

# **Medicines management bulletin**

**Product updates and profile management** 

### Latest Library content – April 2025

The following recommendations have been added to the Content Manager Library tab.

#### **KINES UK National Library:**

Subject	Source	Number of products/ messages	
<b>SABA Inhalers</b> – For new diagnoses of asthma, NICE NG245 recommends use of a low-dose ICS/formoterol combination inhaler	CPE	4 (new) 7 (updated)	
Medicines supply notifications	Source	Number of products/ messages	
<b>Proximin (Colistimethate 1-million unit powder for nebuliser solution unit dose vials)</b> – Discontinued from May 2025	NPSA	2 (new)	
<b>Lopidine (Apraclonidine 5mg/ml (0.5%) eye drops)</b> – Out of stock until early September 2025	CPE	2 (new)	
<b>Triamcinolone acetonide 10mg/ml (Adcortyl<sup>®</sup> ampoules) and</b> <b>40mg/ml (Kenalog<sup>®</sup> vials)</b> – Being discontinued with stock expected to be exhausted by early June 2025	CPE	4 (new)	
<b>Estradiol (Estradot<sup>°</sup>) transdermal patches</b> – Availability from April until July 2005	CPE	3 (new) 7 (updated)	
<b>Levofloxacin 250mg and 500mg tablets</b> – Limited supply until April/May 2025	CPE	2 (updated)	
<b>Desmopressin 10microgram/dose nasal spray</b> – Out of stock until September 2025	CPE	1 (updated)	
Seroxat 10mg, 20mg and 30mg – Being discontinued	CPE	3 (updated)	
<ul> <li>Supply notifications deleted:</li> <li>Torasemide 10mg tablet</li> <li>Isosorbide mononitrate 40mg</li> <li>Ipratropium bromide 250 and 500mcg nebuliser</li> <li>Diclofenac 0.1% eye drops (Voltarol Ophtha)</li> </ul>	CPE	6 (deleted)	

### **Cost-effectiveness updates**

#### NCSO price concessions granted in England and Wales for April 2025\* (from CPE)

This list shows the top 30 concessions by estimated impact. If a product has multiple pack sizes with concessions, we have only included the concession with the biggest potential impact. The full and most up to date list of products and price concessions can be found on the CPE website. Please note these price concessions are not incorporated into the ScriptSwitch Prescribing pop up or reporting data.

Estimated impact on spend is based on the concession price increase and the number of prescriptions for each product logged by ScriptSwitch Prescribing across our UK customer base during the last 30 days to date\*.

Product	Pack Size	DT price (Apr 25)	Concession price	£ Increase	% Increase	Estimated impact on spend
Tacrolimus 0.1% ointment	60	£37.56	£47.28	£9.72	26%	£49,368
Fusidic acid 1% modified-release eye drops	5	£14.58	£35.00	£20.42	140%	£33,366
Trimethoprim 50mg/5ml oral suspension sugar free	100	£3.38	£5.99	£2.61	77%	£15,323
Duloxetine 60mg gastro-resistant capsules	28	£1.72	£2.62	£0.90	52%	£15,260
Duloxetine 30mg gastro-resistant capsules	28	£1.36	£1.99	£0.63	46%	£9,300
Isosorbide mononitrate 20mg tablets	56	£1.23	£3.85	£2.62	213%	£7,551
Mometasone 0.1% ointment	30	£2.78	£3.42	£0.64	23%	£7,487
Mometasone 0.1% cream	30	£2.73	£3.63	£0.90	33%	£6,917
Rizatriptan 10mg orodispersible tablets sugar free	3	£4.87	£8.18	£3.31	68%	£5,726
Clarithromycin 125mg/5ml oral suspension	70	£5.05	£6.30	£1.25	25%	£5,015
Oxybutynin 5mg tablets	56	£1.26	£2.90	£1.64	130%	£4,572
Alendronic acid 70mg tablets	4	£0.94	£1.15	£0.21	22%	£4,514
Chloramphenicol 1% eye ointment	4	£2.77	£3.08	£0.31	11%	£2,796
Sitagliptin 100mg tablets	28	£1.38	£1.67	£0.29	21%	£2,578
Prucalopride 2mg tablets	28	£7.86	£10.39	£2.53	32%	£2,429
Nefopam 30mg tablets	90	£3.87	£4.09	£0.22	6%	£2,346
Mycophenolate mofetil 500mg tablets	50	£5.81	£6.50	£0.69	12%	£1,570

