Angiomax (Bivalirudin) Weight-based	Dosing Guidelines MCT [3040001160]
Nursing	
 Notify Physician Angiomax: IMMEDIATELY Notify physician if bleeding develops at any time Nursing Interventions 	Routine, Until discontinued, Starting today
Check PTT's - Instructions	Routine, Until discontinued, Starting today - Check PTT 3 hours after start of infusion and adjust dose - Check PTT 3 hours after each dose adjustment - After 2 consecutive PTT readings in therapeutic range (55-75), may check PTT daily
Labs	
Chemistry Basic	
Creatinine Creatinine	Once For 1 Occurrences All labs should be drawn after discontinuation of heparin products.
Hematology	
Platelet count	Once For 1 Occurrences All labs should be drawn after discontinuation of heparin products.
Coagulation	
Prothrombin Time/INR	Once For 1 Occurrences All labs should be drawn after discontinuation of heparin products.
aptt a	Once For 1 Occurrences All labs should be drawn after discontinuation of heparin products.
PTT aPTT	As needed 3 hours after start of infusion and 3 hours after each dose adjustment.
D-Dimer, Quantitative	Once For 1 Occurrences All labs should be drawn after discontinuation of heparin products.
Daily CBC with Automated Differential	Daily
Prothrombin Time/INR	Daily Daily if on Warfarin.
aptt	Daily, Starting tomorrow After two consecutive PTT readings in therapeutic range (55-75).
Basic Metabolic Panel	Daily For 3 Days
Comprehensive Metabolic Panel	Daily For 3 Occurrences
Magnesium	Daily For 3 Occurrences
Immunology	-
Heparin Antibody (HIT ASSAY) RX CONSULT REQUIRED panel - place Both orders	
F Heparin Antibody	As needed For 1 Occurrences
Consult to Pharmacy - Generic: **REQUIRED FOR HIT ASSAY**	Routine, Once For 1 Occurrences

Medications

Bivalirudin Weight based protocol

Criteria for use:

- Should be used for suspected or confirmed HIT or other intolerances to heparin in patients with indications for full anticoagulation (e.g., DVT, PE, atrial fibrillation, mechanical prosthetic valve)

- May be used in patients with renal and hepatic dysfunction

- This dosing protocol is not intended for use in PCI or other invasive procedures (vascular surgery, cardiac surgery, etc.)

Initial **STARTING RATE** (mg/kg/hr). (Contact Pharmacy for assistance with initial CrCl based rate):

CrCl (ml/min)	Starting Rate (mg/kg/hr)
GREATER than 60	0.08
30-60	0.05
LESS than or EQUAL	0.03
to 29 or CRRT	
Hemodialysis	0.02

Perioperative Hold Parameters

CrCL (mL/min)RecommendationsGREATER than 60Hold for 2-4 hr and recheck PTTLESS than or EQUAL to 60Hold for 4-6 hr (may need to hold longer during off-dialysis)period in patients receiving hemodialysis) and recheck PTT until PTT is back to baseline

Guidelines for administration with Warfarin:

- Angiomax and warfarin should be overlapped for a minimum of 5 days

- Do not start warfarin until the platelets reach at least 150,000

- Starting warfarin dose recommended to be 5 mg per day. No loading dose recommended.

- Combination of Angiomax and warfarin results in "false elevation" of INR. This does not necessarily increase the risk of bleeding.

- Discontinue Angiomax when INR is greater than 3. An INR should be drawn 3 hr after the infusion is stopped, to confirm that the INR is within desired therapeutic range. Notify prescriber.

- If the repeat INR is less than the desired therapeutic range, the most recent infusion rate should be restarted, INR drawn the next day and this process repeated until the INR is within the desired therapeutic range.

*Discontinue argatroban when INR is greater than 4. An INR should be drawn 4-6 hours after the infusion is stopped to confirm that INR is within desired therapeutic range.

*If repeat INR is less than desired therapeutic range, the most recent infusion rate should be restarted, INR drawn in 24 hours, and this process repeated until INR is within desired therapeutic range.

Discontinue argatroban if repeat INR within desired therapeutic range.

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bivalirudin (ANGIOMAX) 1 mg/mL in sodium chloride 0.9% (NS) 250 mL infusion

0.01-0.2 mg/kg/hr Continuous, IntravenousInitial STARTING RATE (mg/kg/hr). (ContactPharmacy for assistance with initial CrCl based rate):CrCl (ml/min)StartingRate (mg/kg/hr)GREATER than 6030-600.05LESS than or EQUAL to 29 or CRRT0.03Hemodialysis0.02

Infusion Rate Adjustments (Goal PTT 55-75 seconds) PTT (sec) **Recommended Rate** Adjustment LESS than 40 Increase by 0.01 mg/kg/hr and recheck PTT in 3 hrs 40-54 Increase by 0.005 mg/kg/hr and recheck PTT in 3 hrs 55-75 No change (goal PTT) and recheck PTT in 3 hrs 76-90 Decrease by 0.005 mg/kg/hr and recheck PTT in 3 hrs 91-105 Hold for 2 hr, then decrease by 0.01 mg/kg/hr and recheck PTT in 3 hrs Hold and recheck PTT **GREATER** than 105 every 3 hr until PTT in goal range, then decrease by 0.01 mg/kg/hr

After 2 consecutive PTT readings in therapeutic range (55-75), may check PTT daily. If PTT not at goal within 24 hours, pharmacist may make adjustments to protocol.

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Consults

Pharmacy Consults

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