**PANCURONIUM BROMIDE**

**BRAND NAME**  | PANCURONIUM INJECTION BP  
**DRUG CLASS**  | Non-depolarising neuromuscular blocker  
**AVAILABILITY**  | Ampoule contains 4 mg/2 mL of pancuronium bromide. Also contains sodium acetate and sodium chloride.  

**WARNING**  
Paralyzing agent - causes respiratory arrest. Facilities for maintenance of airway and a reversal agent must be readily available.

**pH**  
3.5–4.2

**PREPARATION**  
Not required

**STABILITY**  
Ampoule: store at 2 to 8 °C. Do not freeze. Can be kept out of the fridge during periods of normal use in theatre.

Infusion solution: stable for 24 hours at 2 to 8 °C.

**ADMINISTRATION**

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| IV injection | Suitable. Inject undiluted over a few seconds.  
Flush the line after each dose to avoid re-paralysis during recovery. |
| IV infusion | No information |

**COMPATIBILITY**

**Fluids**  
Glucose 5%, glucose 5% in sodium chloride 0.9%, glucose 5% in sodium chloride 0.45%, Hartmann’s, Plasma-Lyte 148 via Y-site, sodium chloride 0.9%

**Y-site**  
Compatibility information is available for concentrations of 0.05–0.1 mg/mL. Consult the pharmacist, pharmacy department or medicines information service for advice.

**INCOMPATIBILITY**

**Fluids**  
No information

**Drugs**  
Caspofungin, furosemide (frusemide), quinine, thiopental sodium

**SPECIAL NOTES**  
Continuous monitoring is required.

**REFERENCES**