

Octreotide

Form:	50 micrograms per 1ml ampoule 100 micrograms per 1 ml ampoule 500micrograms per 1ml ampoule
Reconstitution:	Already in solution
Administration Method:	<p><u>IV Injection</u> Dilute each 1ml octreotide with 1 - 9ml sodium chloride 0.9%. Give slowly over 3 - 5 minutes.</p> <p><u>Intermittent IV Infusion (unlicensed)</u> Add required dose to 50 - 100ml infusion fluid and administer over 15 - 30 minutes.</p> <p><u>Continuous IV Infusion</u> Add 1000 micrograms to 50ml infusion fluid (giving a solution of 20mcg/ml) and administer at a rate of 25 – 50 microgram/hour.</p>
Compatibility & Stability:	Sodium Chloride 0.9%
Special Notes:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Most commonly given by SC injection. Guidelines are for intravenous use only. • Do not confuse with Sandostatin LAR[®] which is a depot octreotide preparation that can only be given IM. • ECG and blood pressure monitoring required for IV doses. • Monitor blood glucose levels.

Information provided relates to Sandostatin[®] manufactured by Novartis.

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