

LASIX (Furosemide)

Protocols: AC 5-CHF/Pulmonary Edema, PC 3-PediatricCHF/Pulmonary Edema

- **Type of drug:** loop diuretic
- **Mechanism of Action:** inhibits reabsorption of sodium and chloride at proximal and distal tubule and in the loop of Henle causing an increase in urine output and decreased venous return to right atria.
- **Indications:** pulmonary edema, edema in CHF
- **Contraindications:** hypersensitivity to sulfonamides (glucose lowering oral medications), hypovolemia, pneumonia
- **Precautions:** severe renal disease
- **Route and Dosage:** 40 mg IV **ONLY IF** *Transport time > 30 minutes, Known CHF / Daily Lasix, Afebrile*
- **Adverse reactions and side effects:** hypotension, arrhythmias