

FORMULARY

Vecuronium (Norcuron)

Class of Drug	Neuromuscular blocker
Mechanism of Action	Antagonizes motor endplate acetylcholine receptors (non-depolarizing neuromuscular blocker)
Indications	Rapid Sequence Intubation, need for prolonged paralysis in the intubated and ventilated patient.
Contraindications	Hypersensitivity to the drug
Adverse Effects	Bronchospasm
Precautions	Neuromuscular diseases
Dosing/Administration	RSI: 0.1 mg/kg IV Ongoing paralysis: same as RSI dose, repeat prn
Pregnancy Category	Category C. It is not known whether vecuronium will harm an unborn baby.

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