

MANUFACTURING PROBLEMS AS OF 15th May 2018



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Dumfries and Galloway on the date displayed and may not apply to other regions.**

Drug	Manufacturer	Brand Name	Comments	Suggested Alternatives	Date of first reported issue
Alphaderm Cream	Alliance Pharma	n/a	Out of stock - No date as yet		
Aerochamber plus mouthpiece , plus adultmask , plus childmask	TM-UK	n/a	no longer being distributed via GSK - FROM 1ST January TM-UK will only distribute via AAH- stocks may be available via Alliance until stocks run out		31/01/2018
Alprostodil Injection 125microgram	Meda	n/a	Out of Stock - Expected late June early July 2018	see BNF p784 for alternatives	15/05/2018
Alprostodil Injection 250microgramme	Meda	n/a	Out of Stock - Expected end of June 2018	see BNF p784 for alternatives	15/05/2018
Alprostodil Injection 1000microgramme	Meda	n/a	Out of Stock - Expected end of June early July 2018	see BNF p784 for alternatives	15/05/2018
Antepsin Tablets 1 g	Chunghai Pharma	n/a	Out of Stock - No date as yet		15/05/2018
Antepsin Suspension 1g/5ml	Chunghai Pharma	n/a	Out of Stock - No date as yet		15/05/2018
Anusol- All products	Church & Dwight UK Ltd	n/a	No longer marketed by Mcneil Products Ltd - May be delays in supply chain	Advise patient to buy alternative	
Audavate Rd 0.025% Cream	Auden Mckenzie	n/a	Out of Stock - Expected start of June 2018		

Bactroban Cream 15g	GSK	n/a	Out of stock raw ingredient issue- Expected Quarter 4 2018	Ointment is available	
Bactroban Nasal	GSK	n/a	Out of stock - raw Ingredient Issue - Expected Late May 2018		31/01/2018
Bettamouse Cutaneous Foam	Focus Pharmaceuticals	n/a	Out of Stock - Expected end of 2018		
Capozide Tablets	Bristol-Myers Squibb Pharmaceuticals Ltd	n/a	Discontinued		02/05/2018
Capoten 25mg Tablets	Bristol-Myers Squibb Pharmaceuticals Ltd	n/a	Discontinued		02/05/2018
Colestyramine sachets x 50	Teva	n/a	Out of stock - Quality Issue - Until Q3 2018	Questran Sachets available (formulary choice)	
Colifoam Enema	Meda	n/a	Out of Stock - Expected Mid 2018		
Cutivate Ointment 15g	GSK	n/a	Out of Stock - Expected Early June 2018		
Cutivate Cream 15g	GSK	n/a	Out of stock - No date as yet	non formulary use alternative steroid cream	15/05/2018
Cyclimorph 10 Injection	Concordia	n/a	Out- of Stock - NO date as yet	Other Strengths available	
Diamox Sr 250mg Prolonged Release Capsules	Concordia	n/a	Out of stock - Expected by Q2 2018	Azetazolamide Normal Release Available	
Dilzem Sr 60mg , 90mg & 120mg Cap	Teva	n/a	Discontinued	use other brand	
Dilzem XL 120mg	Teva	n/a	Out of Stock - Expected May 2018	use other brand	
Diprosalic Scalp	MSD	n/a	Out of Stock - Expected end of May 2018		

Distamine 250mg Tablets	Alliance Pharma	n/a	Discontinued	125mg Tablets available	
Engerix B Vials & PFS	GSK	n/a	Out of Stock - Please refer to Vaccines Supply Information for further details		
Epipen 300microgram	Meda	n/a	Epipen 300microgram - Available via Alliance only - Need to fax anonymised Rx to Alliance Fax no 0203 0448996 with Alliance acc. no - 2 Epipen per Rx will be issued via Alliance within 2 working days. No date for issue to be totally resolved.		
Erythromycin 2% Solution x 50ml	GSK	Stiemycin	Discontinued		
Haloperidol 5mg Tablets	Teva	n/a	Out of Stock - Expected end of March 2018		31/01/2018
Hepatyrix VACCINE	GSK	n/a	Discontinued due to Manufacturing Difficulties		31/01/2018
Hydrocortisone 100mg/ml Injection	Concordia	n/a	Out of Stock - Long term Issue - Expected Quarter 3 2018	Solu - Cortef Available	20/04/2018
Hydrocortisone 500mg/5ml Injection	Concordia	n/a	Out of stock - Long term Issue - No date as yet	Solu - Cortef Available	20/04/2018
Isopto Alkaline eye drop 10ml	Alcon	n/a	Discontinued by supplier		17/07/2017
Isotrex Gel x 30g	GSK	n/a	Discontinued		
Jext 300microgram	ALK- Abello	n/a	Out of stock - No date as yet	Jext 150microgram available or see as above for Epipen	09/05/2018

