## Usual Diluents

NS, D₅W, LR.

## Standard Dilution [Amount of drug] [Infusion volume] [Infusion rate]:

Dilute in 100-1000 mL NS, D₅W for infusion.

Due to calcium content, do not administer I.V. solutions at a rate >160 mg/minute; not intended for intrathecal use.

Refer to individual protocols. Should be administered I.M., I.V. push, or I.V. infusion (15 minutes to 2 hours). Leucovorin should not be administered concurrently with methotrexate. It is commonly initiated 24 hours after the start of methotrexate. Toxicity to normal tissues may be irreversible if leucovorin is not initiated by ~40 hours after the start of methotrexate.

As a rescue after folate antagonists: Administer by I.V. bolus, I.M., or orally.

In combination with fluorouracil: Fluorouracil activity, the fluorouracil is usually given after, or at the midpoint, of the leucovorin infusion. Leucovorin is usually administered by I.V. bolus injection or short (10-120 minutes) I.V. infusion. Other administration schedules have been used; refer to individual protocols.

## Reconstitution

Powder for injection: Reconstitute with SWFI or BWFI. When doses >10 mg/m² are required, reconstitute using sterile water for injection, not a solution containing benzyl alcohol.

## Stability / Miscellaneous

Powder for injection: Store at room temperature of 25°C (77°F). Protect from light. Solutions reconstituted with bacteriostatic water for injection U.S.P., must be used within 7 days. Solutions reconstituted with SWFI must be used immediately. Parenteral admixture is stable for 24 hours stored at room temperature (25°C) and for 4 days when stored under refrigeration (4°C).