# Cost-effectiveness updates continued ...

Product	Pack Size	DT price (Apr 25)	Concession price	£ Increase	% Increase	Estimated impact on spend
Venlafaxine 300mg modified-release tablets	30	£41.25	£43.09	£1.84	4%	£889
Naftidrofuryl 100mg capsules	84	£10.65	£11.74	£1.09	10%	£848
Fenofibrate micronised 160mg tablets	28	£2.86	£3.60	£0.74	26%	£701
Isosorbide mononitrate 40mg tablets	56	£1.62	£3.67	£2.05	127%	£492
Lofepramine 70mg tablets	56	£24.89	£25.60	£0.71	3%	£386
Oxybutynin 2.5mg tablets	56	£1.00	£1.11	£0.11	11%	£366
Sitagliptin 50mg tablets	28	£0.99	£1.18	£0.19	19%	£329
Ondansetron 4mg orodispersible tablets	10	£15.09	£16.00	£0.91	6%	£193
Sitagliptin 25mg tablets	28	£0.97	£1.14	£0.17	18%	£155

\*As of 25/04/25

## Stock availability feedback

We have had recent pop-up feedback from individual practice prescribers across our national customer base, regarding availability of the following products. Those in **bold** have been reported from multiple practices (number of reports in brackets):

#### Multiple reports:

- Epimax isomol gel, oatmeal cream, original cream (18)
- Brancico XL 50mg, 300mg tablets (6)
- Galzemic XL 8mg, 16mg, 24mg capsules (6)
- Mefenamic acid 250mg tablets (6)
- AirFluSal 25mcg/250mcg/dose inhaler (5)
- Alzest transdermal patches [all strengths] (5)
- Colestyramine 4g oral powder sachets (4)
- Dorzolamide 20mg/ml eye drops PF (4)
- Neditol XL 4mg capsules (4)
- Medi Derma-S non-sting medical barrier film pump spray (3)
- Propranolol 160mg MR capsules (3)
- Salamol 100mcg/dose inhaler CFC free (3)

#### One-off reports:

- Adipine MR 10 tablets
- Amlodipine 5mg tablets
- Arjun 1% cream
- Dapagliflozin 10mg tablets
- Delmosart 36mg modified-release tablets
- Emcozin 30mg/500mg tablets
- Esomeprazole 20mg GR capsules
- GreenFine hypodermic insulin needles screw on 8mm/31gauge
- Hydrocortisone 1% / Clotrimazole 1% cream
- Kalcipos-D 500mg/800unit chewable tablets
- Latanoprost 50mcg/ml / Timolol 5mg/ml eye drops
- · Longtec 10mg modified-release tablets

- Accrete D3 tablets (2)
- Amiodarone 200mg tablets (2)
- Apresoline 25mg tablets (2)
- Gazylan XL 24mg capsules (2)
- Laxido Paediatric Plain oral powder 6.9g sachets (2)
- Letrozole 2.5mg tablets (2)
- Liothyronine 5, 20 microgram capsules (2)
- Repinex XL 4mg tablets (2)
- Stexerol-D3 1,000unit tablets (2)
- Tolterodine 4mg MR capsules (2)
- Venlafaxine 150mg MR tablets (2)
- Metyrol XL 10mg capsules
- Mezolar Matrix 12mcg/hour transdermal patches
- Mometasone 0.1% ointment
- Nizoral 2% shampoo
- Oxybutynin 5mg tablets
- Oxylan 80mg prolonged-release tablets
- Rizatriptan 10mg tablets
- Scheriproct ointment
- Telmisartan 40mg tablets
- Tiogiva 18mcg inhalation powder capsules with device
- Trimethoprim 100mg tablets

