

# Propranolol Intravenous for Adults

## Who can administer

May be administered by registered competent doctor or nurse/midwife (doctor present)

## Important information

- **Must not be used if there is a history of asthma or bronchospasm**
- Intravenous doses are much lower than those used orally
- Unlicensed preparation
- May block or modify signs or symptoms of hypoglycaemia

## Available preparations

Dociton 1mg per 1mL ampoule

## Reconstitution

Already in solution

**Draw up using a 5 micron filter needle**

## Infusion fluids

Not required - product ready for use

## Methods of intravenous administration

### **Bolus intravenous injection**

- Administer required dose over 1 minute

## Dose in adults

### **Arrhythmias and thyrotoxic crisis** (ref BNF)

- Give 1mg over one minute
- If necessary, repeat at two minute intervals
- Maximum total dose 10mg (5mg in adults under anaesthesia)

## Monitoring

- Continuous pulse, blood pressure and ECG monitoring required

## Storage

Store below 25°C

## References

No SPC available.

All information taken from BNF

## Therapeutic classification

Betablocker