



NEONATAL MEDICATION PROTOCOLS

VITAMIN E (d-alpha tocopherol acetate)
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DRUG:	VITAMIN E (d-alpha tocopherol acetate)
PRESENTATION:	Oral Solution: 115mg/mL equivalent to 156 international units/mL (IU/mL)
ACTION & INDICATION:	Fat soluble vitamin for vitamin E deficiency or as a supplement in patients receiving erythropoietin therapy.
DOSE:	5 -25 IU daily (0.03mL – 0.16mL daily)
ADMINISTRATION:	Oral. May be diluted with feeds. Do not administer at the same time as ferrous sulphate mixture as iron absorption may be impaired.
ADVERSE EFFECTS:	Gastrointestinal disturbance Rash Necrotising enterocolitis with high oral doses.
REFERENCES:	Neofax 2013, BNF for Children 2013
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