



Prescription Services

# **Drug and Appliance Abbreviations**

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- This document is a list of all the abbreviations used to describe medicines held on the NHS Prescription Services Drug Master file. It shows the abbreviated description in the first column with the full description in the second column. The abbreviations have been created so that as much details as possible can be included in the description field of the presentation.
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# Drug and Appliance Abbreviation Names

\* used only when lack of space will not allow full description

## A

|                   |                                  |
|-------------------|----------------------------------|
| &                 | And                              |
| +                 | With                             |
| A-Bact            | Antibacterial                    |
| A/Biologics       | American Biologics               |
| A-Biot*           | Antibiotic                       |
| Acute/Crnry Synd* | Acute Coronary Syndrome          |
| A/Dand            | Anti(-)Dandruff                  |
| A/F               | Additive Free (inc Lactose Free) |
| A/Knee            | Above Knee                       |
| A/Lip             | Alpha Lipoic                     |
| Adh/Rem*          | Adhesive Remover (See Adhesive)  |
| A/Research        | Allergy Research                 |
| A/Ring*           | Adapt/Adapter Ring               |
| A/Saville         | Antoinette Saville               |
| A/Sleeve*         | Armsleeve                        |
| A/Spy             | Aero Spray / Aerosol Spray       |
| A/Strp            | Adhesive Strip                   |
| Absorb            | Absorbable/Absorbent             |
| Acc*              | Accessories                      |
| Accu              | Accuseal                         |
| Acebut            | Acebutolol                       |
| Acet              | Acetate                          |
| Acetomenaph       | Acetomenaphthone                 |
| Aceton            | Acetonide                        |

|                  |                          |
|------------------|--------------------------|
| Acetyl Wool Alc* | Acetylated Wool Alcohols |
| Acetylchol       | Acetylcholine            |
| Acetylcy         | Acetylcysteine           |
| Acetylsalic      | Acetylsalicylic          |
| Ad               | Adsorbed                 |
| Adapt            | Adapter                  |
| Add              | Additive                 |
| Adh              | Adhesive                 |
| Adj*             | Adjustable               |
| Admin            | Administration           |
| Adren            | Adrenaline               |
| Advan            | Advance(d)               |
| Aero             | Aerosol                  |
| Algin*           | Alginate                 |
| Allgy            | Allergy                  |
| All Purp         | All Purpose              |
| Allgs            | Allergens                |
| Alt*             | Alternative              |
| Alum             | Aluminium                |
| Ambre Sol        | Ambre Solaire            |
| Aminobenz        | Aminobenzoate            |
| Aminosal         | Aminosalicylate          |
| Aminosalic       | Aminosalicylic           |
| Ammon            | Ammonium                 |
| Ammoniat         | Ammoniated               |
| Amorph           | Amorphous                |
| Amp              | Ampoule(s)               |
| Amfet            | Amfetamine               |

|            |                              |
|------------|------------------------------|
| Amlobarb   | Amlobarbitone                |
| Anaes*     | Anaesthetic                  |
| Anhy       | Anhydrous                    |
| Ank        | Ankle / Anklet               |
| Antaz      | Antazoline                   |
| Antihist*  | Antihistamine/Antihistamines |
| Antilymph  | Antilymphocyte               |
| Antim      | Antimony                     |
| Antiox     | Anti(-)Oxidant               |
| Antis      | Antiseptic                   |
| Antisec*   | Antisecretory                |
| A-Pers     | Anti-Perspirant              |
| Apomorph   | Apomorphine                  |
| Apothec    | Apothecure                   |
| App        | Appliance                    |
| Applic     | Application / Applicator     |
| Aq         | Aqueous                      |
| Arach      | Arachis                      |
| A/Sleeve*  | Armsleeve                    |
| Arom       | Aromatic                     |
| Ascorb     | Ascorbate                    |
| Assim      | Assimilation                 |
| Ath        | Athlete(s)                   |
| Atom       | Atomiser / Atomizer          |
| Atrop      | Atropine                     |
| Atten      | Attenuated                   |
| Aus B/Care | Australian Bodycare          |
| Ayrton's   | Ayrton's Preparations        |

# B

|               |                          |
|---------------|--------------------------|
| B.C.G.        | Bacillus Calmette Guerin |
| B/A           | Breath Actuated          |
| B/Berry       | Blueberry                |
| B/Chry*       | Black Cherry             |
| B/Film*       | Barrier Film             |
| B/Health      | Botanical Health         |
| B/Knee        | Below Knee               |
| B/Less        | Borderless               |
| B/Milk        | Breast Milk              |
| B/Plt         | Base Plate               |
| B/Supp*       | Bag Support              |
| B/Wheat*      | Buckwheat                |
| B/Y*          | Brewers Yeast            |
| Baco          | Bacon                    |
| Bact          | Bacterial                |
| Ball          | Balloon                  |
| Band          | Bandage/Bandaging        |
| Beclomet      | Beclometasone            |
| Bellad        | Belladonna               |
| Bendroflumeth | Bendroflumethiazide      |
| Beneth        | Benethamine              |
| Benz          | Benzoate / Benzoin       |
| Benzalk       | Benzalkonium             |
| Benzat        | Benzathine               |
| Benzeth       | Benzethonium             |
| Benzyipen*    | Benzyipenicillin         |

