

Hydrocortisone (Solu-Cortef[®])

Form	100mg dry powder vial as Hydrocortisone Sodium Succinate
Reconstitution	Add 2mL WFI to each 100mg vial. Parenteral drug products should be inspected visually for particulate matter and discolouration prior to administration. Use solution only if it is clear. Reconstituted solution should be used immediately.
Compatibility & Stability	Sodium Chloride 0.9% Glucose 5%
Administration Method	IV Injection Give over 1 - 10 minutes. IV Infusion Add reconstituted solution to at least 100mL of compatible fluid. Give over 20 - 30 minutes. IM Injection No further dilution of reconstituted solution required.
Monitoring	Monitor serum Na, K, Ca.
Additional Information	 Central serous chorioretinopathy is a retinal disorder that has been linked to the systemic use of corticosteroids. Patients should be advised to report any blurred vision or other visual disturbances with corticosteroid treatment.

Information provided relates to Solu-Cortef[®] manufactured by Pfizer.

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