

Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario Pharmacy Department

AMIODARONE 5 mg/mL ORAL SUSPENSION

Date Prepared: / / 20	LOT: NS
Expiry Date: / / 20	Final Checked By:

INGREDIENTS	MFR	LOT#	EXPIRY DATE	FORMULA QUANTITY	QUANTI TY USED	PREPARED	CHECKED
Amiodarone 200 mg tablets	Teva			2.5 tablets			
Methylcellulose 1%	CHEO			50 mL			
Simple Syrup 85%				QS to 100 mL			

Risk Summary:

Always follow policies & procedures for risk assessment/NAPRA level as determined by your own pharmacy department.

Equipment and PPE:

- Mortar and pestle
- Graduated cylinder
- Glass stirring rod
- Standard CHEO Level B PPE (hair bonnet, mask, +/- beard cover, clean gown and nitrile gloves)

Procedure:

Always follow departments training protocols and policies and procedures that are currently in place.

- 1. Measure the volume needed of methylcellulose 1% in a graduated cylinder.
- 2. Place tablets in mortar and pour a small amount of methylcellulose over the tablets before levigating.
- **3.** Using the pestle, levigate tablets to create a smooth paste.
- **4.** Continue to levigate, adding methylcellulose in small amounts until the product is liquid enough to transfer to a graduated cylinder.
- 5. Rinse mortar several times with the leftover methylcellulose and add product to the graduated cylinder.
- **6.** QS to final volume with the simple syrup.
- **7.** Stir well and transfer to amber glass or plastic bottle. Label bottle appropriately.
- 8. Before washing, rinse equipment into medication disposal bin, and not directly into sink.

Quality Control:

- Final Appearance: white (may have slight pink tinge from tablets) suspension
- Packaging: amber glass or plastic bottle(s)
- Storage & BUD: 14 days room temperature, 42 days refrigerated*.

 (* when refrigerated for 90 days, as in original recipe, product settles into sticky, unsuspendable residue)



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Sample Label:

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AMIODARONE 5 mg/mL Oral Suspension

SHAKE WELL. REFRIGERATE.

Quantity:

LOT: Expiry:

Reference(s):

• Nahata, MC. Stability of amiodarone in an oral suspension stored under refrigeration and at room temperature. Ann Pharmacother. 07/1997, Volume 31, Issue 7, pp. 851 - 852

Formulation Review:

Master Sheet Revision Dates: 17 Apr 03; 03 Nov 04; 02 Mar 06; April 2019; Jan 2021.