|                       |                   |
|-----------------------|-------------------|
| Besil                 | Besilate          |
| Betameth              | Betamethasone     |
| Bicarb                | Bicarbonate       |
| Bifidobact            | Bifidobacterium   |
| Bill*                 | Billion           |
| Bioflav               | Bioflavonoid(s)   |
| Bisc                  | Biscuit(s)        |
| Bism                  | Bismuth           |
| Bisulph               | Bisulphate        |
| Bitart                | Bitartrate        |
| Blad                  | Bladder           |
| Blk                   | Black             |
| Blkberry              | Blackberry        |
| Blkcurrant or B/Crrt* | Blackcurrant      |
| Block*                | Blockers          |
| Bov                   | Bovine            |
| Brg*                  | Bridge            |
| Brocc*                | Broccoli          |
| Brom                  | Bromide           |
| Bs                    | Butterscotch      |
| Btl                   | Bottle            |
| Buff                  | Buffered / Buffer |
| Bulgar                | Bulgaricus        |
| Bupivac               | Bupivacaine       |
| Buprenorph*           | Buprenorphine     |
| But                   | Butyrate          |
| Butetham              | Butethamate       |
| Butobarb              | Butobarbitone     |

# C

|            |                      |
|------------|----------------------|
| C/Backing* | Comfort Backing      |
| C/Bite*    | Cheese Bites         |
| C/Bread*   | Crispibread          |
| C/Brush*   | Cleaning Brush       |
| C/Dev*     | Contraceptive Device |
| C/exity    | Convexity            |
| C/F        | Colour Free          |
| C/Fit      | Cut(-)to(-)fit       |
| C/Kt       | Circular Knit        |
| C/Natura*  | Combihesive Natura   |
| C/Peel*    | Custom Peel          |
| C/Pk       | Combination Pack     |
| C/R        | Controlled Release   |
| C/Natura   | Combihesive Natura*  |
| C/Relief*  | Congestion Relief    |
| C/Screw*   | Corkscrew            |
| C/Sive     | Combihesive          |
| C/T*       | Closed Toe           |
| Calc       | Calcium              |
| Camph      | Camphorated          |
| Camsil     | Camsilate            |
| Cap        | Capsule(s)           |
| Capro      | Caproate             |
| Capl       | Caplet(s)            |
| Carb       | Carbonate            |
| Card       | Cardamom             |



|               |                                    |
|---------------|------------------------------------|
| Carp          | Carpoule                           |
| Cart          | Cartridge                          |
| Casc          | Cascara                            |
| Cass          | Cassette                           |
| Catar*        | Catarrh                            |
| Cath          | Catheter(s)                        |
| Cetalk        | Cetalkonium                        |
| Cetylpyr      | Cetylpyridinium                    |
| CFF           | CFC Free / Chlorofluorocarbon Free |
| Chble         | Chewable                           |
| Chel          | Chelate / Chelated / Chelating     |
| Chew/G        | Chewing Gum                        |
| Chkn          | Chicken                            |
| Child         | Children(s)                        |
| Chir          | Chiropody                          |
| Chlor         | Chloride                           |
| Chloramphen   | Chloramphenicol                    |
| Chlorbut      | Chlorbutol                         |
| Chlordiazepox | Chlordiazepoxide                   |
| Chlorhex      | Chlorhexidine                      |
| Chlorin       | Chlorinated                        |
| Clomethi      | Clomethiazole                      |
| Chlorof       | Chloroform                         |
| Chloroth      | Chlorothiazide                     |
| Chlorphen*    | Chlorpheniramine/Chlorphenamine    |
| Chlortet      | Chlortetracycline                  |
| Choc          | Chocolate                          |
| Chond*        | Chondroitin                        |

|                |                            |
|----------------|----------------------------|
| Chorion        | Chorionic                  |
| Chrom          | Chromium                   |
| Cilast         | Cilastatin                 |
| Cin*           | Cinnamon                   |
| Circ*          | Circular                   |
| Cit            | Citrate                    |
| CL1*           | Class 1                    |
| CL2*           | Class2                     |
| Clavul         | Clavulanic                 |
| Clean          | Cleaning                   |
| Clobet         | Clobetasone                |
| Clsd*          | Closed                     |
| Clpsble        | Collapsible                |
| Clr            | Clear                      |
| Cntrl          | Central                    |
| Co             | Compound                   |
| Collod         | Collodion                  |
| Colo           | Colostomy                  |
| Colr           | Colour                     |
| Colecal        | Cholecal                   |
| Comb           | Combination                |
| Comp           | Complex                    |
| Compreh/Care   | Comprehensive Care         |
| Compress/Comp* | Compression                |
| Conc           | Concentrate / Concentrated |
| Cond           | Conditioner                |
| Conform        | Conformable / Conforming   |
| Congest*       | Congestion                 |

|            |                                  |
|------------|----------------------------------|
| Conj       | Conjugated                       |
| Connctr    | Connector                        |
| Cont       | Continuation                     |
| Contr      | Contour / Contoured / Contouring |
| Contracep  | Contraceptive                    |
| Coriand    | Coriander                        |
| Cortico    | Corticotrophin                   |
| Cott       | Cotton                           |
| Cran*      | Cranberry                        |
| Crble      | Crushable                        |
| Crm        | Cream(s)                         |
| Cryst      | Crystalline / Crystals           |
| Ctd        | Coated                           |
| Cust       | Custard                          |
| Cyclobarb  | Cyclobarbitone                   |
| Cyclopenth | Cyclopenthiazide                 |
| Cylin*     | Cylinder                         |
| Cylind     | Cylindrical                      |
| Cyprote    | Cyproterone                      |

