

Flumazenil

Form:	500 microgram (0.5mg) per 5ml ampoule
Reconstitution:	Already in solution
Administration Method:	<p><u>IV Injection</u> Administer slowly over 15 - 30 seconds into a large vein.</p> <p><u>Continuous IV Infusion</u> Dilute 2.5mg flumazenil (5 x 5ml ampoules) to 50ml with compatible infusion fluid in a 50ml syringe (50 microgram/ml solution). Administer at a rate of 100 - 400 micrograms per hour depending on response.</p>
Extravasation:	Extravasation is likely to cause tissue damage because of extreme pH (less than 5).
Compatibility & Stability:	Sodium Chloride 0.9% Glucose 5%
Special Notes:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Half-life is very short (40-80 minutes), therefore an infusion may be necessary if drowsiness returns after a single dose.

Information provided relates to Anexate[®] manufactured by Cheplapharm Arzneimittel GmbH and Flumazenil manufactured by Teva.

This information has been summarised to act as a guide for those administering IV medication. The monograph should be used in conjunction with the drug data sheet and BNF for information on dose, adverse effects, cautions and contra-indications. Further information is available from Pharmacy on 22146 or 22542