

CASIRIVIMAB PLUS IMDEVIMAB

BRAND NAME RONAPREVE

DRUG CLASS Immunoglobulin (IgG1) monoclonal antibody (human), antiviral (SARS-CoV-2)

AVAILABILITY There are **two vials** – use both to prepare the dose.
 one vial contains 1332 mg/11.1 mL of casirivimab (120 mg/mL)
 one vial contains 1332 mg/11.1 mL of imdevimab (120 mg/mL).¹
 The vials are labelled 20 mL, but only contain 11.1 mL.
 Also contain histidine, histidine monohydrochloride monohydrate, polysorbate-80 and sucrose.¹
 The solutions are clear to slightly opalescent and colourless to pale yellow.¹

WARNING The occupational hazard of intermittent low dose exposure to casirivimab and imdevimab is not known. Wear a mask and gloves when preparing the infusion solution to minimise exposure.
 Hypersensitivity reactions including anaphylaxis may occur. Resuscitation facilities must be readily available.¹

pH 6¹

PREPARATION Allow the vials to reach room temperature before use.
For IV infusion:¹
 Add the dose from each vial to 50–250 mL of glucose 5% or sodium chloride 0.9%. Mix by gently inverting the bag. **Do not shake.**

For a dose of **1200 mg (casirivimab 600 mg plus imdevimab 600 mg):**
 withdraw 5 mL of casirivimab from one vial and add to the bag **and then** withdraw 5 mL of imdevimab from the other vial and add to the bag.
 The total volume added to the bag is 10 mL.

For a dose of **600 mg (casirivimab 300 mg plus imdevimab 300 mg):**
 withdraw 2.5 mL of casirivimab from one vial and add to the bag **and then** withdraw 2.5 mL of imdevimab from the other vial and add to the bag.
 The total volume added to the bag is 5 mL.

Dose	Volume of casirivimab		Volume of imdevimab	Total volume
1200 mg casirivimab 600 mg & imdevimab 600 mg	5 mL	plus	5 mL	10 mL
600 mg casirivimab 300 mg & imdevimab 300 mg	2.5 mL	plus	2.5 mL	5 mL

For higher doses, contact your pharmacist or medicines information service for advice.

For subcutaneous injection:¹

Withdraw the dose into 3 mL or 5 mL syringes.
 For a **1200 mg dose**, use 2 syringes of 2.5 mL each of casirivimab **plus** 2 syringes of 2.5 mL each of imdevimab. A total of 4 syringes.
 For a **600 mg dose**, use 1 syringe of 2.5 mL of casirivimab **plus** 1 syringe of 2.5 mL of imdevimab. A total of 2 syringes.

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STABILITY	<p>Vials: store at 2 to 8 °C. Do not freeze. Protect from light.¹</p> <p>Multi-dose vials only: after initial puncture, and if local protocols allow, stable for 16 hours at 25 °C or 48 hours at 2 to 8 °C.¹</p> <p>Infusion solution: stable for 12 hours at 25 °C. If prepared by pharmacy under aseptic conditions, stable for 48 hours at 2 to 8 °C.¹</p> <p>Prepared syringes for subcutaneous use: stable for 6 hours at 25 °C or 24 hours at 2 to 8 °C.¹</p> <p>For the first batch of stock supplied in Australia – the shelf life of the vials is 12 months.²</p>
ADMINISTRATION	
IM injection	Not recommended.
SUBCUT injection	Suitable for post-exposure prophylaxis. IV infusion is preferred for a treatment dose. ¹ See PREPARATION. Inject each 2.5 mL, one after the other, into different sites. The upper thigh, upper outer arm and abdomen are suitable sites. ¹
IV injection	Not recommended
IV infusion	See PREPARATION. Infuse over 20 to 30 minutes. Use a 0.2–5 micrometre filter. ¹
COMPATIBILITY	
Fluids	Glucose 5% ¹ , sodium chloride 0.9% ¹
Y-site	Do not mix with other medicines
INCOMPATIBILITY	No information
SPECIAL NOTES	<p>Monitor for possible anaphylactic and infusion reactions during the infusion and for one hour after the infusion.</p> <p>Infusion reactions include nausea, chills, dizziness, itching, rash and flushing and most commonly occur within 24 hours of the infusion.¹</p> <p>For mild to moderate infusion reactions, slow or stop the infusion and treat accordingly.¹</p> <p>Anaphylactic reactions are rare but are a medical emergency. Stop the infusion and commence treatment immediately.¹</p> <p>Pain, redness and itching at the injection site are common with subcutaneous injection. Dizziness may occur.¹</p>

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