# D

|              |                      |
|--------------|----------------------|
| D            | Dose                 |
| D/Act*       | Dual Action          |
| D/B          | Double(-)Based       |
| D/Chamber    | Dual Chamber         |
| D/Convexity* | Deep Convexity       |
| D/Delivery*  | Drug Delivery        |
| D/Dose*      | Direct Dose          |
| D/Filtr*     | Dual Filter          |
| D/Grey*      | Dark Grey            |
| D/P          | Dry Powder           |
| D/Pk         | Desensitisation Pack |
| D/S          | Double Sided         |
| D/Sive*      | Durahesive           |
| D/Spec       | DS Dietary Specials  |
| D/Strgh      | Double Strength      |
| D/System     | Delivery System      |
| Dble         | Double               |
| Decan        | Decanoate            |
| Decongest*   | Decongestant         |
| Deficien     | Deficiency           |
| Deglyc       | Deglycyrrhizinised   |
| Deod         | Deodorant            |
| Deoxycort    | Deoxycortone         |
| Desens       | Desensitisation      |
| Desferriox   | Desferrioxamine      |
| Desmopres    | Desmopressin         |

|                     |                          |
|---------------------|--------------------------|
| Desoxychol          | Desoxycholate            |
| Dev                 | Device                   |
| Dexamet             | Dexametasone             |
| Dexamfet            | Dexamfetamine            |
| Dexpanth            | Dexpanthenol             |
| Dextrometh          | Dextromethorphan         |
| Dextroprop          | Dextropropoxyphene       |
| Diacet              | Diacetate                |
| Diam                | Diameter                 |
| Diamorph            | Diamorphine              |
| Diaph               | Diaphragm                |
| Dibromprop          | Dibrompropamide          |
| Diethylcarb         | Diethylcarbamazine       |
| Diges               | Digestive                |
| Digit               | Digitalis                |
| Digluc              | Digluconate              |
| Dihydroch           | Dihydrochloride          |
| Dihydrocod          | Dihydrocodeine*          |
| Di-Iodo-hydroxyquin | Di-Iodo-hydroxyquinoline |
| Dil                 | Diluent / Dilution       |
| Dinit               | Dinitrate                |
| Diox                | Dioxide                  |
| Dip                 | Diphtheria               |
| Dipot               | Dipotassium              |
| Diprop              | Dipropionate             |
| Disod               | Disodium                 |
| Disp                | Disposable               |
| Disper              | Dispersible              |

|          |                |
|----------|----------------|
| Dlysis   | Dialysis       |
| Dps      | Drops          |
| Drain    | Drainage       |
| Dress    | Dressing(s)    |
| Drnbl    | Drainable      |
| D/Pk     | Dual Pack      |
| Duo/P    | Duo(-)Pack     |
| Dust Pdr | Dusting Powder |

# E

|             |                          |
|-------------|--------------------------|
| E/C         | Enteric-Coated           |
| E/Fld       | EasiFold                 |
| E/Wrap*     | Easy Wrap                |
| E/Peel*     | Easy Peel                |
| Eff         | Effervescent             |
| Elas        | Elastic                  |
| Elas/Bnd    | Elastic Band             |
| Elasctd     | Elasticated              |
| Eld*        | Elderberry               |
| Elix        | Elixir                   |
| Elsmr*      | Elastomer                |
| Emergen*    | Emergencies              |
| Embon       | Embonate                 |
| Emet        | Emetine                  |
| Emuls       | Emulsion                 |
| Emulsif     | Emulsifying / Emulsified |
| Enant       | Enantate                 |
| Encap       | Encapsulations           |
| Enem        | Enema(s)                 |
| Enzym       | Enzymes                  |
| Ephed       | Ephedrine                |
| Erbum*      | Erbumine                 |
| Essent      | Essential                |
| Est         | Esterified               |
| Ethidiol    | Ethinodiol               |
| Ethinylestr | Ethinylestradiol         |

|          |                      |
|----------|----------------------|
| Ethylsuc | Ethylsuccinate       |
| Etidron* | Etidronate           |
| EPO*     | Evening Primrose Oil |
| EW Herbs | East West Herbs      |
| Ex       | Extra                |
| Exlge    | Extra Large          |
| Exsml*   | Extra Small          |
| Expect   | Expectorant          |
| Ext      | Extract              |
| Extl*    | External             |
| Eye Dps  | Eye Drops            |
| Eye Oint | Eye Ointment         |



