

Bupivacaine

Essential medicine status

General description

Bupivacaine is a local anaesthetic used for infiltration anaesthesia, peripheral and sympathetic nerve block, spinal anaesthesia and postoperative pain relief.

INN

Bupivacaine

ATC codes

[N01BB01](#)

Medicine type

Chemical agent

EML status history

First added in 1977 ([TRS 615](#)) for [Local anaesthetics](#)

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Recommendations

Section

Local anaesthetics

- Parenteral > Locoregional injections > Spinal anaesthesia: 0.5% in 4 mL ampoule (hydrochloride) + 8% glucose solution
- Parenteral > General injections > unspecified: 0.25% (hydrochloride); 0.5% (hydrochloride)

Indications

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