Body Surface Area Calculations

Questions:	
1. A child has a BSA of 0.75 m ² . The doctor orders a medication at 30 mg/m ² . How many mg shou	uld
you administer?	
2. A patient has a BSA of 1.2 m ² . The prescribed dose is 25 mg/m ² . How many mg should be giver	n?
3. The physician orders 50 mg/m² for a patient with a BSA of 1.5 m². Calculate the dose in mg.	
4. A child with a BSA of 0.6 m ² is prescribed a drug at 40 mg/m ² . How many mg should y	ou
administer?	

5. A patient has a BSA of 1.8 m². The medication is ordered at 35 mg/m². What is the total dose in

mg?

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Questions (Continued):
6. The doctor prescribes a dose of 20 mg/m² for a patient with a BSA of 0.9 m². Calculate the dose
in mg.
7. A patient with a BSA of 2.0 m² requires a drug at 15 mg/m². How many mg should be
administered?
8. A child has a BSA of 0.5 m² and needs a medication at a dose of 45 mg/m². What is the total
dose in mg?
9. The order is for 10 mg/m² for a patient with a BSA of 1.3 m². How many mg should you
administer?
10. A patient has a BSA of 1.6 m ² . The physician orders a drug at 60 mg/m ² . Calculate the dose in
mg.

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Answers:

1. 22.5 mg.
$$(0.75 \text{ m}^2 \times 30 \text{ mg/m}^2 = 22.5 \text{ mg})$$

2. 30 mg.
$$(1.2 \text{ m}^2 \times 25 \text{ mg/m}^2 = 30 \text{ mg})$$

3. 75 mg.
$$(1.5 \text{ m}^2 \times 50 \text{ mg/m}^2 = 75 \text{ mg})$$

4. 24 mg.
$$(0.6 \text{ m}^2 \times 40 \text{ mg/m}^2 = 24 \text{ mg})$$

5. 63 mg.
$$(1.8 \text{ m}^2 \times 35 \text{ mg/m}^2 = 63 \text{ mg})$$

6. 18 mg.
$$(0.9 \text{ m}^2 \times 20 \text{ mg/m}^2 = 18 \text{ mg})$$

7. 30 mg.
$$(2.0 \text{ m}^2 \times 15 \text{ mg/m}^2 = 30 \text{ mg})$$

8. 22.5 mg.
$$(0.5 \text{ m}^2 \times 45 \text{ mg/m}^2 = 22.5 \text{ mg})$$

9. 13 mg.
$$(1.3 \text{ m}^2 \times 10 \text{ mg/m}^2 = 13 \text{ mg})$$

10. 96 mg.
$$(1.6 \text{ m}^2 \times 60 \text{ mg/m}^2 = 96 \text{ mg})$$