# F

|            |                                |
|------------|--------------------------------|
| F/C        | Film-Coated                    |
| F/Fruits*  | Forest Fruits                  |
| F/Mint*    | Freshmint                      |
| F/R        | Fast Release                   |
| F/S        | Food State                     |
| Fact*      | Factor                         |
| Ferr       | Ferrous                        |
| Fibrinog*  | Fibrinogen                     |
| Fibrin*    | Fibrinolysis                   |
| Flav       | Flavours / Flavoured / Flavour |
| Flbd       | Flat Bed                       |
| Fle        | Female                         |
| FIng       | Flange                         |
| Float*     | Floating                       |
| Flr        | Flower(s)                      |
| Fltr       | Filter                         |
| Fluclox    | Flucloxacillin                 |
| Fludrocort | Fludrocortisone                |
| Fluoresc   | Fluorescein                    |
| Fluorome   | Fluorometholone                |
| Flx        | Flexible                       |
| Follitrop* | Follitropin Alfa               |
| For        | Formula                        |
| F/Feet     | Foldaway Feet                  |
| F/Fruits*  | Forest Fruits                  |
| Form       | Formulation(s)                 |

|       |                       |
|-------|-----------------------|
| Foy   | Foley                 |
| F-P   | Foam Padded           |
| Fract | Fraction              |
| Fresh | Freshener             |
| Froz  | Frozen                |
| Ft    | Fortifier / Fortified |
| Fte   | Forte                 |
| Fumar | Fumarate              |
| Fur   | Furoate               |

# G

|             |  |
|-------------|--|
| G/Cap*      | Gel Cap  |
| G/F         | Gluten Free                                      |
| G/Natur     | Good N Natural                                   |
| G/R*        | Gastro-Resistant                                 |
| G/Top*      | Grip Top   |
| Garg        | Gargle   |
| Gaunt*      | Gauntlet   |
| Gent        | Gentian  |
| Glucon      | Gluconate  |
| Gluc*       | Glucose  |
| Glucosam*   | Glucosamine                                      |
| Glycerophos | Glycerophosphate                                 |
| G/man       | German   |
| Gmt*        | Garment  |
| G-Seal*     | Goldenseal                                       |
| Gonadotroph | Gonadotrophin                                    |
| Gppe        | Generically Prescribed Proprietary<br>Equivalent |
| Gramic      | Gramicidin                                       |
| Gran        | Granules   |
| Guaiphen*   | Guaiphenesin                                     |
| Guaneth     | Guanethidine                                     |
| Gz          | Gauze  |

# H

|                   |                            |
|-------------------|----------------------------|
| H/Away            | Hide Away                  |
| H/Apoth           | Herbal Apothecary          |
| H/Barrett         | Holland & Barrett          |
| H/Base*           | Honey Based                |
| H/Blk*            | Hot Blackcurrant           |
| H/Burg*           | Hamburger                  |
| H/Coll            | Hydrocolloid               |
| H/Ctd             | Half Coated                |
| H/Dog*            | Hotdog                     |
| H/Fbre            | Hi(-)Fibre / High Fibre    |
| H/Fever* / H/Fvr* | Hayfever                   |
| H/Fier            | Humidifier                 |
| H/Fltr*           | Humidifier                 |
| H/Flw*            | High Flow                  |
| H/Gel             | Hydrogel                   |
| Hot Lem           | Hot Lemon                  |
| H/Nature          | Higher Nature              |
| H/Oran*           | Hot Orange                 |
| H/Percep          | Health Perception          |
| H/Piece*          | Hand Piece                 |
| H/Strgh           | Half Strength / ½ Strength |
| H/thorn           | Hawthorn(e)                |
| Haemo             | Haemostatic                |
| Haemoph           | Haemophilus                |
| HCl               | Hydrochloride              |
| Head              | Headache                   |

|                |                     |
|----------------|---------------------|
| Heptahyd       | Heptahydrate        |
| Hexacet        | Hexacetone          |
| Hexametaphos   | Hexametaphosphate   |
| Hexan          | Hexanoate           |
| High-Pot       | High Potency        |
| Hnap           | Hydroxynaphthoate   |
| Homatr         | Homatropine         |
| Hon + Lem*     | Honey + Lemon       |
| Hose           | Hosiery             |
| Hosp           | Hospital            |
| Hr*            | Hour                |
| Hum            | Human               |
| Hyd            | Hydrous             |
| Hydchloroth    | Hydrochlorothiazide |
| Hydrarg        | Hydrargaphen        |
| Hydro          | Hydrophilic         |
| Hydrob         | Hydrobromide        |
| Hydrocort      | Hydrocortisone      |
| Hydroflumeth   | Hydroflumethiazide  |
| Hydrosulph     | Hydrosulphate       |
| Hydrox         | Hydroxide           |
| Hydroxycarb    | Hydroxycarbamide    |
| Hydroxychlor   | Hydroxychloroquine  |
| Hydroxyprogest | Hydroxyprogesterone |
| Hydroxyquin    | Hydroxyquinoline    |
| Hyoscy         | Hyoscyamus          |
| Hypochlor      | Hypochloride        |
| Hypod          | Hypodermic          |

