

ANTIDOTE BUZZWORDS

one poison. one antidote.

USMLE high yield



THE FASTEST CLUES

poison → antidote

1 acetaminophen overdose → N-acetylcysteine

2 opioid overdose → naloxone

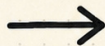
3 benzodiazepine overdose → flumazenil

4 methanol or ethylene glycol → fomepizole

5 organophosphate poisoning → atropine + pralidoxime

6 cyanide poisoning → hydroxocobalamin

PEARL: if the stem gives a toxin,
match the classic antidote.



DON'T MIX THESE UP

classic traps

NALOXONE

opioid overdose

FLUMAZENIL

benzodiazepine
overdose

FOMEPIZOLE

methanol or
ethylene glycol

**ATROPINE +
PRALIDOXIME**

organophosphate
poisoning

PROTAMINE

heparin reversal

VITAMIN K + PCC

severe warfarin
bleeding

PEARL: if two answers look close,
pick the one that reverses the
classic toxin or anticoagulant.

HIGH-STAKES REVERSALS

what they save

1

N-ACETYLCYSTEINE

acetaminophen overdose
prevents liver injury

2

NALOXONE

pinpoint pupils + respiratory depression
think opioid overdose

3

FOMEPIZOLE

methanol or ethylene glycol
think toxic alcohol ingestion

4

ATROPINE + PRALIDOXIME

SLUDGE, miosis, bronchospasm
think organophosphates

PEARL: the stem usually gives one
giveaway finding before asking for the antidote.





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