

BC CANCER CHEMOTHERAPY PREPARATION AND STABILITY CHART

DRUG & STRENGTH (Storage Prior to Use, Manufacturer, Preservative Status)	Reconstitute With:	To Give:	Vial Stability	Product	Product Stability	Special Precautions/Notes
Leucovorin 50 mg/5 mL 500 mg/50 mL (Hospira) (F)(PFL) no preservative ¹	N/A	10 mg/mL ¹	50 mg: discard unused portion ²	syringe ³	7 d F, ³ 48 h RT ^{3,4}	
				500 mg: 8 h ¹	0.05-10 mg/mL NS, D5W, Ringer's, LR, D10W, D5NS ^{1,2} (e.g., 50-250 mL*)	

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Leucovorin 50 mg/5 mL 500 mg/50 mL (Teva) (F)(PFL) no preservative ⁵	N/A	10 mg/mL ¹	discard unused portion ¹	syringe	8 h ^{6,7}	
				0.4 - 4.8 mg/mL NS , D5W ⁸ (e.g., 50-250 mL*)	72 h F , RT ⁸	
				0.06 - 0.4 mg/mL NS , D5W ⁵	NS: 24 h RT ⁵ D5W: 12 h RT ⁵	
				0.06 - 1 mg/mL Ringer's, Lactated Ringer's, D10W, D10NS ⁵	Ringer's, LR: 24 h RT ⁵ D10W: 12 h RT ⁵ D10NS: 6 h RT ⁵	

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Leucovorin 50 mg/5 mL 500 mg/50 mL (Pfizer) (F)(PFL) no preservative ⁹	N/A	10 mg/mL ⁹	8 h ⁹	syringe	8 h RT ⁹	
				0.05 – 10 mg/mL NS , D5W, LR, Ringer's, D10W, D5NS ⁹ (e.g., 50-250 mL*)	NS , D5W, LR, Ringer's: 24 h RT ⁹ D10W, D5NS: 8 h RT ⁹	
Mechlorethamine 10 mg (Ovation/Merck) (RT,PFL) no preservative ¹⁰	do NOT use if discoloured or water droplets form in vial before reconstitution ¹⁰ 10 mL SWI or NS ¹⁰ record time of reconstitution	1 mg/mL ¹⁰	use within 4 h of reconstitution RT ^{7,11}	syringe ¹⁰	complete administration within 4 h of reconstitution RT ^{7,10,11}	
				100 mL NS ^{10,12}	complete administration within 4 h of reconstitution RT ^{7,10,12}	

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Melphalan 50 mg (GSK) (RT)(PFL) no preservative ¹³	10mL supplied diluent ¹³ immediately after adding diluent, shake vigorously ¹³ record time of reconstitution	5 mg/mL ¹³	2 h RT ¹³ do NOT refrigerate	0.1 – 0.45 mg/mL in NS only ¹³ (e.g., greater than 45 mg and less than or equal to 110 mg in 250 mL NS)*	complete administration within 60 min from time of initial reconstitution at RT ¹¹	
Mesna 1000 mg/10mL (Fresenius Kabi) (RT) preservative ¹⁴	N/A	100 mg/mL ¹⁴	14 d F , RT ^{7,14}	Greater than or equal to 1mg/mL ¹⁴ NS or D5W	48 h F , 24 h RT ¹⁴	
Methotrexate 50 mg/2mL 500 mg/20mL 1 g/40mL 5 g/200mL (Hospira) (RT)(PFL) no preservative ¹⁵	N/A	25 mg/mL ¹⁵	50mg: discard unused portion ¹⁵	syringe	2 d F , RT ^{11,16,17}	- for high-dose regimens (e.g., 1- 12 g/m ² as a single dose) ¹⁸⁻²² : use preservative-free methotrexate ¹¹ - do not use for IT injection
			500mg, 1 g, 5 g: 8 h F , RT ¹⁵	0.4–2 mg/mL ²³ 100 mL* NS , D5W	24 h RT ²³	
				high dose (e.g., 1-12 g/m ² as a single dose) ¹⁸⁻²² : 1000 mL* NS	24 h RT ^{2,23,24}	

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Methotrexate IT Injection ¹⁵ . Only preservative free methotrexate may be administered by the intrathecal route ¹⁵ 50 mg/2mL ²⁵ (Hospira) (RT)(PFL) no preservative ¹⁵	N/A	25 mg/mL ¹⁵	discard unused portion ¹⁵	qs to 6 mL with preservative free NS ²⁶	use within 4 h of initial puncture ^{7,11}	- auxiliary label ²⁷ : "IT" - label to include route in full (i.e., INTRATHECAL injection) attached to both syringe and outer ziplock bag ²⁷
Methotrexate 50 mg/2mL 500 mg/20mL (Hospira) (RT)(PFL) preservative ¹⁵	N/A	25 mg/mL ¹⁵	14 d F ^{28,29}	syringe	14 d F ^{4,16}	- for high-dose regimens (e.g., 1- 12 g/m ² as a single dose) ¹⁸⁻²² : use preservative-free methotrexate ¹¹ - do not use for IT injection
				0.4–2 mg/mL ²³ 100 mL* NS, D5W ¹⁵	24 h RT ²⁸	
Mitomycin 20 mg (Accord) (RT)(PFL) no preservative ³⁰	40 mL SWI ³⁰ shake well ³⁰	0.5 mg/mL ³⁰	6 h RT, 72 h F ³⁰ **(PFL) ³⁰	syringe	6 h RT, 72 h F ³⁰ **(PFL) ³⁰	

