Medication Formulary

Generic Name: Flumazenil

Brand Name: Romasicon

Class: Benzodiazepine receptor antagonist

Actions: Antagonizes the actions of benzodiazepines on the CNS. May not be effective in reversing hypoventilation. Is not effective on alcohol, barbiturates, or opioids.

Onset: 1-2 minutes

Duration: 3-5 minutes

Indications: Reversal of benzodiazepine sedation or overdose.

Contraindications: Hypersensitivity, cyclic antidepressant overdose, cocaine or other stimulant intoxication.

Side Effects: Nausea/vomiting, vertigo, headache, agitation, pain at injection site, cutaneous vasodilation, vision disturbance, and seizures.

Interactions:

Administration Routes: IV, IO

Notes: May precipitate seizures in patients taking benzodiazepines for seizure control. Also, may precipitate withdrawal symptoms in patients who are dependent on benzodiazepines. Monitor patient closely for re-sedation, or respiratory depression.