Lacri-Lube Eye Ointment	Allergan	n/a	Out of Stock - No date as yet	use Xailin night	
Locoid Cream 30g & 100g	Leo Pharma	n/a	Out of stock - No date as yet	Use alternative formulary	
Maxidex Eye Drops 10ml	Novartis	n/a	Out of stock - No date as yet	use generic dexamethasone 0.1%	
Navispare Tablet	Amco / Mercury	n/a	Discontinued		
Nystaform HC Ointment	Typharm Ltd	n/a	Discontinued	Generic Available	20/04/2018
Opticrom Eye Drops	Sanofi	n/a	Out of Stock - No date as yet	Generic Available	01/02/2018
Orphenadrine 50mg Tablets	Teva	n/a	Teva have Discontinued -		
Pavacol D	Alliance Pharma	n/a	Discontinued- Both 300ml & 600ml	Sugar Free Pholcodine Linctus	
Phenindione 50mg Tablet	Concordia	n/a	Discontinued	10mg & 25mg Available	17/07/2017
Polyfax Ointment	Pliva	n/a	Discontinued		01/02/2018
Ponstan 250mg	Chemidex	n/a	Out of stock - No date as yet	Generic Available	13/12/2017
Ponstan Forte 500mg	Chemidex	n/a	Out of stock - No date as yet	Generic Available	03/12/2017
Potassium Chloride 600mg SR Tablets	Alliance Pharma	Slow K	Discontinued by Alliance Pharma		
Premique tablets 0.625mg/5mg	Pfizer	n/a	Discontinued		
Premique low dose	Pfizer	N/a	Out of stock - No date as yet	Use alternative formulary	13/12/2017
Prempak-C 0.625mg & 1.25mg	Pfizer	n/a	Discontinued both strengths		
Quinapril 10mg Tablets	Various	n/a	Out of stock - No date as yet	Use Lisinopril	20/04/2018
Quinaderm 5% cream x 50g	Alliance Pharma	N/A	Raw material problem - Not expected until 2019	Use alternative Benzyl Peroxide	
Quinaderm 10% cream 25g & 50g	Alliance Pharma	n/a	Raw material problem - Not expected until 2019	Use alternative Benzyl Peroxide	
Respontin Nebules 1ml & 2ml	GSK	n/a	Discontinued		

Synalar Cream	Reig Jofre UK Ltd	n/a	Out of Stock - Expected end of 2018	Use alternative formulary	20/04/2018
Testogel 50mg/eg gel Sachets	Besins Healthcare	n/a	Out of stock - No date as yet	Testogel 16.2mg/g gel pum available- One gram of gel contains 16.2 mg testosterone. One pump actuation delivers 1.25 g of gel containing 20.25 mg of testosterone.	
Traxam Pain Relief 3% gel 100g	Concordia	n/a	Out of stock - Technical Issue - expected Quarter 4 2018	non formulary use ibuprofen gel	
Traxam 3% gel 30g	concordia	n/a	Out of stock - Technical Issue - expected Quarter 4 2018	non formulary use ibuprofen gel	
Trimovate Cream 30g	Ennogen	N/A	Out of Stock - This product has been divested to Ennogen Healthcare - No date as yet of availability	Consider alternative eg. Fucibet	16/06/2017
Typherix Vaccine 1 & 10 PFS	GSK	n/a	This product has been discontinued due to Manufacturing Problems		07/08/2017
Vardenafil 10mg	Various	n/a	Out of Stock - Expected June 2018	use sildenafil	15/05/2018
Venlafaxine 37.5mg & 75mg Standard Release Tablets	Various	n/a	Intermittent Supply		
Xylocaine 10% Spray	Aspen	n/a	Out of stock - No date as yet		20/04/2018
Zantac Tablets 300mg	GSK	n/a	Out of Stock - Expected early June 2018	Switch to generic	