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Mitomycin intravesical 20 mg (Accord) (RT)(PFL) no preservative ³⁰	40 mL SWI ³⁰ shake well ³⁰	0.5 mg/mL ³⁰	6 h RT, 72 h F ³⁰ **(PFL) ³⁰	syringe	6 h RT, 72 h F ³⁰ **(PFL) ³⁰	
	10 mL SWI ³¹ shake well ³⁰	2 mg/mL ³¹	use immediately after preparation to prevent precipitation ³²	syringe	use immediately after preparation to prevent precipitation ³²	- may precipitate due to low solubility ^{32,33} - do NOT refrigerate ³²
Mitomycin intraperitoneal 20 mg (Accord) (RT)(PFL) no preservative ³⁰	40 mL SWI ³⁰ shake well ³⁰	0.5 mg/mL ³⁰	6 h RT, 72 h F ³⁰ **(PFL) ³⁰	0.02-0.04 mg/mL ³⁰ NS , sodium lactate ³⁰	NS: 3 h RT, 18 h F ³⁰ sodium lactate: 3 h RT, 6 h F ³⁰	
Mitomycin 20 mg (Teva) (RT)(PFL) no preservative ³⁴	40 mL SWI ³⁴ shake well ³⁴	0.5 mg/mL ³⁴	6 h RT, 72 h F ³⁴ **(PFL) ³⁴	syringe	6 h RT, 72 h F ³⁴ **(PFL) ³⁴	

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	10 mL SWI ³¹ shake well ³⁴	2 mg/mL ³¹	use immediately after preparation to prevent precipitation ³²	syringe	use immediately after preparation to prevent precipitation ³²	- may precipitate due to low solubility ^{32,33} - do NOT refrigerate ³²
Mitomycin intraperitoneal 20 mg (Teva) (RT)(PFL) no preservative ³⁴	40 mL SWI ³⁴ shake well ³⁴	0.5 mg/mL ³⁴	6 h RT, 72 h F ³⁴ **(PFL) ³⁴	0.02-0.04 mg/mL ³⁴ NS , sodium lactate ³⁴	NS: 6 h RT, 18 h F ³⁴ sodium lactate: 6 h RT, F ³⁴	
mitoXANTRONE 20 mg/10 mL (Fresenius Kabi) (RT) no preservative ³⁵	N/A	2 mg/mL ³⁵	discard unused portion ³⁵	NS , D5W ³⁵ Greater than or equal to *50 mL ³⁵	24 h RT ³⁵	

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mitoXANTRONE 20 mg/10 mL 25 mg/12.5 mL (Hospira) (RT)(PFL) no preservative ³⁶	N/A	2 mg/mL ³⁶	discard unused portion ³⁶	0.2-0.6 mg/mL ³⁶ NS, D5W³⁶ Greater than or equal to *50 mL ³⁶	NS: 24 h F, RT ³⁶ **(PFL) ³⁶	
mitoXANTRONE 20 mg/10 mL (Teva/Novopharm) (RT)(PFL) no preservative ³⁷	N/A	2 mg/mL ³⁷	discard unused portion ³⁷	Greater than or equal to *50 mL NS, D5W³⁷	24 h RT ³⁷ **(PFL) ³⁸	
Nivolumab 40 mg/4 mL 100 mg/10 mL (BMS) (F)(PFL) do not shake no preservative ³⁹	N/A	10 mg/mL ³⁹	discard unused portion ³⁹	1-10 mg/mL ³⁹ NS, D5W³⁹ mix by gentle inversion ³⁹	complete administration within 8 h RT or 24 h F ⁴⁰	- administer with a 0.2 to 1.2 micron in-line filter ³⁹ - discard if cloudy or has pronounced colour change (should be clear to pale yellow) ³⁹

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oBINutuzumab 1000 mg/40 mL (Hoffman-La Roche) (F)(PFL) ^{**} do not shake no preservative ⁴¹	N/A	25 mg/mL ⁴¹	discard unused portion ²	100 mg: in 100 mL NS ⁴¹ 900 mg: in 250 mL NS ⁴¹ 1000 mg: in 250 mL NS ⁴¹	24 h F, 48 h RT ^{41,42}	-once removed from the fridge, diluted product is stable for an additional 48 h RT ^{41,42} - do NOT shake ⁴¹ - do NOT use dextrose containing solutions ⁴¹
Octreotide 50 mcg/mL 100 mcg/mL 500 mcg/mL (Omega) (F)(PFL) no preservative ⁴³	N/A	50 mcg/mL ⁴³ 100 mcg/mL ⁴³ 500 mcg/mL ⁴³	Use within 4 h ⁴³	NS ⁴³ volume adjusted to ensure a continuous infusion of octreotide at 25 mcg/hour ⁴³	24 h RT ⁴³	
Octreotide multidose vial: 1000 mcg/5 mL (Omega) (F)(PFL) preservative ⁴³	N/A	200 mcg/mL ⁴³	15 d F ⁴³	NS ⁴³ volume adjusted to ensure a continuous infusion of octreotide at 25 mcg/hour ⁴³	24 h RT ⁴³	

