



Anticoagulation
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Order Set: Reversal & Hemostatic Therapies for DOAC-related, Life-Threatening Bleeding

Direct-acting oral anticoagulants (DOACs) are used widely for prevention and treatment of thromboembolism and consequently, clinicians are likely to encounter patients who present with life-threatening bleeding in the setting of DOAC use. The Anticoagulation Forum (AC Forum) created this Order Set template on reversal and hemostatic therapies for adults with DOAC-related, life-threatening bleeding to guide institutions in the creation, implementation, and maintenance of order sets. Our aim is to streamline care once anticoagulation reversal is deemed appropriate and is not intended to serve as a clinical decision tool to classify the severity of bleeding, nor to determine whether reversal is necessary. The authors acknowledge the lack of randomized trial data and, as such, this order set should be implemented with consideration of local formulary approval, laboratory assay availability, and clinical judgement.

****The optimal and maximum dosages of four factor prothrombin complex concentrate (4F-PCC) and factor eight inhibitor bypass activity (FEIBA) are not well defined; therefore, the dosing recommended within may be modified based on an individualized assessment of bleeding and thrombosis risk and institutional protocols.**

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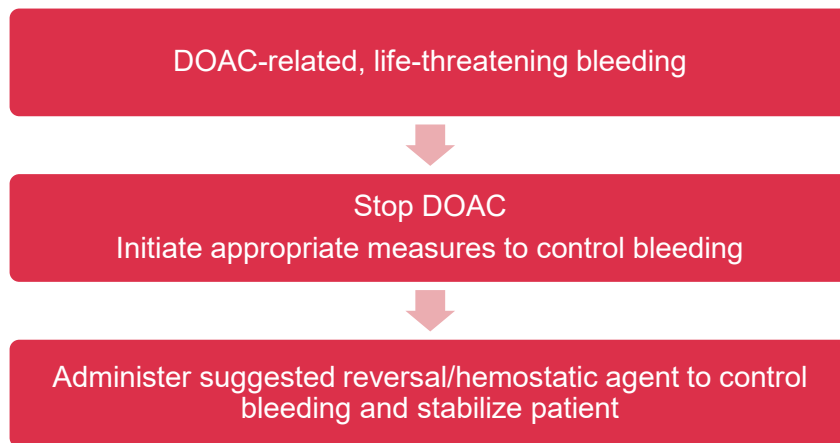
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Administration

DOCUMENT PURPOSE

This order set is intended for use in patients with life-threatening bleeding while receiving a direct-oral anticoagulant (DOAC) in whom clinically significant levels of DOAC are confirmed or suspected and for whom the decision to reverse anticoagulation has been made in addition to supportive measures. This order set is not intended for use for patients with mild bleeding or for emergent surgery/procedures.

DECISION SUPPORT^{1,2}:



Lab Monitoring*

ALL PATIENTS:

- Complete blood count (CBC)
- Metabolic panel including liver and kidney function
- Type and screen, crossmatch
- Prothrombin time/International Normalized Ratio (PT/INR)
- activated Partial Thromboplastin Time (aPTT)

****Do not delay administration of reversal agents for life-threatening bleeding while waiting for lab results***

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DABIGATRAN PATIENTS:

- First-Choice: Dilute thrombin time (dTT), ecarin clotting time (ECT), or ecarin chromogenic assay (ECA) (if available)
- Second-Choice: Thrombin time (TT)

APIXABAN, RIVAROXABAN, EDOXABAN PATIENTS:

- First-Choice: Anti-FXa chromogenic assay calibrated to specific DOAC (if available)
- Second-Choice: Anti-FXa assay calibrated to UFH or LMWH (if available)

Medication*

*** Reversal agents are prioritized per guideline recommendations and should be used in the order listed, based on availability**

APIXABAN (ELIQUIS®)³

- ANDEXANET ALFA (ANDEXXA®)⁴**

<8 HOURS OR UNKNOWN TIMING OF INGESTION:

- Apixaban dose ≤ 5 mg
 - Andexanet alfa 400 mg IV bolus administered at rate of 30 mg/minute, followed within 2 minutes by continuous IV infusion of 4 mg/minute for up to 120 minutes
- Apixaban dose > 5 mg or unknown dose strength
 - Andexanet alfa 800 mg IV bolus administered at a rate of 30 mg/minute, followed within 2 minutes by continuous IV infusion of 8mg/minute for up to 120 minutes

≥ 8 HOURS SINCE INGESTION:

- Andexanet alfa 400 mg IV bolus administered at rate of 30 mg/minute, followed within 2 minutes by continuous IV infusion of 4 mg/minute for up to 120 minutes

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4 FACTOR PROTHROMBIN COMPLEX CONCENTRATE (4F-PCC) (KCENTRA®)^{5} (IF ANDEXANET ALFA IS UNAVAILABLE)**

- 2,000 units IV^{2,3}
- 25-50 units/kg IV^{2,3}

ACTIVATED CHARCOAL^{2,3}

<2-4 HOURS SINCE INGESTION:

- activated charcoal 50g orally

DABIGATRAN (PRADAXA®)⁶

IDARUCIZUMAB (PRAXBIND®)⁷

- Idarucizumab (Praxbind®) 5g IV (2.5g IV bolus x 2)

4 FACTOR PROTHROMBIN COMPLEX CONCENTRATE (4F-PCC) (KCENTRA®)⁵ 50 UNITS/KG OR ACTIVATED PCC (APCC) (FEIBA®)⁸ 50 UNITS/KG** IV (IF IDARUCIZUMAB IS UNAVAILABLE)**

ACTIVATED CHARCOAL^{2,3}

<2-4 HOURS SINCE INGESTION:

- activated charcoal 50g orally

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EDOXABAN (SAVAYSA®)¹⁰

ANDEXANET ALFA (ANDEXXA®)⁴

REGARDLESS OF TIMING OF LAST DOSE:

- Andexanet alfa 800 mg IV bolus administered at rate of 30 mg/minute, followed within 2 minutes by continuous IV infusion of 8 mg/minute for up to 120 minutes

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ACTIVATED CHARCOAL^{2,3}

<2-4 HOURS SINCE INGESTION:

- activated charcoal 50g orally

RIVAROXABAN (XARELTO®)¹¹

ANDEXANET ALFA (ANDEXXA®)⁴

<8 HOURS OR UNKNOWN TIMING OF INGESTION:

- Rivaroxaban dose ≤ 10 mg
 - o Andexanet alfa 400 mg IV bolus administered at rate of 30 mg/minute, followed within 2 minutes by continuous IV infusion of 4 mg/minute for up to 120 minutes
- Rivaroxaban dose >10 mg or unknown dose strength
 - o Andexanet alfa 800 mg IV bolus administered at a rate of 30 mg/minute, followed within 2 minutes by continuous IV infusion of 8 mg/minute for up to 120 minutes

≥ 8 HOURS SINCE INGESTION:

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