

SALBUTAMOL

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| PRESENTATION: | Ampoules containing 5mg in 5ml, (1mg/ml) of salbutamol |
| INDICATION: | Treatment of acute severe bronchospasm. |
| DOSE AND ADMINISTRATION: | <p>ICU STANDARD INTRAVENOUS INFUSION</p> <p>Dilute 10mg (10ml) of salbutamol with 490ml of glucose 5%.</p> <p>Dose: 3 – 20 micrograms/minute, 180-1200 micrograms/ hour.</p> <p>Rate: 9 – 60 ml/hour, titrated to effect.</p> <p>Higher doses have been used with success in patients with respiratory failure.</p> <p>Salbutamol 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.</p> |
| CONCENTRATION: | 20 micrograms/ml |
| STABILITY: | Physically and chemically stable for 24 hours. |
| ADDITIONAL NOTES: | Preferred diluent is glucose 5% but also stable in sodium chloride 0.9%. |

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