

Answer on Question #54436 – Chemistry – General chemistry

Question:

Rx: Cefuroxime 2 g powder for injection

Add 19.2 diluent (2 g/ 20 ml)

75 mg/kg /day divided q 12 h

Patient weights 45 lb

How many milliliters of active ingredient should you inject into the IV bag?

Answer.

$$45 \text{ lb} = 45 \times 0.454 = 20.43 \text{ kg.}$$

$$\text{Per day: } 20.43 \times 75 = 1532 \text{ mg.}$$

$$\text{Per 12 hours: } \frac{1532}{2} = 766 \text{ mg.}$$

$$\frac{2000 \text{ mg}}{20 \text{ ml}} = \frac{766 \text{ mg}}{x \text{ ml}} \quad \text{so } x = \frac{766 \times 20}{2000} = 7.66 \text{ ml.} \approx 8 \text{ ml.}$$

You should inject 8 ml.