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Octreotide 50 mcg/mL 100 mcg/mL 500 mcg/mL (Teva/Novopharm) (F)(PFL) no preservative ⁴⁴	N/A	50 mcg/mL ⁴⁴ 100 mcg/mL ⁴⁴ 500 mcg/mL ⁴⁴	discard unused portion ⁴⁴	SC syringe ⁴⁴	use within 4 h ⁴⁴	
				infusion: NS ⁴⁴	24 h RT ⁴⁴	
Octreotide multidose vial: 1000 mcg/5 mL (Teva/Novopharm) (F)(PFL) preservative ⁴⁴	N/A	200 mcg/mL ⁴⁴	14 d F ^{29,44}	SC syringe	use within 14 d F ^{29,44}	
				infusion: NS ⁴⁴	24 h RT ⁴⁴	
Octreotide (SANDOSTATIN®) 1000 mcg/5 mL (Novartis) (F)(PFL) preservative ⁴⁵	N/A	200 mcg/mL ⁴⁵	discard unused portion ⁴⁶	50–200 mL NS ^{11,47,48} SC infusion: adjust volume to ensure infusion rate of 25 mcg/h ⁴⁷	24 h RT ⁴⁷	

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Octreotide (SANDOSTATIN LAR®) 10 mg 20 mg 30 mg (Novartis) (F)(PFL) no preservative ⁴⁶	2 mL supplied diluent gently run 2 mL down sides of the vial; do NOT disturb for 2–5 min, then swirl moderately ⁴⁷ record time of reconstitution	10 mg: 5 mg/mL 20 mg: 10 mg/mL 30 mg: 15 mg/mL ⁴⁷	discard unused portion ⁴⁷	deep intragluteal administration only ⁴⁷	use within 4 h of initial reconstitution ^{7,47}	- do NOT shake

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<p>oFatumumab 100 mg/ 5 mL 1000 mg/50 mL (GlaxoSmithKline) (F)(PFL) no preservative⁴⁹</p>	<p align="center">N/A</p>	<p align="center">20 mg/mL⁴⁹</p>	<p align="center">discard unused portion²</p>	<p align="center">1000 mL NS⁴⁹ or alternatively, 2000 mg doses may be supplied in 2 x 500 mL NS⁴⁹ withdraw volume from bag equal to volume of drug to be added⁴⁹</p>	<p align="center">48 h RT⁴⁹</p>	<p>- administer with 0.2 micron in-line filter⁴⁹ - do NOT shake; mix by slow inversion to avoid formation of foam⁴⁹ - solution may contain a small quantity of drug particles; do not administer if solution is cloudy or discoloured⁴⁹</p>
<p>Olaratumab 500 mg/50 mL (Lilly) (F)(PFL) do not shake no preservative⁵⁰</p>	<p align="center">N/A</p>	<p align="center">10 mg/mL⁵⁰</p>	<p align="center">discard unused portion^{2,50}</p>	<p align="center">dilute to a final volume of 250 mL NS⁵⁰ do NOT use D5W or other dextrose containing solutions⁵⁰ gently invert to mix⁵⁰</p>	<p align="center">complete administration within 24 h F, plus an additional 12 h RT⁵⁰</p>	<p>- do NOT shake⁵⁰</p>

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Oxaliplatin 50 mg 100 mg (Actavis) (RT)(PFL) no preservative ⁵¹	50 mg: 10 mL SWI, D5W ⁵¹ 100 mg: 20 mL SWI, D5W ⁵¹	5 mg/mL ⁵¹	discard unused portion ⁵¹	250-500 mL D5W (0.2-0.7 mg/mL) ⁵¹ do NOT use NS or other chloride- containing solutions ⁵¹ do NOT use aluminum-containing needle and syringe ⁵¹	0.2-2 mg/mL: 24 h F ⁵¹	- do NOT use aluminum- containing needle, syringe or tubing ⁵¹
Oxaliplatin 50 mg/10 mL 100 mg/20 mL 200 mg/40 mL (Hospira/Pfizer) (RT) no preservative ⁵²	N/A	5 mg/mL ⁵²	discard unused portion ⁵²	250-500 mL D5W (0.2-0.7 mg/mL) ⁵² do NOT use NS or other chloride- containing solutions ⁵³ do NOT use aluminum-containing needle and syringe ⁵³	0.2-0.4 mg/mL: 24 h RT or 5 d F plus an additional 8 h RT ^{52,54} 0.5–2 mg/mL: 24 h RT or 14 d F plus an additional 8 h RT ^{52,54}	- do NOT use aluminum- containing needle, syringe or tubing ⁵²

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Oxaliplatin 50 mg/10 mL 100 mg/20 mL 200 mg/40 mL (sanofi-aventis) (RT)(PFL) no preservative ⁵⁵	N/A	5 mg/mL ⁵⁵	discard unused portion ⁵⁵	250–500 mL D5W ⁵⁵ (0.2-2 mg/mL) ^{55,56} do NOT use NS or other chloride- containing solutions ⁵⁵ do NOT use aluminum-containing needle and syringe ⁵⁵	0.2-1.3 mg/mL: 48 h RT, 14 d F ^{4,56,57} 1.3-2 mg/mL: 24 h RT, 48 h F ⁵⁵	- do NOT use aluminum- containing needle, syringe or tubing ⁵⁵
Oxaliplatin 50 mg/10 mL 100 mg/20 mL 150 mg/30 mL 200 mg/40 mL (Sandoz) (RT)(PFL) no preservative ⁵³	N/A	5 mg/mL ⁵³	2 d F, RT ^{2,58}	0.2-0.7 mg/mL ⁵³ 250-500 mL D5W ⁵³ do NOT use NS or other chloride- containing solution ⁵³ do NOT use aluminum-containing needle and syringe ⁵³	0.2-2 mg/mL: 24 h RT, 48 h F ⁵³	

