

CLASS: A

PROTOCOLS USED IN: Respiratory Distress

PHARMACOLOGY AND ACTIONS:

Ipratropium is an atropine derivative used for inhalation therapy. For severe asthma, Ipratropium taken in addition to a short acting beta agonist (such as Albuterol) can provide greater bronchodilation and clinical benefit than the beta agonist alone.

INDICATIONS:

As a supplement to Albuterol in patients with asthma and COPD experiencing acute reactive airway exacerbation.

SIDE EFFECTS AND NOTES:

- A. Dry mouth.
- B. Pharyngeal irritation.

ADULT DOSING:

Asthma/ COPD -

Nebulized: 0.5 mg via nebulizer with Albuterol

PEDIATRIC DOSING:

Same as adult dosing