

MEDICATION REFERENCE LIST

MIDAZOLAM HCL (VERSED)

1. **Classification:** Short acting benzodiazepine-sedative
2. **Physiologic Effects:** Depresses subcortical levels of CNS (e.g., limbic and reticular formation), possibly by increasing activity of GABA. Shorter-acting benzodiazepine sedative-hypnotic useful in patients requiring acute and/or short-term sedation. Also useful for its amnestic effects.
3. **Major Indications:**
 - 3.1. status epilepticus
 - 3.2. premedication before transcutaneous pacing
 - 3.3. anxiety and agitation
 - 3.4. facilitated intubation
4. **Absolute Contraindications:**
 - 4.1. hypersensitivity
5. **Relative Contraindications:**
 - 5.1. shock
 - 5.2. hypotension, especially in the head injured patient
 - 5.3. coma
 - 5.4. alcohol intoxication, use of barbiturates, narcotics or CNS depressants
 - 5.5. pregnancy
 - 5.6. chronic renal failure
 - 5.7. congestive heart failure
 - 5.8. chronic obstructive pulmonary disease
 - 5.9. hepatic function impairment
6. **Side Effects:**
 - 6.1. respiratory depression
 - 6.2. respiratory arrest
 - 6.3. hypotension
 - 6.4. cardiac arrhythmias
 - 6.5. headache
 - 6.6. blurred vision
 - 6.7. nausea and vomiting
7. **Additional Information**
 - 7.1. Dilute for IV administration: Draw 10 mg (2 ml) in 10 ml syringe and dilute with 8 ml of saline for 1.0 mg/ml
 - 7.2. Do not dilute for intramuscular administration: Draw 10 mg (2 ml) in 5-10 ml syringe give deep intramuscular injection
 - 7.3. Do not dilute for intranasal administration: draw in 1 ml syringe and administer via the M.A.D.