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<p>Oxaliplatin 50 mg/10 mL 100 mg/20 mL 200 mg/40 mL (Teva) (RT)(PFL) no preservative⁵⁹</p>	<p align="center">N/A</p>	<p align="center">5 mg/mL⁵⁹</p>	<p align="center">discard unused portion⁵⁹</p>	<p>250-500 mL D5W (0.2-0.7 mg/mL)⁵⁹ do NOT use NS or other chloride- containing solution⁵⁹ do NOT use aluminum-containing needle and syringe⁵⁹</p>	<p align="center">0.2-2 mg/mL: 24 h RT, 48 h F⁵⁹</p>	<p>- do NOT use aluminum- containing needle, syringe or tubing⁵⁹</p>
<p>PACLitaxel 30 mg/5 mL 100 mg/16.7 mL 300 mg/50 mL (Accord) (RT)(PFL) no preservative⁶⁰</p>	<p align="center">N/A</p>	<p align="center">6 mg/ mL⁶⁰</p>	<p>30 mg: 48 h RT^{2,60} 100 mg: 48 h RT^{2,60} 300 mg: 24 h RT⁶⁰</p>	<p>0.3-1.2 mg/mL in NS, D5W, D5NS, D5LR⁶⁰ (e.g., 100-1000 mL)*</p>	<p align="center">complete administration within 27 h RT⁶⁰</p>	<p>- use non-DEHP bag and tubing with 0.22 micron in-line filter⁶⁰ - avoid excessive shaking⁶⁰</p>

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PACLitaxel 30 mg/5 mL 100 mg/16.7 mL 300 mg/50 mL (Biolyse) (RT) ⁶¹ no preservative ⁶²	N/A	6 mg/mL ⁶²	48 h RT ^{2,63}	0.3-1.2 mg/mL in NS , D5W ⁶² (e.g., 100-1000 mL)*	complete administration within 27 h RT ^{62,64}	- use non-DEHP bag and tubing with 0.22 micron in-line filter ⁶²
				0.1 mg/mL in NS ⁶⁵	44 h F , RT ⁶⁵	
				0.012-0.12 mg/mL in NS ⁶⁶	16 h RT ⁶⁴	
				devices with spikes (e.g., chemo dispensing pins) may be used with vials ⁶⁷		
PACLitaxel 30 mg/5 mL 100 mg/16.7 mL 150 mg/25 mL 300 mg/50 mL (Hospira) (RT)(PFL) preservative ⁶⁸	N/A	6 mg/mL ⁶⁹	48 h RT ^{2,69,70}	0.3-1.2 mg/mL in NS , D5W, D5NS, D5LR ⁶⁹ (e.g., 100-1000 mL)*	complete administration within 27 h RT ⁶⁹	- use non-DEHP bag and tubing with 0.22 micron in-line filter ⁶⁹

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PACLitaxel, nanoparticle, albumin- bound (nab) 100 mg (Celgene) (RT)(PFL) no preservative ⁷¹	20 mL NS ⁷¹ - slowly direct diluent against side of vial (i.e., greater than or equal to 1 min) during reconstitution ⁷¹ - let stand for greater than or equal to 5 min to wet powder ⁷¹ - gently swirl or invert for greater than or equal to 2 min ⁷¹	5 mg/mL ⁷¹	use immediately (RT) or 8 h F ⁷¹ **(PFL) ⁷¹	in empty sterile PVC, non-PVC, or non- DEHP infusion bag ⁷¹	48 h F plus an additional 8 h RT ⁷²	- each vial contains 900 mg human albumin ⁷¹ - to prevent foaming, do NOT inject NS directly onto the powder ⁷¹ - some settling may occur; use mild agitation to resuspend ⁷¹ - administer using a 15 micron filter ONLY (NOTE:filters with a pore size less than 15 microns may cause filter blockage) ^{73,74}
Pamidronate 30 mg/10 mL 60 mg/10 mL 90 mg/10 mL (Hospira) (RT) no preservative ⁷⁵	N/A	3 mg/mL 6 mg/mL 9 mg/mL ⁷⁵	discard unused portion ⁷⁵	0.06–0.36 mg/mL NS , D5W ⁷⁵ (e.g., 250 mL* NS) ⁷⁶	24 h F followed by 24 h RT (total 48 h) ⁷⁵ **(PFL) ⁷⁵	- do NOT mix with calcium containing solution (e.g., Ringer's) ⁷⁵

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Pamidronate 30 mg/10 mL 60 mg/10 mL 90 mg/10 mL (Omega) (RT) no preservative ⁷⁷	N/A ⁷⁷	3 mg/mL 6 mg/mL 9 mg/mL ⁷⁷	discard unused portion ⁷⁷	0.06–0.36 mg/mL NS , D5W ⁷⁷ (e.g., 250 mL* NS) ⁷⁶	24 h F followed by 24 h RT (total 48 h) ⁷⁷ **(PFL) ⁷⁷	- do NOT mix with calcium containing solution (e.g., Ringer's) ⁷⁷
Pamidronate 30 mg/10 mL 60 mg/10 mL 90 mg/10 mL (Fresenius Kabi) (RT) no preservative ⁷⁸	N/A	3 mg/mL 6 mg/mL 9 mg/mL ⁷⁸	discard unused portion ⁷⁸	NS ; D5W ⁷⁸ Less than or equal to 0.36 mg/mL ⁷⁸	24 h RT ⁷⁸	- do NOT mix with calcium containing solutions ⁷⁸
Pamidronate 30 mg/10 mL 60mg/10 mL 90 mg/10 mL (Sandoz Canada) RT no preservative ⁷⁹	N/A	3 mg/mL 6 mg/mL 9 mg/mL ⁷⁹	discard unused portion ^{29,79}	NS ; D5W ⁷⁹	24 h RT ⁷⁹	- do NOT mix with calcium containing solution (e.g., Ringer's) ⁷⁹