This list is based purely on prescriber feedback related to specific local switches within our customer profiles across the whole customer base. Availability can vary geographically and also between wholesalers and individual community pharmacies. Up-to-date information should be sought from manufacturers, local community pharmacies and suppliers. If you have switches to any of these products in your profile, you may wish to review local stock availability accordingly.

# ScriptSwitch product updates

#### New products on Content Manager

These are some of the notable product additions to our drug database, which can be selected on Content Manager for switches and information messages following the latest product update:

#### Branded products added (AMPs):

- AaceGel 500mg capsules
- Adoxal capsules [4 strengths]
- Altuvoct injection vials [6 strengths]
- Anzupgo 20mg/g cream
- · Carnation Callous Caps medicated plasters
- Catiolanze 50mcg/ml eye drops emulsion 0.3ml unit dose
- Chlorvescent (potassium 14mmol) effervescent tablets
- Clarinaze Allergy Control 0.05% nasal spray
- ClinOptic HA 0.4% eye drops preservative free
- Combogesic Pain Relief 500mg/150mg tablets
- Comirnaty KP.2 COVID-19 mRNA Vaccine 30micrograms/0.3ml pre-filled syringes
- ConvaFoam Border dressing [9 sizes]
- ConvaFoam Silicone dressing [9 sizes]
- Duvyzat 8.86mg/ml oral suspension
- Dymista Control 137mcg/dose / 50mcg/dose nasal spray
- Enolio 10micrograms/ml oral solution
- Hayeeze 1mg/ml eye drops
- Imodium SoftGels 2mg capsules

#### Generic products added (VMPs):

- · Baloxavir marboxil 20mg tablets
- Calcium levomefolate 15mg gastro-resistant tablets
- Delgocitinib 20mg/g cream
- Efanesoctocog alfa injection vials [6 strengths]
- Flucytosine 500mg capsules
- Futibatinib 4mg tablets
- Givinostat 8.86mg/ml oral suspension sugar free
- Latanoprost 50mcg/ml eye drops 0.3ml unit dose preservative free
- Liothyronine 10micrograms/ml oral solution
- Netilmicin 3mg/ml / Dexamethasone 1mg/ml eye drops

- Imuldosa pre-filled syringes [2 strengths]
- Lytgobi 4mg tablets
- MedCu dressing 20cm x 20cm
- Myobloc solution for injection vials [3 strengths]
- Netildex 3mg/ml / 1mg/ml eye drops
- Netildex 3mg/ml / 1mg/ml eye gel 0.4ml unit dose
- Nettacin 3mg/ml eye drops
- Nutrini Mix Energy Multifibre liquid
- Otulfi pre-filled syringes [2 strengths]
- Prefolic 15mg gastro-resistant tablets
- Prometrium 400mg vaginal capsules
- Qalsody 100mg/15ml solution for injection vials
- Silandyl orodispersible films [3 strengths]
- Suprasorb F Protect dressing [3 sizes]
- Vivomixx neo oral powder 4.4g sachets
- Xofluza 20mg tablets
- Zyduco XL 1200mg tablets

- Netilmicin 3mg/ml / Dexamethasone 1mg/ml eye gel 0.4ml unit dose preservative free
- Netilmicin 3mg/ml eye drops
- Progesterone micronised 400mg
   vaginal capsules
- Pyridoxal phosphate capsules [2 strengths]
- Rocuronium bromide 50mg/5ml
   pre-filled syringes
- Sildenafil orodispersible films sugar free [3 strengths]
- Tofersen 100mg/15ml solution for injection vials

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