Hyposensit\*

Hyposensitisation

Hyposulph

Hyposulphate

**I**

|             |                              |
|-------------|------------------------------|
| I/A         | Intra-Articular              |
| I/D         | Intra-Dermal                 |
| I/Les       | Intra-Lesional               |
| I/M         | Intra-Muscular               |
| I/Nsl       | Intranasal                   |
| I/Tt/S      | Initial Treatment Set        |
| I/V         | Intravenous                  |
| Ind/Pleural | Indwelling Plural            |
| Idox        | Idoxuridine                  |
| Ids         | Integrated Disconnect System |
| IInd        | Island                       |
| Ileo        | Ileostomy                    |
| Imglob      | Immunoglobulin               |
| Imitat*     | Imitation                    |
| Imprd       | Impregnated                  |
| Ims         | Industrial Methylated Spirit |
| In          | Inch                         |
| Inact       | Inactivated                  |
| Incont      | Incontinence / Incontinent   |
| Indapam*    | Indapamide                   |
| Indigest    | Indigestion                  |
| Ind/Pleural | Indwelling Pleural           |
| Inf         | Infusion                     |
| Ingred      | Ingredient                   |
| Inh         | Inhalant / Inhalation        |
| Inha        | Inhaler                      |

|                           |   |
|---------------------------|---|
| Init*                     | Initiation                              |
| Inj                       | Injectable / Injection(s) / Injector(s) |
| INR (Chem Sub Level only) | International Normalised Ratio          |
| Ins                       | Insulin                                 |
| Insp                      | Inspire                                 |
| Int*                      | Internal                                |
| Insuf                     | Insufflations / Insufflators            |
| Insulat                   | Insulatard                              |
| Integ                     | Integral                                |
| Interf                    | Interferon                              |
| Inter*                    | Intermediate                            |
| Intermit                  | Intermittent                            |
| Intol                     | Intolerance / Intolerant                |
| Intrath                   | Intrathecal                             |
| Invis*                    | InvisiClose*                            |
| Ipecac                    | Ipecacuanha                             |
| Ipratrop                  | Ipratropium                             |
| Irrig                     | Irrigation                              |
| Iseth                     | Isethionate                             |
| Isop                      | Isophane                                |
| Isot                      | Isotonic                                |
| Ispag                     | Ispaghula                               |
| Iucd                      | Intrauterine Contraceptive Device       |



# J

J/Care\*

Just W/Foods

Jnr

Jointcare

Just Wholefoods

Junior

# K

|           |              |
|-----------|--------------|
| K/S       | Karaya Seal  |
| Ketoglut  | Ketoglutaric |
| Knee/Len* | Knee Length  |
| Kneecp    | Kneecap      |
| Kt        | Knit         |
| Ktd       | Knitted      |

# L

|           |                          |
|-----------|--------------------------|
| (L)*      | Left                     |
| L         | Litre                    |
| L+R*      | Lock n Roll /Lock & Roll |
| L/A       | Long-Acting              |
| L/Extrem* | Lower Extremities        |
| L/Last    | Long Lasting             |
| L/M*      | Lemon/Menthol            |
| L/P       | Low Protein              |
| L/Prof    | Low Profile              |
| L/C*      | Low compression          |
| L/S*      | Long Sleeve              |
| L/Salted* | Lightly Salted           |
| L/Tap     | Lever Tap                |
| Lact      | Lactate                  |
| Lacta     | Lactase                  |
| Lacto     | Lactose                  |
| Lactobi   | Lactobionate             |
| Lamb      | Lamberts                 |
| Latt      | Lattice                  |
| Lax       | Laxative                 |
| L-Dopa    | Levodopa                 |
| Leg*      | Leggings                 |
| Lem       | Lemon                    |
| Lent      | Lentard                  |
| Levobupiv | Levobupivacaine          |

|             |                            |
|-------------|----------------------------|
| Levonorgest | Levonorgestrel             |
| Levomen*    | Levomenthol                |
| Levomeprom  | Levomepromazine            |
| Levothyrox  | Levothyroxine              |
| Lge         | Large                      |
| Lido        | Lidocaine                  |
| Lim         | Lime                       |
| Lin         | Liniment                   |
| Linct       | Linctus                    |
| Liq         | Liquid(s)                  |
| Lot         | Lotion(s)                  |
| Loz         | Lozenge(s)                 |
| L-Tart      | L-Tartrate                 |
| Ltx         | Latex                      |
| Lubri       | Lubricating                |
| Lutrop*     | Lutropin                   |
| Lux*        | Luxury                     |
| LVSD        | Large Volume Spacer Device |
| L-Wt        | Lightweight                |
| Lymph/Lym*  | Lymphoedema                |
| Lynoest     | Lynoestrenol               |

# M

|           |                           |
|-----------|---------------------------|
| M.D. Form | M.D. Formulations         |
| M/Aper    | Multi-Apertured           |
| M/Bark*   | Maritime Bark             |
| M/Cell    | Microcell                 |
| M/D       | Multiple Dose             |
| M/Fit*    | Mould-to-Fit              |
| M/Grn     | Multigrain                |
| M/Fibre   | Multifibre/Muli-Fibre     |
| M/Layer   | Multi(-)Layer             |
| M/M*      | Made to Measure           |
| M/Pse     | Multi Purpose             |
| M/R       | Modified Release          |
| M/Strch*  | Multistretch              |
| M/Tt/S    | Maintenance Treatment Set |
| Mag       | Magnesium                 |
| Maint     | Maintenance               |
| Mal       | Maleate                   |
| Malt      | Malted                    |
| Mang      | Manganese                 |
| Mari      | Marine                    |
| Max       | Maximum                   |
| Maxim     | Maximised                 |
| Med       | Medium                    |
| Med Dev   | Medical Device            |
| Medic*    | Medicated/Medical         |
| Medox*    | Medoxomil                 |

