



Pamidronate (Aredia®) for bone pain

Drug Name: Aredia®

Generic Name: pamidronate

Purpose: Pamidronate is used to lessen bone pain and lower the risk of bone fractures.

Form: Intravenous (IV)

How to take:

- Pamidronate is given intravenously (into a vein)
- Pamidronate is given over 2 to 4 hours
- You will get Pamidronate every 3 to 4 weeks

Possible Side Effects:

- Fever within the first 3 days after your treatment
- A drop in your levels of calcium, phosphorus, magnesium, and potassium. Your doctor will check your levels on a regular basis. You may feel:
 - muscle twitching
 - palpitations (irregular and/or forceful beating of your heart)
 - numbness and/or tingling in fingers and toes

Call your doctor **immediately** if you experience any of these symptoms

- You may experience:
 - Upset stomach
 - Loss of appetite
 - Pain in your belly
 - Nausea or vomiting
- In rare cases you may feel:
 - Fatigue (a tired feeling)
 - Muscle weakness
 - Bone pain