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CLOPIDOGREL **(Brand Names: Plavix)**

STRENGTH: 75 and 300 mg Tablets.

ROUTE OF ADMINISTRATION: ORAL. May be given with or without food. Food can mitigate upset stomach side effects.

ACTION OF MEDICATION: Interferes with platelet clumping (aggregation) so as to disrupt clotting ability. Used to prevent thromboembolic (excessive clotting) diseases.

MOST COMMON SIDE EFFECTS REPORTED: Vomiting, appetite loss, diarrhea. These are generally mitigated by giving the medication with a small amount of food.

SEVERE SIDE EFFECTS REPORTED: Bleeding is a possible side effect so watch for dark tarry stools, inappropriate bruising, or any other suggestion of bleeding. Rarely a cat on long term clopidogrel will develop a serious anemia.

STORAGE: Keep away from light and store at room temperature. Do not refrigerate.

IF YOU MISS A DOSE: If a dose is accidentally skipped, do not double up on the next dose. Simply give the dose when is remembered and time the next dose appropriately.

OTHER INFORMATION: Effects of clopidogrel can be expected to be resolved 5-7 days after withdrawal of the drug (as one might do in anticipation of a surgical procedure).

For a more detailed presentation, visit:

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