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PANitumumab 100 mg/5 mL 400 mg/20 mL (Amgen) (F)(PFL) do not shake no preservative ⁸⁰	N/A	20 mg/mL ⁸⁰	discard unused portion ⁸⁰	Less than or equal to 1000 mg: 100 mL NS ⁸⁰ Greater than 1000mg: 150 mL NS ⁸⁰ 1-10mg/mL ^{80,81}	24 h F, 6 h RT ^{80,81}	- administer with 0.2 or 0.22 micron in-line filter ⁸⁰ - solution may contain particulates which do not affect product quality ⁸⁰ - do not administer if discoloured ⁸⁰
pegaspargase (PEG-asparaginase) (pegylated asparaginase E. coli) 3750 units/5 mL (Baxalta) (F)(PFL) no preservative ⁸²	N/A	750 units/mL ⁸²	discard unused portion ⁸²	IM: max volume: 2 mL in children and adolescents; 3 mL in adults if volume greater than above, use multiple sites ⁸²	syringe: discard at end of day ^{2,82}	- discard cloudy solution ⁸² - do NOT shake ⁸² - do not use if stored out of refrigerator for greater than 48 h ⁸³ - do not use if previously frozen ⁸³
				IV: 100 mL NS, D5W ⁸²	bag: complete administration within 48 h F ⁸³ protect bag from direct sunlight during infusion ⁸³	

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Pembrolizumab 100 mg/4 mL (Merck) (F)(PFL) do not shake no preservatives ⁸⁴	N/A	25 mg/mL ⁸⁴	discard unused portion ^{2,84}	1-10 mg/mL NS , D5W ⁸⁴ mix by gentle inversion ⁸⁴	complete administration within 6 h RT, 24 h F ⁸⁴	- use a 0.2 to 5 micron in-line filter ⁸⁴ - allow vials and diluted solutions to come to RT prior to use ⁸⁴ - vials contain 0.25 mL overfill ⁸⁴
Pembrolizumab 50 mg (Merck) (F) no preservative ⁸⁴	2.3 mL SWI ⁸⁴ direct diluent against side of vial during reconstitution to avoid foaming ⁸⁴ allow up to 5 minutes for bubbles to clear ⁸⁴ do NOT shake ⁸⁴	25 mg/mL ⁸⁴	6 h RT, 24 h F ⁸⁴	1-10 mg/mL NS, D5W ⁸⁴ mix by gentle inversion ⁸⁴	complete administration within 6 h RT, 24 h F ⁸⁴	- use 0.2 to 5 micron in-line filter ⁸⁵ - allow reconstituted vials and diluted solutions to come to RT prior to use ⁸⁴ - vials can be at RT for up to 24 h prior to use ⁸⁴ - vials contain 20% overfill ⁸⁴

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Pemetrexed 100 mg 500 mg (Eli Lilly) (RT) no preservative ⁸⁶	100 mg: 4.2 mL preservative- free NS ⁸⁶ 500 mg: 20 mL preservative- free NS ⁸⁶	25 mg/mL ⁸⁶	24 h F, RT ⁸⁶	100 mL preservative-free NS ⁸⁶	24 h F, RT ⁸⁶	- do NOT mix with calcium containing solution (e.g., Ringer's) ⁸⁷
PERTuzumab 420 mg/14 mL (Roche) (F)(PFL) no preservative ⁸⁸	N/A	30 mg/mL ⁸⁸ do NOT shake ⁸⁸	discard unused portion ^{2,88}	250 mL NS only ⁸⁸ mix by gentle inversion to avoid foaming ⁸⁸	24 h F, RT ⁸⁸	- do NOT use dextrose containing solutions ⁸⁸
Plerixafor 24 mg/1.2 mL (sanofi-aventis) (RT) no preservative ⁸⁹	N/A	20 mg/mL ⁸⁹	discard unused portion ⁸⁹	SC syringe ⁸⁹	48 hours RT ^{29,90}	
Porfimer 15 mg 75 mg (Axcan) (RT)(PFL) no preservative ⁹¹	15 mg: 6.6 mL D5W ⁹¹ 75 mg: 31.8 mL D5W ⁹¹ record time of reconstitution	2.5 mg/mL ⁹¹	24 h F **(PFL) ⁹¹	syringe ⁹¹	use within 4 h of initial reconstitution ^{7,92} **(PFL) ⁹¹	- avoid contact with skin and eyes; protect exposed area from light ⁹¹