|                    |                        |
|--------------------|------------------------|
| Medroxyprogest     | Medroxyprogesterone    |
| Meningoc           | Meningococcal          |
| Merc               | Mercury                |
| Mering             | Meringue               |
| Mesil              | Mesilate               |
| Methonit           | Methonitrate           |
| Methoserp          | Methoserpidine         |
| Methotrimep        | Methotrimепrazine      |
| Methylamfet        | Methylamphet HCl       |
| Methyl Hydroxybenz | Methyl Hydroxybenzoate |
| Methylnaltrex*     | Methylnaltrexone       |
| Methylphenobarb    | Methylphenobarbitone   |
| Methylpred         | Methylprednisolone     |
| Methylsulph        | Methylsulphate         |
| Methyltest         | Methyltestosterone     |
| Methylthion        | Methylthioninium       |
| Metilsulf          | Metilsulfate           |
| Metrd              | Metered                |
| Metsulphbenz       | Metasulphobenzoate     |
| mg                 | Milligramme            |
| Micro              | Microporous            |
| Mig                | Migraine               |
| Min*               | Mineral                |
| M/Macaroon         | Mini Macaroon          |
| Minjet             | Min-I-Jet              |
| Mix                | Mixture                |
| Mixt               | Mixtard                |
| ml                 | Millilitre             |

|           |   |
|-----------|---|
| Mob       | Mobility  |
| Moist     | Moist / Moisturiser / Moisturising /<br>Moisture / Moistening |
| Mon*      | Months  |
| Monof     | Monofilament  |
| Monohyd   | Monohydrate   |
| Mononit   | Mononitrate   |
| Monosulph | Monosulphate  |
| Monot     | Monotard  |
| Morph     | Morphine  |
| Mozz      | Mozzarella  |
| Mth       | Mouth   |
| Mthpce    | Mouthpiece  |
| Mthwsh    | Mouthwash   |
| Mucoadh*  | Mucoadhesive  |
| Multi     | Multiple  |
| M/chamb   | Multichamber  |
| Multimin  | Multimineral(s)   |
| Multivit  | Multivitamin  |
| Musc      | Muscular  |
| Myrist    | Myristate   |

# N

|                  |                          |
|------------------|--------------------------|
| N/Centre         | Nutri Centre             |
| N/Drtsy*         | Non-Drowsy               |
| N/Health         | Nutritional Healthcare   |
| N/Own            | Nature's Own             |
| N/Sce            | Natural Source           |
| N/Sting*         | Non Sting                |
| Nsl Spy or N/Spy | Nasal Spray              |
| N/Sunshine       | Natures Sunshine         |
| Naphaz           | Naphazoline              |
| Napsyl           | Napsylate                |
| Natur            | Natural (s)              |
| Natur Healing    | Natural Healing Services |
| Neb              | Nebulizer / Nebuliser    |
| Neonat*          | Neonatal                 |
| Neostig          | Neostigmine              |
| Nephrost*        | Nephrostomy              |
| Neut*            | Neutral                  |
| ng               | Nanogram                 |
| Nit              | Nitrate                  |
| Non-Adh          | Non-Adhesive             |
| Non-Adher*       | Non-Adherent             |
| Non-Drnbl        | Non-Drainable            |
| Non-Ster         | Non-Sterile              |
| Non-Wov          | Non(-)Woven              |
| Nor              | Normal                   |
| Noradren         | Noradrenaline            |



|           |                                     |
|-----------|-------------------------------------|
| Norelgest | Norelgestromin                      |
| Norethist | Norethisterone                      |
| Npr       | Nutrition Prolonged Release         |
| Nrv       | Non-Return Valve                    |
| Nsl       | Nasal                               |
| Nutrit    | Nutrition / Nutritional/ Nutritious |
| N-wing    | Non-winged                          |

# O

|           |                |
|-----------|----------------|
| O/Bal*    | Oral Balance   |
| O/End*    | Open End       |
| O/Lap     | Overlap        |
| O/S       | Outsize        |
| O/T       | Open Toe       |
| OT/VI     | Onco-Tain Vial |
| O/VI      | Onco-Vial      |
| O/Wov     | Open Wove      |
| OAD       | One-A-Day      |
| Ocean*    | Oceanic        |
| Od'ls     | Odourless      |
| Oestro    | Oestrogens     |
| Oint      | Ointment(s)    |
| OI*       | Olive          |
| Ophth     | Ophthalmic     |
| Opqe      | Opaque         |
| Opt       | Optima         |
| Orch      | Orchic         |
| Orcipren  | Orciprenaline  |
| Oreg*     | Oregano        |
| Org       | Orgaject       |
| Organ     | Organic        |
| Orig      | Original       |
| Orng*     | Orange         |
| Orodisper | Orodispersible |
| Oromuc    | Oromucosal     |

