

## Who can administer

May be administered by registered competent doctor or nurse/midwife

## Available preparations

Briivact 50mg per 5ml vial

## Reconstitution

Already in solution

## Infusion fluids

Sodium chloride 0.9% or Glucose 5%

## Methods of intravenous administration

### **Bolus intravenous injection**

- Administer required dose as a bolus injection over at least three minutes <sup>(ref 1)</sup>

### **Intermittent intravenous infusion**

- Dilute required dose with infusion fluid (suggest 100ml) and administer over 15 minutes
- A 50ml infusion may be used if required (eg fluid restriction) but the residual volume in the infusion line must be flushed through at the same rate to avoid significant underdosing

## Dose in adults

### **Usual dose**

- Starting dose: give 25mg or 50mg twice daily
- Based on response and tolerability, the dose may be increased to 100mg twice daily
- There is **no experience** with use of intravenous formulation for a **period longer than four days**

### **Conversion from oral to IV therapy or vice versa**

- Maintain the same dose and frequency of administration <sup>(ref 1)</sup>
- For example 50mg twice daily orally can be switched to 50mg twice daily by intravenous route

### **Renal impairment**

- No dosage adjustment required. Not recommended in dialysis patients, due to a lack of data

### **Hepatic impairment**

- Exposure increased in chronic liver disease, consider a maximum dose of 75mg BD for "all stages of hepatic impairment"

## Storage

Store below 25°C

## References

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1: Injectable medicines administration guide Medusa. Downloaded 21/10/2021

## Therapeutic classification

Anti-epileptic