

CH02-024 Half-Time and Time to Steady State

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Test	Half Life	Time to Steady State*	Other Comments and References
Amikacin	2-3 hours	~1 day	Collect trough and post/peak specimens when at steady state (~1 day: prolonged with impaired renal function); expert opinion. (Baselt 2008)
Amiodarone	35-68 days	26-107 days	(Baselt 2008)
Amitriptyline/Nortriptyline	15-90 hours (Nortrip)	4-19 days	(Baselt 2008)
Carbamazepine	5-26 hours	2-6 days	(Baselt 2008)
Clobazam/Norclobazam	30-80 hours	7-17 days	(Baselt 2008)
Clomipramine/ Desmethylclomipramine	54-77 hours (DMC)	12-16 days	(Truven 2017)
Clonazepam	19-60 hours	4-13 days	(Baselt 2008)
Clozapine	6-17 hours	2-4 days	(Baselt 2008)
Cyclosporine	6-27 hours	2-6 days	(Baselt 2008)
Desipramine	12-54 hours	3-12 days	(Baselt 2008)
Digoxin	30-45 hours	6-10 days	(Baselt 2008)
Doxepin/nordoxepin	28-52 hours (DMD)	6-11 days	(Truven 2017)
Ethosuximide	25-60 hours	6-13 days	(Truven 2017)
Gentamicin	2-4 hours	~1 day	For traditional dosing, collect trough and post/peak specimens when at steady state (~1 day: prolonged with impaired renal function). For 7 mg/Kg dosing, collect after first dose (8h after infusion start). For 5-6 mg/Kg dosing, collect just before second dose: expert opinion. (Truven 2017)
Imipramine/Desipramine	12-54 hours (desipramine)	3-12 days	(Baselt 2008)
Lamotrigine	12-62 hours	3-13 days	(Baselt 2008)
Lithium	17-58 hours	4-12 days	(Baselt 2008)

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Methadone	15-55 hours	4-12 days	(Baselt 2008)
Methotrexate	16-29 hours (high dose)	Not relevant clinically	(Baselt 2008)
Mycophenolate (MPA)	9-17 hours	2-4 days	(Baselt 2008)
Nitrazepam	17-48 hours	4-10 days	(Baselt 2008)
Nortriptyline	15-90 hours	4-19 days	(Baselt 2008)
Pentobarbital	15-48 hours	4-10 days*	Monitoring should NOT be done more frequently than once/24h after cessation of thiopental therapy.
Phenobarbital	2-6 days	10-30 days	(Baselt 2008)
Phenytoin	8-60 hours (dose dependent)	2-13 days	(Baselt 2008)
Phenytoin-free	See phenytoin.	See phenytoin.	
Primidone (includes	2-6 days	10-30 days	
phenobarbital)	(phenobarbital)	(phenobarbital)	
Procainamide (and NAPA)	5-9 hours (NAPA)	1-2 days	(Truven 2017)
Salicylate	3-20 hours (dose dependent)	Not relevant clinically	(Baselt 2008)
Sirolimus (rapamycin)	46-86 hours (mean ~66 h)	10-18 days	(Baselt 2008)
Tacrolimus	12-30 hours	3-7 days	(Baselt 2008)
Teriflunomide (leflunomide metabolite)	4-28 days	20-140 days	(Truven 2017)
Theophylline	3-11 hours	1-3 days	(Baselt 2008)
Tobramycin	2-4 hours	~1 day	For traditional dosing, collect trough/peak when at steady state (~1 day: prolonged with impaired renal function). For 7 mg/Kg dosing, collect after first dose (8h after infusion start). For 5-6 mg/Kg dosing, collect just before second dose: expert opinion. (Truven 2017)
Trimipramine/desmethyl- trimipramine	16-39 hours	4-9 days	(Baselt 2008)
Valproate (Valproic Acid)	8-12 hours	2-3 days	(Baselt 2008)
Vancomycin	3-8 hours	1-2 days	(Baselt 2008)

^{*} Based on five half-lives and on normal renal or hepatic function (will be prolonged in patients with impaired function)

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