

# Digoxin Toxicity Checklist for Action:

**DIGIFab**  
digoxin immune fab (ovine)

**Early recognition of potentially life-threatening digoxin toxicity may result in improved treatment outcomes<sup>1,2</sup>**

## Signs and Symptoms

### Neurologic<sup>1,3,4</sup>

- Altered mental status
- Confusion
- Delirium

### Cardiac<sup>4,6</sup>

Digoxin toxicity can cause almost any dysrhythmia or conduction abnormality<sup>3</sup>

- Ventricular dysrhythmias
- Second- or third-degree heart block
- Premature ventricular contractions

### Gastrointestinal<sup>1,7</sup>

- Nausea
- Vomiting
- Diarrhea
- Abdominal pain

### Renal<sup>1</sup>

- Renal impairment

### Laboratory<sup>5</sup>

- Hyperkalemia
- Severely elevated serum digoxin concentrations

## Digoxin Toxicity Risk Factors

- Decreased renal function<sup>1,5,8,9</sup>
- Multiple concomitant medications,<sup>9</sup> including:
  - Diuretics<sup>3,5</sup>
  - Antiarrhythmics (e.g., amiodarone, quinidine)<sup>1,8</sup>
  - Antibiotics (e.g., macrolides)<sup>3</sup>
  - Calcium channel blockers<sup>8</sup>
  - Beta blockers<sup>8</sup>
- Advanced age and medical illness (e.g., heart failure, diminished renal function)<sup>5,6,9,10</sup>
- Electrolyte imbalance (e.g., hypokalemia, hypercalcemia, hypomagnesemia)<sup>1,8</sup>
- Fluid loss or poor fluid intake<sup>1,8</sup>

### Signs and symptoms of digoxin toxicity are often nonspecific.

If your patient is exhibiting signs of digoxin toxicity, running a serum digoxin level can help support a diagnosis.<sup>3</sup>

**Any one of the above may indicate the need for IMMEDIATE INTERVENTION with DIGIFab<sup>1,5,11</sup>**



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## INDICATIONS AND USAGE

DIGIFab is indicated for the treatment of patients with life-threatening or potentially life-threatening digoxin toxicity or overdose, including:

- Known suicidal or accidental consumption of fatal doses of digoxin: 10 mg or more of digoxin in healthy adults, or 4 mg (or more than 0.1 mg/kg) in healthy children, or ingestion of an amount that can cause steady-state serum concentrations of  $\geq 10$  ng/mL;
- Chronic ingestions causing steady-state serum digoxin concentrations  $>6$  ng/mL in adults or 4 ng/mL in children;
- Manifestations of life-threatening toxicity of digoxin overdose such as severe ventricular arrhythmias, progressive bradycardia, and second or third degree heart block not responsive to atropine, serum potassium levels exceeding 5.5 mEq/L in adults or 6 mEq/L in children with rapidly progressive signs and symptoms of digoxin toxicity.