

## Levofloxacin

Form	500mg in 100mL bottle
Reconstitution	Already in solution
Compatibility & Stability	N/A
Administration	Only clear solutions, free from particles, should be used. Solution may be greenish-yellow in colour.  IV Infusion Administer 250mg over at least 30 minutes and 500mg over at least 60 minutes.
	Perforated bottles/bags should be used immediately (within 3 hours of perforation of rubber stopper/bag).
Monitoring	Monitor blood pressure during infusion. If a noticeable drop in blood pressure occurs, the infusion must be stopped immediately.
Additional Information	<ul> <li>Levofloxacin has excellent bioavailability. Consider oral route from the onset, or a rapid IV to po switch as appropriate. See CUH Antimicrobial Guidelines on Eolas for further information.</li> <li>Fluoroquinolones (FQ) are associated with serious adverse effects affecting muscles, tendons, bones and the nervous system. See CUH Antimicrobial Guidelines on Eolas for further information <a href="https://www.hpra.ie/docs/default-source/publications-forms/newsletters/hpra-drug-safety-newsletter-edition-91.pdf?sfvrsn=7">https://www.hpra.ie/docs/default-source/publications-forms/newsletters/hpra-drug-safety-newsletter-edition-91.pdf?sfvrsn=7</a></li> </ul>

Information provided relates to Tavanic  $^{\! \otimes}$  manufactured by Sanofi Aventis, and Levofloxacin by Fresenius Kabi.