

ONDANSETRON (ZOFRAN®)

THERAPEUTIC EFFECTS	Reduces nausea and vomiting. Ondansetron is a selective 5-HT ₃ receptor antagonist. The mechanism of action has not been fully characterized.
INDICATIONS	Nausea and vomiting
CONTRAINDICATIONS	Hypersensitivity to ondansetron
PRECAUTIONS/SIDE EFFECTS	<p>Rare cases of the following have been reported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Angina ✓ Constipation ✓ Rash ✓ Extrapyrmidal reactions <p>Oral administration should not be substituted for IV hydration when the patient's history, symptoms, and clinical findings indicate the need for IV fluids.</p>
ADULT DOSAGE/ROUTE	Administer 4 mg IV/IM undiluted. May repeat once after 15 minutes.* The rate of IV administration should NOT be less than 30 seconds and preferably over 2-5 minutes. Available in 2 ml single dose vials at a concentration of 2 mg/ml.
PEDIATRIC DOSAGE/ROUTE	Administer 4 mg undiluted IV/IM, for children weighing > 40 kg . May repeat once after 15 minutes. 0.1 mg/kg IV for pediatric patients weighing < 40 kg . The rate of IV administration should not be less than 30 seconds and preferably over 2-5 minutes.

*May be given orally with an oral dissolving tablet (ODT) placed under the tongue at a dose of 4-8 mg for adults and children >40 lbs at a dose of 4 mg.