can increase INR if used with warfarin
- **IV to PO 1:1**
- Can cause metallic taste in mouth
- **Do not refrigerate b/c crystals can form**

**-Rifaximin(Xifaxan) : for traveler's diarrhea and hepatic encephalopathy**

**-Fosfomycin: single dose for UTI, ok for pregnancy**

**-Nitrofurantoin (Macrobid or Macrochantin): for uncomplicated UTI, \*\*CI with CrCl<60ml/min, rarely can cause pulmonary toxicity.( Darkens urine rust colored.)**

### Refrigeration of antibiotics:

**Refrigerate:** Penicillins (amoxicillin just for taste), Cephalosporins (except Cefdinir(Omnicef)), Erythromycin

**Do Not Refrigerate:** Cefdinir, Azithromycin, Clarithromycin, Clindamycin, Ciprofloxacin, Levofloxacin, Doxycycline, Fluconazole, Voriconazole, linezolid (Zyvox), SMT/TMP

### Specific Disease Treatments with Antibiotics:

#### **Surgery Prophylaxis:**

- Usually initiated within 60 minutes before the procedure unless FQ or Vanco is used then its 120 min. before.
- Second doses may need to be given for longer procedures or if there is significant blood loss.
- **1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> Gen. Cephalosporins usually given unless PCN allergy then Vanco is used.**

days post travel. Well tolerated but **CI in**

**pregnancy**. Once Daily.

- **Primaquine**: Once daily. **Started 1-2 days before** travel and for 7 days post travel. **CI in pregnancy**. CDC requires screening for G6PD deficiency before use.

- **Meningococcal vaccine**: required for Saudi Arabia. Also prevalent in the meningitis belt of Africa. **Menactra** (2 doses for 9-23 months, 1 for 2-55 yrs), **Menveo** (2-55 yrs.), **Menomune** (56 and older). **7-10 days for protective antibodies**.
- **Yellow Fever Virus Vaccine**: for certain parts in sub-saharan Africa and South America. Watch for allergies to eggs and gelatin. It is a live vaccine so don't use in immunocompromised. ASA and NSAIDs should not be used b/c of increased risk of bleeding.
- **Typhoid Fever**: bacteria spread through consumption of food/water contaminated with feces or sexual contact. **Use safe food and water precautions**. Vaccine is **Vivitof Berna**, 4 capsules, 1 every other day taken with cool liquid or IM shot  $\geq 2$  weeks before exposure.
- **Altitude Sickness**: acetazolamide (**Diamox Sequels**). **CI in sulfa allergy**.
- International certificate of vaccination (Yellow Card)

## HIV:

- **CD4+ counts** are the major laboratory indicator of immune function and need for prophylaxis against opportunistic infections.
- **HIV-1 RNA (Viral Load)**: most important indicator of response to anti-retroviral therapy (ART). Used to help assess disease progression and possible

drug resistance. **Measured at baseline and then on a regular basis thereafter**.

- Spread through **blood, semen, and vaginal secretions**. Also spread through vertical transmission during pregnancy, at birth, or breastfeeding.
- **\*\*ART is recommended in ALL HIV-infected patients**
- **\*\*Need adherence of 95% or greater to be effective long-term**
- **PI's and stavudine** associated with **lipodystrophy/lipoatrophy and fat redistribution/lipohypertrophy**
- **Diarrhea** is a common side effect of ART. **Crofelemer(Fulyzaq)** is approved for non-infectious diarrhea in adult patients on ART.

**NRTI's: (Abacavir, lamivudine, emtricitabine, tenofovir, didanosine, stavudine, zidovudine)**

- **\*\*All have BBW for lactic acidosis and hepatomegaly with steatosis(fatty liver)**
- Suspend treatment if there is lactic acidosis or hepatomegaly with steatosis.
- **abacavir**: BBW for severe hypersensitivity reaction. **Must test for HLA-B\*5701**.  
Ziagen (abacavir)  
Epzicom (abacavir + lamivudine) - Once Daily
- **emtricitabine**: BBW for Hep B exacerbation once discontinued or HBV resistance. **Can cause hyperpigmentation of soles and feet**.  
Emtriva (emtricitabine)  
**\*\*Truvada (emtricitabine + tenofovir): Once Daily**  
**\*\*Atripla (emtricitabine + tenofovir + efavirenz):** Once Daily. Take on empty stomach.

