The Unicorn Foundation

carcinoid crisis patient card

MEDICAL ALERT 🌼 CARCINOID CRISIS

I have a neuroendocrine cancer and I am at risk of a carcinoid crisis (table blood pressure, arrhythmia, bronchoospasm, flushing) if I have invasive medical or surgical procedures.

The management of carcinoid crisis is intravenous octreotide. This can be given as an infusion or by intermittent bolus to control symptoms.

I will need perioperative prophylactic treatment of intravenous octreotide for acute surgery. I may need additional intravenous octreotide if I still have symptoms. A lower dose can be given subcutaneously for more minor procedures.

ALL DOSAGES GIVEN ON THE REVERSE OF THIS CARD

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Avoid use of adrenaline and non-adrenaline

- Intravenous dosages (50, 150µg/m²) can also be given as intermittent bolus

For prophylaxis:

- Preoperative bolus of 500µg of octreotide and then infusion of 50-150µg/m² during surgery and continued post-op for 24-48 hours.

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