



NEONATAL MEDICATION PROTOCOLS

HYDROXYCHLOROQUINE
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DRUG:	HYDROXYCHLOROQUINE
PRESENTATION:	Mixture: Hydroxychloroquine sulphate 200mg/5mL Contains - hydroxychloroquine base 155mg/5mL (prepared in Pharmacy).
ACTION & INDICATION:	Anti-malarial agent with anti-inflammatory activity Usually used to treat rheumatoid arthritis, systemic lupus erythematosus May be used to treat chronic lung disease
DOSE:	Dose stated in terms of hydroxychloroquine base . 5mg/kg/dose daily
ADMINISTRATION:	Oral: Given with or immediately after feeds.
ADVERSE EFFECTS:	Visual disturbances – changes to retina and cornea Rash, alopecia Bone marrow depression Gastrointestinal disturbances Muscle weakness.
REFERENCES:	J. Pediatr 1990;116:61-7
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