

Protamine Sulphate

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| Form | 50mg per 5mL vial, corresponding to 1400 anti-heparin International Units/mL |
| Reconstitution | Already in solution |
| Compatibility & Stability | Sodium Chloride 0.9% ONLY Diluted solutions should be used immediately as they contain no preservative. |
| Administration | <p><u>IV Injection</u> Slow IV injection via a large peripheral vein over 10 minutes. Maximum rate of 5mg/min.</p> <p><u>IV Infusion</u> Dilute the required dose in a compatible infusion fluid and give at a rate not exceeding 5mg/min using an infusion pump. 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> |
| Monitoring | Monitor activated partial thromboplastin time ratio (APTT _r) or other appropriate blood clotting parameters. |
| Adverse Drug Reactions | Administration of protamine sulphate can cause anaphylactic reactions and therefore facilities for resuscitation and treatment of shock should be available. |
| Extravasation | Extravasation is likely to cause tissue damage due to low pH. |
| Notes | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do not give more than 50mg per course. • Caution in fish sensitivity and vasectomised men (increased risk of allergic reactions) |

Information provided relates to Protamine Sulphate manufactured by LEO Pharma.

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