ANTIBIOTIC MEDICATIONS (REFERENCE)



CLARITHROMYCIN

Used by Combat Medics (CM)

Macrolide antibiotic

Recommended for all open combat wounds if able to take PO meds and Moxifloxacin unavailable.

DOSAGE(S):

500 mg every 12 hours

ROUTE(S):

PO

CONTRAINDICATIONS:

Known hypersensitivity, associated with QT prolongation, discontinue if signs of hepatitis occur

POTENTIAL SIDE EFFECTS:

Abnormal taste, diarrhea, nausea, vomiting, abdominal pain, rash, dyspepsia, headache, anaphylaxis, anorexia, clostridium difficile colitis, dizziness, dyspnea, hepatic dysfunction, hypoglycemia, elevated transaminases, jaundice, manic behavior, leukopenia, neutropenia, pancreatitis, QT prolongation, seizures, Stevens-Johnson syndrome, thrombocytopenia

DRUG
INTERACTIONS:

Amiodarone, atorvastatin, buprenorphine, buspirone, chloroquine, ciprofloxacin, citalopram, clopidogrel, colchicine, cyclosporin, dalteparin, dexamethasone, diazepam, digoxin, dihydroergotamine, enoxaparin, epinephrine, erythromycin, estradiol, fentanyl, fluconazole, haloperidol, heparin, hydrocortisone, ibutilide, isoflurane, ketamine, ketoconazole, lithium, lovastatin, mefloquine, midazolam, modafinil, moxifloxacin, oxycodone, pentamidine, quinidine, saquinavir, simvastatin, voclosporin

ONSET/PEAK/DURATION: 30 min-1 hr/2 hr/12 hr

TACTICAL CONSIDERATIONS: Minimal to no mission impact. Do not co-administer with Midazolam.