Orthophos

Orthophosphate

Outl

Outlet

O/B\*

Outback

Ox

Oxide

Oxal

Oxalate

Oxyphenbut

Oxyphenbutazone

# P

|                 |  |
|-----------------|--|
| P/apple         | Pineapple                                |
| P.P.            | Pubic Pressure                           |
| P/Bke           | Part(-)Bake(d) / Par(-)Bake(d)           |
| P/Cut           | Pre(-)Cut / Ready(-)Cut                  |
| P/Encaps        | Pure Encapsulations                      |
| P/F             | Preservative Free / Without Preservative |
| P/Mint*         | Peppermint                               |
| P/R             | Prolonged Release                        |
| P/Rel*          | Pain Relief                              |
| P/Seed*         | Pumpkin Seed                             |
| P/Spy           | Pump Spray                               |
| Pop/Seed*       | Poppy Seed                               |
| Paed            | Paediatric                               |
| Palm            | Palmitate                                |
| Pamid*          | Pamidronate                              |
| Pancrea         | Pancreatic                               |
| Pantoth         | Pantothenate                             |
| Papaver         | Papaverine                               |
| Paracet         | Paracetamol                              |
| Paraf           | Paraffin                                 |
| Parahydroxybenz | Parahydroxybenzoate                      |
| Parent          | Parenteral                               |
| Pastil          | Pastille(s)                              |
| Patch           | Patch(es)                                |
| Pch*            | Pouch                                    |

|             |   |
|-------------|---|
| Pdr         | Powder  |
| Pdrs        | Powders   |
| Peginterf   | Peginterferon   |
| Pentahyd    | Pentahydrate  |
| Pentobarb   | Pentobarbitone  |
| Pept        | Peptide   |
| Per         | Peroxide  |
| Percarb     | Percarbonate  |
| Percut      | Percutaneous  |
| Peri        | Peripheral  |
| Perm        | Permeable   |
| Pert        | Pertussis   |
| Pess        | Pessaries   |
| Pet*        | Petite  |
| Pf Applic   | Pre-Filled Applicator   |
| Pf Cart     | Pre-Filled Cartridge(s)   |
| PF Dev*     | Pre-Filled Device   |
| Pf Pen      | Pre-Filled Pen  |
| Pfa         | Perforated Film Absorbent                                       |
| Pfill       | Pre-Filled  |
| Pfos        | Pre-Filled Oral Syringe   |
| Pfs         | Pre-Filled Syringe(s) / Single Dose Syringe / Unit Dose Syringe |
| Phcy        | Pharmacy  |
| Phenobarb   | Phenobarbitone  |
| Phenoxybenz | Phenoxybenzamine  |
| Phentolam   | Phentolamine  |
| Phenylbut   | Phenylbutyrate  |
| Phenyleph   | Phenylephrine   |

|                  |                           |
|------------------|---------------------------|
| Phenylprop       | Phenylpropionate          |
| Phos             | Phosphate                 |
| Phthalysulphathi | Phthalysulphathiazole     |
| Physostig        | Physostigmine             |
| Phytobio         | Phytobiophysics           |
| Picol            | Picolinate                |
| Picosulf         | Picosulfate               |
| Piloc            | Pilocarpine               |
| Pils             | Pilules                   |
| Piperaz*         | Piperazine                |
| Pivampic         | Pivampicillin             |
| Pkt*             | Pocket                    |
| Plat*            | Plateau                   |
| Plas             | Plastic                   |
| Plastr           | Plaster                   |
| Pn               | Pen                       |
| Poch-Flg         | Pouches with Flange       |
| Podoph           | Podophyllum / Podophyllin |
| Polyalc          | Polyvinylalcohol          |
| Polyam           | Polyamide                 |
| Polyeth          | Polyethylene              |
| Polymetaphos     | Polymetaphosphate         |
| Polynicot        | Polynicotinate            |
| Polyest          | Polyestradiol             |
| Polyprop         | Polypropylene             |
| Polystyr         | Polystyrene               |
| Polysulph        | Polysulphate              |
| Polyth           | Polythene                 |

|                   |  |
|-------------------|--|
| Polyureth         | Polyurethane                           |
| Pop/Seed*         | Poppy Seed                             |
| Pore              | Porcine                                |
| Pot               | Potassium                              |
| Poty              | Potency / Potencies                    |
| PPD               | Purified Protein Derivative            |
| Precip            | Precipitated                           |
| Precur            | Precursors                             |
| Prednis Hex*      | Prednisolone Hexonate                  |
| Pref              | Preference                             |
| Prep              | Prepared                               |
| Prepn             | Preparation(s)                         |
| Preser            | Preservative                           |
| Prev              | Previously                             |
| *Priloc           | Prilocaine                             |
| Prnt              | Print/Printed                          |
| Prochlazine       | Prochlorperazine                       |
| Prop              | Propionate                             |
| Proper Nutrit     | Proper Nutrition                       |
| Propylhydroxybenz | Propylhydroxybenzoate                  |
| Prot              | Protamine                              |
| Prote             | Protection / Protective(s) / Protector |
| Pseudoephed       | Pseudoephedrine                        |
| Pst*              | Paste                                  |
| Pud*              | Pudding                                |
| Pur               | Purified                               |
| Pyridostig        | Pyridostigmine                         |
| Pyridox           | Pyridoxine                             |