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Raltitrexed 2 mg (Hospira) (F, RT)(PFL) no preservative ⁹³	4 mL SWI ⁹³	0.5 mg/mL ⁹³	24 h F, RT ⁹³	50–250 mL NS , D5W ⁹³	24 h F, RT ⁹³	
Ramucirumab 100 mg/10 mL 500 mg/50 mL (Eli Lilly) (F)(PFL) (do not shake) no preservative ⁹⁴	N/A	10 mg/mL ⁹⁴	discard unused portion ⁹⁴	250 mL* NS ⁹⁴ (0.4 – 4 mg/mL) ⁹⁵ gently invert to mix ⁹⁴ do NOT shake ⁹⁴	4 h RT, 24 h F ⁹⁴	- use 0.22 micron filter ⁹⁴ - do NOT use dextrose containing solutions ⁹⁴
riTUXimab 100 mg/10 mL 500 mg/50 mL (Roche) (F)(PFL) no preservative ⁹⁶	N/A	10 mg/mL ⁹⁶	discard unused portion ⁹⁶	1-4 mg/mL NS , D5W ⁹⁶ (e.g., 250-500 mL)*	24 h F, 12 h RT ^{97,98}	- once removed from the fridge, compounded product is stable for 12h RT ^{97,98}
riTUXimab subcutaneous 1400 mg/11.7 mL (Roche) (F)(PFL) no preservative ⁹⁹	N/A	120 mg/mL ⁹⁹	discard unused portion ⁹⁹	SC syringe ⁹⁹	48 h F plus 8 h RT ⁹⁹	- contains hyaluronidase ⁹⁹

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romiDEPsin 10 mg (Celgene Inc.) (RT) ¹⁰⁰ no preservative ²	2.2 mL of supplied diluent ^{100,101} swirl gently to mix ¹⁰⁰	5 mg/mL ¹⁰⁰	8 h RT ¹⁰⁰	500 mL NS ¹⁰⁰	24 h RT ¹⁰⁰	- reconstituted solution will be slightly viscous ¹⁰² - vials contain overfill to allow for full drug recovery (drug vial contains 11 mg romidepsin; diluent vial contains 2.4 mL diluent) ¹⁰⁰
Siltuximab 100 mg 400 mg (Janssen) (F)(PFL) no preservative ¹⁰³	100 mg: 5.2 mL SWI ¹⁰³ 400 mg: 20 mL SWI ¹⁰³ allow vial to come to room temperature prior to use (~30 minutes) ¹⁰³ gently swirl, do NOT shake ¹⁰³	20 mg/mL ¹⁰³	2 h RT ¹⁰³	250 mL D5W ¹⁰³ dilute to 250 mL final volume by withdrawing volume from bag equal to volume of drug to be added ¹⁰³	complete administration within 6 h RT ¹⁰³	- use 0.2 micron in- line filter ¹⁰³

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Streptozocin 1g (Pfizer) (F)(PFL) no preservative ¹⁰⁴	9.5mL NS , SWI, D5W ¹⁰⁴	100 mg/mL ¹⁰⁴	48 h F, ¹⁰⁴ 24 h RT	syringe ¹⁰⁴	48 h F, 24 h RT ¹⁰⁴	
				50-500 mL * NS , D5W, SWI ¹⁰⁴	48 h F, 24 h RT ¹⁰⁴	
Temsirolimus 30 mg/1.2 mL (Wyeth) (F)(PFL) ^{105,106} no preservative ¹⁰⁷	1.8 mL supplied diluent ^{105,106}	10 mg/mL ^{105,106}	24 h RT ^{105,106} **(PFL) ¹⁰⁵	250 mL NS ^{105,106}	complete administration within 6 h ^{105,106}	- use non-DEHP bag and tubing with in-line filter ^{105,106}
Teniposide 50 mg/5 mL (BMS) (RT) preservative ¹⁰⁸	N/A	10 mg/mL ¹⁰⁸	discard unused portion	50 – 500 mL NS or D5W for a final concentration of 0.1-1 mg/mL ¹⁰⁸	0.1-0.4 mg/mL: 24 h RT ¹⁰⁸ 1 mg/mL: complete administration within 4 h of preparation RT ^{108,109}	- do not refrigerate - use non-DEHP bag and tubing ¹⁰⁸ - do not use if precipitates ^{108,109} - contains DMA*** - excessive agitation may cause precipitation ¹⁰⁸

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Thiotepa 15 mg (Bedford) (F)(PFL) no preservative ¹¹⁰	1.5 mL SWI ¹¹⁰ filter through 0.22 micron filter ¹¹⁰ record time of reconstitution	10 mg/mL ¹¹⁰	8 h F ¹¹⁰	50 mL * NS ¹¹⁰	use within 4 h of initial reconstitution ^{110,111} **(PFL) ^{110,112}	- do not use if precipitates or remains opaque ¹¹⁰ - do not use for IT injection
				syringe: reconstituted solution is hypotonic and must be further diluted with NS prior to use ¹¹⁰ (final concentration of 0.5-1 mg/ml is nearly isotonic) ¹¹³	use within 4 h of initial reconstitution ^{110,111} **(PFL) ^{110,112}	
Thiotepa IT injection 15 mg (Bedford) (F)(PFL) no preservative ¹¹⁰	diluents containing preservatives should NOT be used for intrathecal administration 1.5 mL SWI ¹¹⁰ filter through 0.22 micron filter ¹¹⁰ record time of reconstitution	10 mg/mL ¹¹⁰	8 h F ¹¹⁰	qs to 6 mL with preservative free NS ¹¹⁴	use within 4 h of initial reconstitution ^{110,111} **(PFL) ^{110,112}	- auxiliary label ²⁶ : "IT" - label to include route in full (i.e., INTRATHECAL injection) attached to both syringe and outer ziplock bag ²⁶ - do not use if precipitates or remains opaque ¹¹⁰

