

# Argatroban Infusion for Heparin Induced Thrombocytopenia [3283]

## General

## Nursing

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[X] Weigh patient	STAT, Once For 1 Occurrences if baseline measured weight not in medical record. Notify pharmacist if patient cannot be weighed.
[X] Notify Pharmacist	Routine, Until discontinued, Starting S For Until specified, NOTIFY pharmacist if patient CANNOT be weighed.
[X] Notify pharmacist	Routine, Until discontinued, Starting S, If a physician writes argatroban orders. Argatroban dose or infusion changes to be made by pharmacist only. Immediately if patient transfers or has an off-unit procedure. If compatibility with other IV drugs or if IV access is a concern IMMEDIATELY if argatroban infusion is stopped for any reason.
[X] Argatroban instructions	Routine, Until discontinued, Starting S Do not interrupt argatroban infusion unless ordered. Contact pharmacist regarding compatibility with other IV drugs if access is a concern. Contact pharmacist immediately if argatroban infusion is stopped for any reason.
[X] Notify Physician and Pharmacist	Routine, Until discontinued, Starting S, If hematoma, bleeding or suspected bleeding occurs.
[X] Do not call PTT results to physician unless ordered.	Routine, Until discontinued, Starting S For Until specified Do not call PTT results to physician unless ordered.
[X] Draw blood for PTT from arm that doesn't have argatroban infusion.	Routine, Until discontinued, Starting S If there is no other access, other than the argatroban line, then stop the argatroban, flush the line, aspirate 10 ml of blood to waste, and then reflush the line prior to drawing a specimen.

## IV Fluids

## Medications

### argatroban infusion

[X] argatroban 1 mg/mL infusion	1 mcg/kg/min, intravenous, continuous Indication: HIT Therapeutic Monitoring Target: PTT – 50 to 90 secs
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## VTE

## Labs

### Lab - Initiation

[X] Prothrombin time with INR	STAT For 1 Occurrences
[X] Partial thromboplastin time	STAT For 1 Occurrences
[ ] Hepatic function panel	STAT For 1 Occurrences
[ ] CBC with platelet and differential	STAT For 1 Occurrences

### Lab - Continuing

[ ] CBC with platelet and differential	AM draw For 1 Occurrences while on argatroban therapy
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[ ] Partial thromboplastin time	Once For Until specified Three (3) hours after initiation of argatroban infusion. Do not draw blood from the arm that has argatroban infusion. If there is no other access, other than the argatroban line for a Partial thromboplastin time (PTT) specimen draw, then stop the argatroban, flush the line, and aspirate 10 ml of blood to waste prior to drawing a specimen.
[ ] Occult blood, stool	Conditional Frequency, Stool guiac stools when there is a hemoglobin decrease of more than 2 gm/dL in a 24 hour period

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