

Caspofungin

Restricted Antimicrobial See CUH Antimicrobial Guidelines on Eolas for further information	
Caspofungin dosing is weight based; ensure accuracy of documented weight before administration	
Form & Storage	50mg dry powder vialVials should be stored in fridge.70mg dry powder vialfridge.
Reconstitution	Allow the vial to reach room temperature. Add 10.5 mL of WFI and mix gently. The concentrations of the reconstituted vials will be: 5 mg/mL (50 mg vial) or 7 mg/mL (70 mg vial). Withdraw 10mL to provide the full 50mg or 70mg dose. Dilute further before administration
Compatibility & Stability	 Sodium Chloride 0.9% ONLY From a microbiological point of view, should be used immediately; however: Reconstituted vials may be stored at 2–8°C for 24 hours. Prepared infusions may be stored at 2–8°C and infused (at room temperature) within 24 hours. Check that the solution is clear before use. Do not use if the solution is cloudy or has precipitated.
Administration	IV infusionAdd the required amount of the reconstituted solution to 250mL of compatible fluid, and infuse over a period of one hour.For doses of 50mg or less, 100mL can be used in fluid restriction if required.
Monitoring	Monitor LFTs, U&Es, urinalysis and FBCs
Additional Information	Caspofungin is usually prescribed as a loading dose followed by a maintenance dose .Refer to CUH Antimicrobial Guidelines on Eolas for further guidance.

Information provided relates to Caspofungin manufactured by Wockhardt.

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