

General Surgery – Common Drugs and Doses

Analgesia

Paracetamol	1g*	QDS	PO/IV
Codeine	30-60mg	QDS	PO
Tramadol	50-100mg	QDS	PO/IV/IM
Morphine	5-10mg**	QDS	PO/IV/IM
Ibuprofen	400mg	TDS	PO
Diclofenac	100mg	PR***	
	50mg	TDS	PO

*review dose if <50kg

**wards will not administer IV morphine, only IM. Rate can be increased from 4-6 hourly if required.

*** consider in renal colic

Anti-emetics

Cyclizine	50mg	TDS	PO/IV/IM
Ondansetron	4-8mg	TDS	IV
Metoclopramide*	10mg	TDS	PO/IV/IM

* pro-kinetic; avoid in small and large bowel obstruction

Proton pump inhibitors

Omeprazole	20-40mg	OD	PO/IV
Lansoprazole	30mg	OD	PO*

* can be given via sublingual route

Laxatives

Lactulose	15ml	BD	PO
Senna	7.5-15mg	OD	PO
Movicol	1-3 sachets/day, maximum 8 per day.	up to TDS	PO