# Q

Q/Lorraine

Quiche Lorraine

Quinalbarb

Quinalbarbitone



# R

|            |                   |
|------------|-------------------|
| (R)*       | Right             |
| R/Cakes*   | Rice Cakes        |
| R/Cap      | Rotacap           |
| R/Haler    | Rotahaler         |
| R/Currant* | Redcurrant        |
| R/Hip*     | Rosehip           |
| <br>       |                   |
| R+Lem      | Rice + Lemon      |
| Rapit      | Rapitard          |
| Rasp       | Raspberry         |
| Rauwol     | Rauwolfia         |
| Reag*      | Reagent           |
| Rect       | Rectangular       |
| Ref        | Refill(s)         |
| Reg*       | Regular           |
| Rehyd      | Rehydration       |
| Reinf      | Reinforcing       |
| Rem        | Remedy / Remedies |
| Remov      | Remover           |
| Rep        | Replacement       |
| Repel      | Repellent         |
| Repr       | Repair(s)         |
| Resist     | Resistant         |
| Resp       | Respirator        |
| Ret        | Retard            |

|        |                    |
|--------|--------------------|
| Retin* | Retinol            |
| Retain | Retainer           |
| R+C*   | Rice + Corn        |
| RTD    | Ready(-)To(-)Drink |
| Rubb   | Rubber             |

# S

|              |                                 |
|--------------|---------------------------------|
| S/A          | Self-Aspirating                 |
| S/B          | Sun Bloc / Sun Block / Sunblock |
| S/Backing    | Soft Backing                    |
| S/Beige*     | Split Beige                     |
| S/C          | Sugar-Coated                    |
| S/Convexity* | Shallow Convexity               |
| S/Cover      | Soft Cover                      |
| S/D*         | Sourdough                       |
| S/F          | Sugar Free                      |
| S/Flow       | Starflower                      |
| S/Fruits     | Summer Fruits                   |
| S/Gel*       | Soft Gel                        |
| S/H          | Starter Hole                    |
| *S/Order     | Special Order                   |
| S/Pack       | Starter Pack                    |
| S/Poly       | Soft Polymer                    |
| S/R          | Slow/Sustained Release          |
| S/Relief*    | Sinus Relief                    |
| S/S*         | Short Sleeve                    |
| S/Seal*      | Soft Seal                       |
| S/Seed*      | Sunflower Seed                  |
| S/Sec*       | Soft & Secure                   |
| S/Sd*        | Slightly Salted                 |
| S/Throat*    | Sore Throat                     |
| S/Use        | Single Use                      |
| Supp/Wear*   | Support Wear                    |

|            |                               |
|------------|-------------------------------|
| Sach       | Sachet(s)                     |
| Sal        | Salicylate                    |
| Salic      | Salicylic                     |
| Sbery      | Strawberry                    |
| Sched*     | Schedule                      |
| SCS        | Scientific Consulting Service |
| Scwcap     | Screw Cap                     |
| SD*        | Single Dose                   |
| Sd VI      | Single Dose Vial              |
| Secobarb   | Secobarbital                  |
| Semisod    | Semisodium                    |
| Semit      | Semitard                      |
| Sens       | Sensitive                     |
| Ser        | Serine                        |
| (S)        | Solid                         |
| Sesquicarb | Sesquicarbonate               |
| SH*        | Starter Hole                  |
| Shw        | Shower                        |
| Slc        | Silicone                      |
| Sle        | Single                        |
| Sle/S      | Single-Sided                  |
| Slot       | Slotted                       |
| Sls        | Seamless                      |
| Smeth      | Sulphomethate                 |
| Sml        | Small                         |
| Snap       | Snapule                       |
| Sod        | Sodium                        |
| Solb       | Soluble                       |

|                 |                        |
|-----------------|------------------------|
| Soln            | Solution               |
| Solv            | Solvent                |
| Spac            | Spacer                 |
| Span            | Spansule(s)            |
| Spec            | Special / Specialities |
| Spironol        | Spironolactone         |
| Sprink          | Sprinkler              |
| Spt             | Spirit                 |
| Spy             | Spray                  |
| Sq*             | Square                 |
| SS              | Safe System            |
| Stch            | Stretch                |
| Ster            | Sterile                |
| Steripk         | Steripack              |
| Sth             | Stout Thread           |
| Stkn            | Stocking               |
| Stkntte         | Stockinette            |
| Stnd            | Standard               |
| Stng            | Stinging               |
| Strgh           | Strength               |
| Strht           | Straight               |
| Strych          | Strychnine             |
| Subacet         | Subacetate             |
| Subcon          | Subconjunctival        |
| Subling or Sub* | Sublingual             |
| Subnit          | Subnitrate             |
| Subs            | Substances             |
| Subsalic        | Subsalicylate          |

|                    |                         |
|--------------------|-------------------------|
| Succ               | Succinate               |
| Succinylsulpathi   | Succinylsulpathiazole   |
| Sulf               | Sulfate                 |
| Sulfacet           | Sulfacetamide           |
| Sulphaben          | Sulphabenzamide         |
| Sulfamethox        | Sulfamethoxazole        |
| Sulfamethoxypyrida | Sulfamethoxypyridazine  |
| Sulfathi           | Sulfathiazole           |
| Sulphosucc         | Sulphosuccinate         |
| Sulphox            | Sulphoxide              |
| Supernutrit*       | Supernutrition          |
| Supp               | Supplement              |
| Supp/Belt*         | Support Belt            |
| Suppos             | Suppositories           |
| Supsq              | Supersquare             |
| Surg               | Surgical                |
| Susac              | Sustained Action        |
| