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## **Atropine**

In brain death, 1 amp of atropine (1 mg) IV should not affect the heart rate due to the absence of vagal tone (the normal response to atropine of increased heart rate rules out brain death, but the absence of the response is not helpful since some conditions such as Guillain-Barré may blunt the response). Systemic atropine in usual doses causes slight pupillary dilatation but does not eliminate reaction to light (therefore, to eliminate uncertainty, it is prudent to examine the pupils before giving the atropine).

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