



# REGIONAL PEDIATRIC PARENTERAL DRUG MONOGRAPH

GENERIC NAME

**ketorolac**

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**ADMINISTRATION POLICY:**

- IV Bolus – May be administered by a nurse
- IV Intermittent – May be administered by a nurse
- IM Injection – May be administered by a nurse

**RECONSTITUTION/DILUTION/ADMINISTRATION:**

**Available as:** 30 mg/mL

NOTE: manufacturer’s label reads “for IM use” but the product may be given IV

**IV Bolus:** May be given undiluted and administered over 1 to 3 minutes

**Intermittent:** Dilute in normal saline and administer over 15 to 30 minutes

**IM:** Undiluted and use DEEP intramuscular injection

**DOSAGE:**

**IV bolus, IM:** 1 mg/kg

**IV intermittent:** 0.5 mg/kg/dose every 6 hours x 48 hours

**Renal impairment:** decrease dose – CrCl 10 to 50 mL/minute/1.73 m<sup>2</sup> – 50%  
CrCl less than 10 mL/minute/1.73 m<sup>2</sup> – 25 to 50%

**Maximum single dose:** 60 mg

**Maximum daily dose:** 120 mg

**Maximum concentration :** IV bolus/IM: 30 mg/mL

**STABILITY/COMPATIBILITY:**

**Stability of final admixture:** 24 hours at room temperature

**Compatibility:** Compatible with D5W, normal saline, dextrose-saline solutions, Lactated Ringer



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## **PRECAUTIONS, POTENTIAL ADVERSE REACTIONS:**

Adverse effects are mild, but increase in severity and frequency with use of high doses, therapy greater than 5 to 7 days, and in young children less than 1 year

- Hypersensitivity: anaphylactoid reactions; (rare) anaphylaxis including bronchospasm, laryngeal edema
- CNS: headache (17%), somnolence (3 to 14%), drowsiness (3 to 9%)
- GI: diarrhea (3 to 9%); less than 3% - constipation, flatulence, vomiting; less than 1% (IM) – melena, rectal bleeding, stomatitis, GI bleeding
- Hemat: increased bleeding time; bruising (rare even with IM); thrombocytopenia (rare)
- Renal: renal impairment with increased BUN and sCr (chronic use)

## **CAUTION**

- renal impairment – dosage adjustment required
- hepatic impairment
- product contains alcohol; may interact with other medications such as metronidazole

## **CONTRAINDICATION**

- pre-existing coagulopathy or thrombocytopenia – increased risk of bleeding
- hypersensitivity to ketorolac or other NSAID (i.e. ASA, ibuprofen)

## **ADDITIONAL NOTES AND NURSING CONSIDERATIONS:**

- Due to risk of significant GI bleeding, ketorolac therapy should be limited to a total of 2 days
- May inhibit platelet aggregation and prolong bleeding time; effect on platelet function is transient and usually returns to normal within 24 to 48 hours after discontinuing therapy (may be longer in infants and toddlers)