

MIDAZOLAM (Versed®)

PHARMACOLOGY & ACTIONS:

- Sedative/hypnotic benzodiazepine
- Generalized CNS depression
- Therapeutic effects include short term sedation and postoperative amnesia

INDICATIONS:

- Sedation & amnesia during RSI
- Sedation for cardioversion or cardiac pacing

CONTRAINDICATIONS:

- Hypersensitivity or cross sensitivity with other benzodiazepines may exist
- Acute narrow angle glaucoma
- Shock
- Comatose patients or those with pre-existing CNS depression
- Severe uncontrolled pain
- Pregnancy or lactation

ADMINISTRATION:

- Adult dose: Sedation & amnesia in RSI
- .1 mg/kg IVP

SIDE EFFECTS & SPECIAL NOTES:

- Respiratory depression
- HA, excess sedation, drowsiness, agitation
- Blurred vision
- Cardiac arrhythmias
- N/V, rashes
- Increased risk of hypotension with antihypertensives, acute ingestion of alcohol or nitrates.

CLASS: A

PROTOCOL(S) USED IN: RSI, Cardioversion, Pacing