

Isavuconazole

CAUTION: High Risk Administration		
CAUTION: Isavuconazole is usually administered as six loading doses followed by a less frequent maintenance dose. Check the correct regimen is prescribed.		
Reserve Antimicrobial See CUH Antimicrobial Guidelines on Eolas for further information		
Form	Cresemba® 200 mg powder for concentrate for solution for infusion	Store in fridge at 2–8°C
Reconstitution	Reconstitute each vial with 5mL WFI Shake vial until the solution is clear. Dilute further before administration	
Compatibility & Stability	Sodium chloride 0.9% Glucose 5%	
Administration	IV Infusion Withdraw the entire contents of the vial and add to 250mL sodium chloride 0.9% or glucose 5% infusion bag. Gently mix or roll the bag to minimise particulate formation. Some fine white-to-translucent particulates may occur which do not sediment. They will be removed by the in-line filter during administration Give over at least 60 minutes via an in-line 0.2 - 1.2micron polyethersulfone (PES) filter using an infusion pump This filter B Braun Sterifix® 0.2µ Ref 4099303 is available to order from stores	
Extravasation	Isavuconazole has a low pH and may cause venous irritation and tissue damage in cases of extravasation. If a central venous access device is unavailable, administer via a large peripheral vein monitoring insertion site closely using a recognised phlebitis scoring tool. Re-site cannula at first signs of inflammation.	
Additional Information	Each vial contains 200 mg isavuconazole (as 372.6 mg isavuconazonium sulfate).	

Information provided relates to Cresemba® (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