

ESMOLOL – HDU GUIDELINE

- Form:** 100mg/10ml ampoule esmolol hydrochloride (Brevibloc™)
- Dose:** Usually prescribed in '**mcg/kg/min**', with varying doses based on indication, up to a usual maximum of 300mcg/kg/min when given by continuous infusion.
- Reconstitution:** Already in solution
- Administration:**
- a) IV injection (loading dose), followed by IV infusion
 - b) IV infusion (continuous)
 - c) IV injection over 15-30 seconds
 - d) Administer via infusion pump to control rate of infusion.
- Special Notes:**
- 1. Only a clear colourless or slightly coloured solution should be used
 - 2. Monitor blood pressure and heart rate.
 - 3. Infusions into small veins or through a butterfly catheter should be avoided (can cause thrombophlebitis)