**Blurred Vision, altered color perception, greenish-yellow halos, confusion, delirium.**

- **Hypokalemia, hypomagnesemia, and hypercalcemia increase the risk of toxicity**

### **Acute Decompensated Heart Failure:**

- Congestion: Diuretics and/or IV vasodilators
- Hypoperfusion or Cardiogenic Shock: **Milrinone** or Dobutamine
- Vasodilators used in ADHF:
  - Nitroglycerin: Venous at low dose, Arterial at higher doses, effectiveness limited to 2-3 days.
  - Nitroprusside (Nitropress): equal arterial and venous, protect from light by covering with foil or opaque material, blue solution indicates degradation to cyanide.
  - nesiritide (Natrecor): B-type natriuretic peptide, arterial and venous dilation.

### **Anticoagulation:**

- Some risk factors for VTE: Surgery, Major Trauma, Immobility, Cancer, previous VTE, Pregnancy, estrogen or SERM use etc..
- **Heparin and LMWH can cause HIT:** Body forms antibodies to heparin which leads to further platelet activation and pro-thrombotic state. **Diagnosed by a profound drop in platelets >50% from baseline. \*\*Argatroban is the DOC if this happens. DTI's do not cross react with heparin induced antibodies.**

### **Unfractionated Heparin:**

- binds to antithrombin and inactivates Factor Xa and IIa.
- **VTE prophylaxis: 5,000 units SC Q8-12hrs**
- Also used for VTE treatment and ACS/STEMI treatment

- **VTE: 80 units/kg IV bolus** then 18 units/kg/hr infusion
- **ACS/STEMI: 60 units/kg IV bolus then 12 units/kg/hr infusion**
  - Do not mix-up the heparin injection with the HepFlush heparin line flushes
  - monitor **aPTT** and want to be 1.5-2.5 x control
  - **Antidote: Protamine; 1mg will reverse 100 units; max 50mg.**
  - unpredictable anticoagulant response
  - IV and SC
  - **osteoporosis with long term use**

### • **LMWH:**

- binds to antithrombin and inactivates Factor Xa mostly and some Factor IIa.
- **BBW for hematomas and subsequent paralysis with spinal punctures.** (Bleeds then pushes on the spine)
- **enoxaparin (Lovenox)**
  - **\*\*VTE prophylaxis: 30mg SC BID** CrCl < 30ml/min, 30mg SC daily.
  - **\*\*Tx of VTE and UA/NSTEMI: 1mg/kg SC BID** CrCl < 30ml/min, 1mg/kg SC daily
  - **\*\*Tx for STEMI (<75): 30mg IV bolus plus 1mg/kg SC followed by 1mg/kg Q12 (Max 100mg for 1<sup>st</sup> two doses)**
  - **STEMI (>75) No bolus, just 0.75mg/kg SC Q12 (Max 75mg for 1<sup>st</sup> two doses)**
- dalteparin (Fragmin)
- **Anti-Xa levels can be monitored but not done routinely unless Pregnant or Mechanical heart valve, severe renal impairment, extreme weights.**
- **no antidote but protamine can help some**

### **Factor Xa inhibitors:**

- **Fondaparinux (Arixtra):**

- **lorazepam (Ativan)**
- **midazolam**
- **propofol (Diprivan):** propofol infusion related syndrome (PRIS), rare but can be fatal.
- **Hypertriglycerides**
- **dexmedetomidine (Precedex): \*\*Sedation without Respiratory Depression**
- **morphine:** has active metabolite M6G, hypotension from histamine release
- **fentanyl:** less hypotension than morphine b/c no histamine release
- **hydromorphone (Dilaudid)**
- **haloperidol (Haldol):** QT prolongation, EPS

#### Acid-Base Homeostasis:

- pH < 7.35 is acidosis, pH > 7.45 is alkalosis
- Metabolic or Respiratory
- **Anion gap:  $\text{Na}^+ - (\text{Cl}^- + \text{HCO}_3^-)$  > 12 is gapped**

#### Electrolyte Disorders:

- **Sodium: Don't correct more than 12mEq/L in 24 hours** to prevent central pontine myelinosis which is a devastating neurological complication.
- **Potassium: IV potassium should not be faster than 10-20 mEq/hr.**

#### Stress Ulcer Prophylaxis:

- Critical illness leads to reduced blood flow to gut which results in breakdown of gastric mucosal defense mechanisms
- Patients without risk factors should not receive prophylaxis (Mechanical Vent, Coagulopathy, Sepsis, Brain Injury, Burns, Renal Failure, High Dose Steroids)
- **H2 blockers**

#### VTE prevention:

- **High Risk:** Surgery, trauma, immobility, cancer, previous VTE, pregnancy, estrogen etc..

