

MEDICATION REFERENCE LIST

HYDRALAZINE HYDROCHLORIDE (APRESOLINE)

1. Classification: antihypertensive, vasodilator
2. Physiologic Effect: direct arteriolar vasodilation resulting in a drop in systolic and diastolic blood pressure
3. Major Indications:
 - 3.1. acute hypertensive emergency
 - 3.2. first line agent used to treat pregnancy induced hypertension and preeclampsia
4. Primary Contraindications:
 - 4.1. MI
 - 4.2. tachycardia
 - 4.3. hypotension
5. Side Effects:
 - 5.1. hypotension
 - 5.2. headache
 - 5.3. bronchospasm
 - 5.4. dizziness
 - 5.5. angina
6. Additional information:
 - 6.1. monitor cardiac rhythm and blood pressure closely
 - 6.2. exercise caution when administered with beta blockers