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Thyrotropin alfa 1.1 mg (Genzyme) (F)(PFL) no preservative ¹¹⁵	1.2 mL SWI ¹¹⁵ swirl contents ¹¹⁵ do NOT shake	0.9 mg/mL ¹¹⁵	24 h F ¹¹⁵	syringe ¹¹⁵	24 h F ¹¹⁵	
Topotecan 4 mg (Hospira) (F)(PFL) no preservative ¹¹⁶	N/A	1 mg/mL ¹¹⁶	discard unused portion ¹¹⁷	0.02–0.5 mg/mL ¹¹⁶ 50-100 mL NS , D5W ¹¹⁷	24 h F , RT ¹¹⁶	
Topotecan 4 mg (Mylan) (RT)(PFL) no preservative ¹¹⁸	4 mL SWI ¹¹⁸	1 mg/mL ¹¹⁸	24 h F , RT ¹¹⁸	0.02 – 0.5 mg/mL ¹¹⁸ 50-100 mL NS , D5W ¹¹⁸	24 h F , RT ¹¹⁸	
Topotecan 4 mg/4 mL (Sandoz) (F)(PFL) no preservative ¹¹⁹	N/A	1 mg/mL ¹¹⁹	discard unused portion ¹¹⁹	0.02-0.5 mg/mL 50-100 mL NS , D5W ¹¹⁹	24 h F ¹¹⁹ **(PFL) ¹¹⁹	

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Trastuzumab (HERCEPTIN®) 440 mg (Roche) (F) preservative ¹²⁰	20 mL supplied BWI ¹²⁰ swirl vial gently; allow to stand undisturbed for 5 min ¹²⁰	21 mg/mL ¹²⁰	14 d F ²	250 mL NS only ¹²⁰ do NOT use dextrose containing solutions ¹²⁰	24 h F, RT ¹²⁰	- do NOT shake ¹²⁰

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<p>Trastuzumab Emtansine (KADCYLA®) 100 mg 160 mg (Roche) (F)(PFL) no preservative¹²¹</p>	<p>100 mg vial: 5 mL SWI¹²¹</p> <p>160 mg vial: 8 mL SWI¹²¹</p> <p>swirl gently until completely dissolved</p> <p>do NOT shake¹²¹</p>	<p>20 mg/mL¹²¹</p>	<p>24 h F¹²¹</p> <p>do NOT freeze¹²¹</p>	<p>250 mL NS or 0.45% sodium chloride only¹²¹</p> <p>do NOT shake¹²¹</p>	<p>24 h F¹²¹</p> <p>do NOT freeze¹²¹</p>	<p>- do not use if reconstituted solution contains visible particulates or is cloudy or discolored¹²¹</p> <p>- dextrose 5% solutions cause aggregation of the protein; do not dilute with dextrose containing solutions¹²¹</p> <p>- use a 0.2 micron in-line filter or 0.22 micron polyethersulfane (PES) filter to administer infusions prepared in NS; filter is optional for solutions in 0.45% NS¹²¹</p>

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TRC105 (Carotuximab) 100 mg/4 mL 200 mg/8 mL 400 mg/16 mL (Tracon) (F)(PFL) no preservative ¹²²	N/A	25 mg/mL ¹²²	discard unused portion ²	0.6 – 10 mg/mL NS ¹²³ invert gently to mix	complete infusion within 8 h RT, 24 h F ^{122,123}	- use a 0.2 micron in-line filter for administration ¹²²
Treosulfan 1 g 5 g (medac) (RT) no preservative ¹²⁴	pre-heat SWI to 30°C (not higher) shake vial carefully before adding the warmed SWI 1 g vial: 20 mL SWI, while slightly shaking vial and syringe; continue shaking the reconstituted solution for another 2 min ¹²⁴ 5 g vial: 100 mL SWI, while slightly shaking vial and syringe; continue shaking the reconstituted solution for another 2 min ¹²⁴	50 mg/mL ¹²⁴	48 h RT ^{7,124}	undiluted ¹²⁵ dilute with NS or D5W in empty infusion bag for final concentration = 20 mg/mL ¹²⁴	48 h RT ^{7,124}	- compatible with polytetrafluoroethyl ene filters ¹²⁴ - may require vigorous shaking to reconstitute ¹²⁴

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vinBLAstine 10 mg/10 mL (Hospira) (F)(PFL) no preservative ¹²⁶	N/A	1 mg/mL ¹²⁶	discard unused portion ¹²⁶	25-50 mL NS , D5W ¹²⁷	24 h F , RT ^{128,129}	- auxiliary label: WARNING: FOR INTRAVENOUS USE ONLY – FATAL IF GIVEN BY OTHER ROUTES ^{130,131}
vinBLAstine 10 mg/10 mL (Teva) (F)(PFL) no preservative ¹³²	N/A	1 mg/mL ¹³²	discard unused portion ¹³²	25-50 mL NS , D5W ^{127,133}	use within 4 h of initial puncture ²	- auxiliary label: WARNING: FOR INTRAVENOUS USE ONLY – FATAL IF GIVEN BY OTHER ROUTES ^{130,131}

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vinCRISTine 2 mg/2 mL 5 mg/5 mL (Hospira) (F)(PFL) no preservative ¹³⁴	N/A	1 mg/mL ¹³⁴	8 h F, RT ¹³⁴	50 mL * NS, D5W ¹³⁴	24 h F, 6 h RT ¹³⁴ **(PFL) ¹³⁴	- auxiliary label: WARNING: FOR INTRAVENOUS USE ONLY – FATAL IF GIVEN BY OTHER ROUTES ^{130,131} - for ULYEPOCHR protocol, see entry for EPOCHR (3-in-1 solution containing etoposide, DOXOrubicin, vinCRISTine)

