

Vasopressin (Pitressin)

class:	vasopressor, antidiuretic
action:	Potent alpha agonist in cardiac arrest studies. Regulates water conservation and causes vasoconstriction as well as increases the smooth muscular activity of the GI tract.
indications:	cardiac arrest due to V fib or pulseless V tach, neurogenic diabetes insipidous, GI hemorrhage
contraindications:	allergies, vascular disease, angina pectoris.
precaution:	risk of hyponatremia, Pts with asthma, epilepsy, heart failure
se:	nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, confusion, hives, wheezing, pain at IV sites.
dosage:	bolus dose in cardiac arrest is one administration of 40 units IV push
route:	IV

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