

# Obstetric analgesia and anaesthesia

## Excerpta Medica - Obstetric Analgesia and Anesthesia

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Potency	10	2-3	4-12	3	4-12
Onset	10	1-5	4-6	1	3-4
Stability	Stable	Stable	Stable	Stable	Stable
Total maximal dose	50-100 mg	200-300 mg	175-200 mg	100-150 mg	200-300 mg
Indication					
Concentration	0.05-0.1%	0.1-1%	0.02%	0.1%	0.1-0.5%
Onset	10-30 min	3-5 min	5-10 min	3-5 min	5-10 min
Duration	10-15 h	1-2 h	10-15 h	30-60 min	10-15 h
Nerve block					
Concentration	0.25-0.5%	1-2%	0.25-0.5%	2%	0.5-1%
Onset	20-30 min	10-20 min	20-30 min	10-20 min	20-30 min
Duration	3-10 h	2-4 h	4-12 h	30-60 min	5-8 h
Spinal					
Concentration	—	1-2%	0.04-0.2%	2-3%	0.05-1%
Onset	—	5-15 min	10-20 min	5-10 min	10-20 min
Duration	—	1-2 h	2-3 h	30-60 min	2-4 h
Subarachnoid					
Concentration	0.25-1%	2-5%	0.5-0.75%	2%	0.5-1%
Onset	5-10 min	40-100 min	10-15 min	10-20 min	10-15 min
Onset	Fast	Fast	Fast	Fast	Fast
Duration	10-200 min	4-10 min	75-150 min	30-60 min	75-150 min

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AB - This chapter provides an overview of obstetric analgesia and anesthesia clinical techniques that offer significant benefit to laboring patients and are essential for operative delivery. General anesthesia is used in obstetric practice when regional anesthesia is contraindicated or when a maternal or fetal emergency requires a rapid, reliable anesthetic. Please enter an e-mail address that you check often.

### Obstetric Analgesia and Anesthesia

There is no other circumstance in which it is considered acceptable for an individual to experience untreated severe pain that is amenable to safe intervention while the individual is under a physician's care. Appropriate attention in the prenatal period to patient education regarding these options is imperative. Women and their support people should be involved in the discussion of anesthesia and analgesic options.

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If cesarean section is necessary, consideration of regional or general anesthesia is appropriate. Nonmembers: Subscribe now to access exclusive ACOG Clinical content, including: ACOG Clinical is designed for easy and convenient access to the latest clinical guidance for patient care. In the absence of a medical contraindication, maternal request is a sufficient medical indication for pain relief during labor.

### Obstetric Analgesia and Anesthesia

Many women desire pain management during labor and delivery, and there are many medical indications for analgesia and anesthesia during labor and delivery. Labor pain may cause significant physiological effects on the mother, fetus, and labor course. Effective management of labor pain requires an understanding of the dynamic labor process.

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