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vinCRISStine 1 mg/1 mL 2 mg/2 mL 5 mg/5 mL (Teva) (F)(PFL) no preservative ¹³⁵	N/A	1 mg/mL ¹³⁵	8 h F, RT ¹³⁵	0.01-0.1 mg/mL NS , D5W ¹³⁵ 25-50 mL NS , D5W ¹³⁶	24 h F, RT ¹³⁵	- auxiliary label: WARNING: FOR INTRAVENOUS USE ONLY – FATAL IF GIVEN BY OTHER ROUTES ^{130,131} - for ULYEPOCHR protocol, see entry for EPOCHR (3-in-1 solution containing etoposide, DOXOrubicin, vinCRISStine)
Vinorelbine 10 mg/1 mL 50 mg/5mL (Fresenius Kabi) (F)(PFL) no preservative ¹³⁷	N/A	10 mg/mL ¹³⁷	discard unused portion ¹³⁷	0.5-2.0 mg/mL ¹³⁷ NS , D5W, ½NS, D5½NS, Ringer's, Ringer's Lactate ¹³⁷	24 h F, RT ¹³⁷	- auxiliary label: WARNING: FOR INTRAVENOUS USE ONLY – FATAL IF GIVEN BY OTHER ROUTES ^{130,131}

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Vinorelbine 10 mg/1 mL 50 mg/5 mL (Hospira) (F)(PFL) no preservative ¹³⁸	N/A	10 mg/mL ¹³⁸	discard unused portion ¹³⁸	0.5–2.0 mg/mL ¹³⁸ 50 mL* NS , D5W, ½NS, D5½NS, Ringer's, Ringer's Lactate ¹³⁸	24 h F , RT ¹³⁸	- auxiliary label: WARNING: FOR INTRAVENOUS USE ONLY – FATAL IF GIVEN BY OTHER ROUTES ^{130,131}
Vinorelbine 10 mg/1 mL 50 mg/5 mL (Teva) (F)(PFL) no preservative ¹³⁹	N/A	10 mg/mL ¹³⁹	discard unused portion ¹³⁹	0.5–2.0 mg/mL ¹³⁹ 50 mL* NS , D5W, ½NS, D5½NS, Ringer's, Ringer's Lactate ¹³⁹	24 h F , RT ¹³⁹	- auxiliary label: WARNING: FOR INTRAVENOUS USE ONLY – FATAL IF GIVEN BY OTHER ROUTES ^{130,131}
Zoledronic acid 4 mg/5 mL (Dr Reddy's) (RT) no preservative ¹⁴⁰	N/A	0.8 mg/mL ¹⁴⁰	discard unused portion ¹⁴⁰	100 mL NS , D5W ¹⁴⁰	complete infusion within 24 h of preparation ¹⁴⁰ Refrigerate diluted product if not used immediately after preparation; bring to RT prior to administration ¹⁴⁰	- do NOT mix with calcium containing solutions ¹⁴⁰

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Zoledronic acid (ZOMETA) 4 mg/ 5 mL (Novartis) (RT) no preservative ¹⁴¹	N/A	0.8 mg/ mL ¹⁴¹	discard unused portion ²	100 mL NS , D5W ¹⁴¹	complete infusion within 24 h of preparation ¹⁴¹ Refrigerate diluted product if not used immediately after preparation; bring to RT prior to administration ¹⁴¹	- do NOT mix with calcium containing solutions ¹⁴¹
Zoledronic acid 4 mg/5 mL (Sandoz) (RT) no preservative ¹⁴²	N/A	0.8 mg/mL ¹⁴²	discard unused portion ¹⁴²	100 ml NS , D5W ¹⁴²	complete infusion within 24 h of preparation ¹⁴² Refrigerate diluted product if not used immediately after preparation; bring to RT prior to administration ¹⁴²	- do NOT mix with calcium- or other divalent cation- containing infusion solutions (e.g., Lactated Ringer's) ¹⁴²

* Suggested volume based on usual dose range and any concentration range of stability data

** Protect from light means minimizing exposure to direct sunlight over a *storage* period. More specific information on protection from light (eg, protecting container and tubing during *administration*) will be indicated in the Under the Special Precautions/Notes column.

*** Contains DMA (N,N dimethylacetamide). Product may be incompatible with closed system transfer devices such as ChemoLock.

Centres are not to change the content locally but should forward suggestions to the Cancer Drug Manual staff.

Explanatory Notes

Stability data assumes products prepared using standard aseptic technique in biological safety cabinet at low risk for contamination according to the classification outlined in USP 797.^{143,144}

Vial stability: Stability of solution after first puncture or reconstituted solution.

Storage temperature: If information states same stability with refrigerator and room temperature storage, then fridge stability is bolded as preferred (ie, to minimize growth of micro-organisms).

Discard unused portion: Unused portion from single use vials should be discarded at the end of the day.

“*overflow known*” is stated if the manufacturer states overflow that is present is within acceptable limits.

“*Complete administration within ___*” is stated if the manufacturer specifies that the infusion must be completed in a specific time frame following preparation, usually including entire time required for preparation (from first puncture), storage, and administration of infusion.

Abbreviations

BWI = bacteriostatic water for injection

CIVI: ambulatory pump = Continuous Intravenous Infusion (e.g., elastomeric infusor)

D5W = dextrose 5% in water

DMA = N,N dimethylacetamide

F = refrigerate

Non-DEHP = not containing Di(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate (DEHP)

NS = normal saline

PFL = protect from light

RT = room temperature

SWI = sterile water for injection

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