



REGIONAL ADULT PARENTERAL DRUG MONOGRAPH

GENERIC NAME
nalbuphine

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| Effective Date: Mar9-2016 Revised Date: Reviewed Date: Sept 12 2018 | CLASSIFICATION Narcotic Agonist/Antagonist | OTHER NAMES Nubain | PAGE 1 of 1 |
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ADMINISTRATION POLICY:
 IV Injection – May be administered by a nurse

RECONSTITUTION/DILUTION/ADMINISTRATION:
Available as: 10 mg/mL, 1 mL amps and 10 mL vials

IV Bolus: Undiluted over 1 to 2 minutes

Maximum rate: over 1 to 2 minutes

Maximum concentration: 10 mg/mL

DOSAGE:
Usual:
 Epidural or Spinal Related Pruritis: 1.25 to 5 mg every 2 to 6 hours PRN

Maximum single dose: 5 mg

Maximum daily dose: 60 mg

STABILITY/COMPATIBILITY:

Compatibility(PARTIAL LISTING ONLY): Compatible with D5W, D10W, normal saline, dextrose-saline solutions, Lactated Ringer

PRECAUTIONS, POTENTIAL ADVERSE REACTIONS:

- Respiratory depression, sedation, sweating, nausea/vomiting, dizziness, vertigo, dry mouth, headache

ADDITIONAL NOTES AND NURSING CONSIDERATIONS:

- Dosage adjustment may be required in patients with renal/hepatic dysfunction.
- May precipitate withdrawal symptoms in narcotic-dependent individuals
- Use with caution in sulfite sensitive patients (may cause headaches)
- Used for the treatment of pruritis, nausea and vomiting related to epidural or spinal administration of narcotic analgesia.