

# Veklury® (remdesivir) Handling and Precautions

This document is in response to your request for information regarding Veklury® (remdesivir [RDV]) handling and precautions.

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## RDV Handling and Precautions<sup>1</sup>

RDV is not considered a hazardous drug as defined by National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) and American Society of Health System Pharmacists (ASHP) hazard classification systems. RDV can be prepared in a standard pharmacy setting. A clean room, fume hood, or laminar flow clean bench is not required for the preparation of RDV. Standard personal protective equipment (PPE) including disposable gloves and lab coat should be used for handling and administering RDV. Aseptic technique should be used where appropriate during handling, preparation, and administration.

#### **Disposal**

Any unused medicinal product or waste material should be disposed of in accordance with local requirements. Follow applicable procedures and policies for pharmaceutical waste disposal for materials contaminated with RDV.

#### Breakage of glass vials containing RDV

Suitable PPE, including disposable chemical resistant gloves, should be worn during cleanup. Surround the spill or powder with absorbents and cover the area with a damp cloth or towel. Add excess liquid to spilled powder to minimize entry of powder into the air. Place spill materials into leak-proof container for disposal in accordance with applicable pharmaceutical waste disposal regulations. Decontaminate the area twice with water and detergent solution. Do not attempt to pick up broken glass with hands. Use forceps, tweezers, or other suitable tools for cleanup of broken glass.

#### Spillage of solutions containing RDV

Standard PPE, including disposable gloves and lab coat, should be worn during cleanup. Remove any visible spillage with clean, dry paper towels. Place spill materials into leak-proof container for disposal in accordance with applicable pharmaceutical waste disposal regulations. Clean the affected area twice with water, followed by one cleaning with a suitable detergent solution.

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## Reference

1. Gilead Sciences Inc. Data on File.

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