

## Clindamycin

<b>SALAD</b> <i>Clarithromycin and Clindamycin</i>																	
<b>Form</b>	600mg per 4mL ampoule	Store below 25°C															
<b>Reconstitution</b>	Already in solution <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Draw up using a 5 micron filter needle</li> <li>Use gloves when opening ampoules</li> </ul> <b>Dilute further before administration.</b>																
<b>Compatibility &amp; Stability</b>	Sodium chloride 0.9% Glucose 5%																
<b>Administration</b>	<b>IV Infusion</b> Administer at a maximum rate of 30mg/minute. <table border="1" data-bbox="489 736 1298 911"> <thead> <tr> <th>Dose</th><th>Diluent</th><th>Administration time</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>300mg</td><td>50mL</td><td>At least 10 minutes</td></tr> <tr> <td>600mg</td><td>50mL</td><td>At least 20 minutes</td></tr> <tr> <td>900mg</td><td>50mL or 100mL</td><td>At least 30 minutes</td></tr> <tr> <td>1.2g</td><td>100mL</td><td>At least 60 minutes</td></tr> </tbody> </table> <b>Fluid restriction:</b> maximum concentration 18mg/mL. Each 300mg in minimum 17mL infusion fluid <b>IM Injection</b> Intramuscular administration is indicated when intravenous infusion is not possible for any reason. For intramuscular administration clindamycin should be used <b>undiluted</b> . Single IM injections of greater than 600 mg are not recommended.		Dose	Diluent	Administration time	300mg	50mL	At least 10 minutes	600mg	50mL	At least 20 minutes	900mg	50mL or 100mL	At least 30 minutes	1.2g	100mL	At least 60 minutes
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<b>Monitor</b>	Monitor for hypersensitivity reactions, injection site, blood pressure, diarrhoea (stop clindamycin if diarrhoea is persistent). If therapy is prolonged (more than 10 days), liver and kidney function tests should be performed																
<b>Additional Information</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Administration of more than 1.2g in a single 1 hour infusion is not recommended.</li> <li>Clindamycin is known to cause antibiotic-associated diarrhoea, including C. difficile infection. All patients receiving clindamycin should be advised to report new diarrhoeal or significant gastrointestinal symptoms, occurring with or shortly after Clindamycin treatment.</li> <li>Clindamycin has excellent oral bioavailability. If possible use PO route from commencement of therapy. See Eolas for info on iv-po switch.</li> </ul>																

**Information provided relates to Clindamycin (Fresenius Kabi)**  
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*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*