

Flumazenil

CAUTION: High Administration Risk Rating	
Form	500 microgram (0.5mg) per 5mL ampoule
Reconstitution	Already in solution <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draw up using a 5 micron filter needle • Use gloves when opening ampoules
Compatibility & Stability	Sodium Chloride 0.9% Glucose 5%
Administration	<p><u>IV Injection</u> Administer slowly over 15 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. Stop infusion every 6 hours to check whether re-sedation occurs. Preferably administer via a central venous access device to avoid potential venous irritation. If given peripherally, choose a large vein and monitor the injection site closely.</p>
Extravasation	Extravasation is likely to cause tissue damage because of extreme pH (less than 5).
Additional Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flumazenil should only be administered by, or under the direct supervision of, personnel experienced in its use. • Half-life is very short (40-80 minutes), therefore an infusion may be necessary if drowsiness returns after a single dose.

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