

## Aspirin

- Class: Analgesic  
Anti-inflammatory agent  
Antipyretic  
Antiplatelet
- Action: Blocks CNS pain impulses  
Causes peripheral vasodilation  
Decreases the aggregation of platelets  
Produces a reduction in mortality associated with myocardial infarction  
Reduces the rate of nonfatal reinfarctions
- Indications: Chest pain associated with acute myocardial infarctions  
Moderate pain or fever
- Contra  
Indications: GI bleeding  
Hypersensitivity
- Precautions: Pts. with GI problems
- Side Effects: GI problems- bleeding, nausea, and vomiting
- Dosage: Adult = Chest pain with MI: 325 mg. chewed/ PO  
Moderate pain or fever: 325 mg. PO every 4-6 hours  
Pedi. (over 12 years) = Mild pain or fever:40-100 mg/kg./day
- Route: PO.
- Sources: Mosby's Paramedic Textbook  
Second Edition  
Brady Prehospital Emergency Pharmacology  
Fifth Edition