

ASPIRIN

CLASSIFICATION

Analgesic

ACTION

1. In low doses, aspirin appears to impede clotting by blocking prostaglandin synthesis, which prevents formation of the platelet-aggregating substance thromboxane A₂

INDICATIONS

1. Reduction of risk of heart attack in patients with previous MI or unstable angina
2. Patients with suspected acute myocardial infarction

CONTRAINDICATIONS

1. Contraindicated in patients with hypersensitivity to drug

PRECAUTIONS/SIDE EFFECTS

1. GI distress, nausea, occult bleeding, dyspepsia, GI bleeding
2. Angioedema, hypersensitivity reactions (anaphylaxis, asthma), Reye's syndrome.
3. Adverse effects to report to the receiving medical facility:
 - Allergic reaction
 - Epigastric pain