- **UFH: 5,000 units SC BID-TID**
- **LMWH: Enoxaparin 30mg SC BID or 40mg SC Daily. If CrCl < 30, use 30mg SQ Daily**

#### Anesthesia:

- must be closely monitored
- Inhaled anesthetics can cause malignant hyperthermia and should be given dantrolene.
- Neuromuscular blockers: cisatracurium (Nimbex) and Vecuronium . Do not provide sedation or analgesia.

#### IV compatibility resources:

- Trissel's
- King Guide

#### Poison Management:

- **Insecticide Poisoning/Nerve Agents:**  
Organophosphates that inhibit acetylcholinesterase, leads to increase Ach. MUDDLES: miosis (pinpoint pupils), urination, diarrhea, diaphoresis, lacrimation, excitation, salivation

#### Antidotes for select toxicities:

- **APAP: N-acetylcysteine**
- **Anticholinesterase: Atropine**
- **Benzos: Flumazenil (Romazicon)**
- **Beta Blockers: Glucagon**
- **Digoxin: Digoxin Immune Fab (Digifab)**
- **Heparin: Protamine**
- **Iron: deferoxamine (Desferal)**
- **Isoniazid: (Pyridoxine Vit B6)**
- **Opioids: Naloxone**
- **Warfarin: phytonadione (Mephyton) = Vitamin K**

#### Depression:

- **Bulk-Producers:** psyllium (Metamucil), calcium polycarbophil (FiberCon), methylcellulose (Citrucel). **DOC in pregnancy and 1<sup>st</sup> line for constipation.**
- **Emollients, Lubricants (Stool Softener): docusate sodium (Colace), mineral oil**
- **Stimulant: Senna (Ex-Lax), bisacodyl (Dulcolax).** Caution that brand names can refer to multiple products.
- **Osmotics:** PEG, Lactulose, Glycerin, Sorbitol, Salines (various ions)
- **Rx Agents:** **Lubiprostone (Amitiza) - Nausea (30%),**  
**alvimopan (Entereg) - blocks opioid receptors in the gut**

- **For STAT treatments and Bowel Preps: bisacodyl rectal, magnesium salts (MOM), lactulose, sorbitol, sodium phosphate (Osmoprep), polyethylene glycol (Golytely, Miralax, Carbowax).**

### Diarrhea:

- Most cases are viral, some bacterial (E.Coli), some drugs (antibiotics, Mg), some diseases.
- **Antidiarrheals: Bismuth Subsalicylate (Pepto-Bismol), loperamide (Immodium), diphenoxylate + atropine (Lomotil)**
- **Treatment should include fluids and electrolytes, especially in children.**
- **Not used with C. Difficile infections, body needs to clear the toxin, not retain it.**
- **Rule out lactose intolerance by avoiding dairy.**

### Inflammatory Bowel Disease:

- Ulcerative Colitis and Crohn's Disease: Idiopathic Bowel Inflammation
- **Treatment:**
  - Anti-diarrheals: Immodium, Lomotil
  - Anti-spasmodics: **dicyclomine(Bentyl)**

- Short courses of oral or IV steroids: Prednisone or **budesonide (Entocort)**. Budesonide preferred for ileum or colon problems, it has extensive first pass so lower systemic exposure.
- **Maintenance therapy** to reduce inflammation and flare-ups.

**mesalamine (Asacol, Pentasa, Canasa, Rowasa)**

**methotrexate**

**TNF Inhibitors: adalimumab (Humira), infliximab (Remicade), golimumab (Simponi), natalizumab (Tysabri):** for refractory diseases.

### Erectile Dysfunction:

- **Reduced blood flow to the penis.** Often caused by diabetes, HTN, heart disease, nerve damage, drugs (antidepressants, blood pressure meds, antipsychotics, finasteride, dutasteride, cimetidine, opioids, chemo, nicotine), hormone imbalances (testosterone), stress etc..

### PDE5 inhibitors:

- **\*\*\*CI with nitrates**
- **Do not confuse with PAH/BPH drugs/doses:**  
sildenafil (Revatio): 20mg TID  
tadalafil (Adcirca): 40mg QD for PAH or tadalafil (Cialis): 5mg QD for BPH
- **sildenafil (Viagra): 1 hour before sex, start at 50mg unless  $\geq 65$  use 25mg**
- **varafenafil (Levitra, Staxyn ODT): 1 hour before sex. ,start at 10mg unless  $\geq 65$  use 5mg**