

Contraindications and Cautions for Thrombolytic Use

?? Contraindications:

- ?? Hemorrhagic stroke at any time; other stroke or cerebrovascular events within 1 year
- ?? Known intracranial neoplasm
- ?? Active internal bleeding (does not include menses)
- ?? Suspected aortic dissection

Cautions/Relative Contraindications:

- ?? Severe uncontrolled HTN on presentation (BP > 180/110 mm Hg)
- ?? Prior cerebrovascular accident or known intracerebral pathology.
- ?? Current use of anticoagulants in therapeutic doses (INR \geq 2-3); known bleeding diathesis
- ?? Trauma (within 2-4 wks), or traumatic or prolonged (> 10 min) CPR or major surgery (< 3 wks)
- ?? Noncompressible vascular punctures
- ?? Recent (within 2-4 weeks) internal bleeding

For streptokinase/anistreplase: prior exposure (especially within 5 days to 2 yrs) or prior allergy

- ?? Pregnancy
- ?? Active peptic ulcer
- ?? History of chronic severe HTN
- ?? AGE: < 75 yrs-definite benefit, > 75 yrs-fewer clear benefits but mortality without therapy high.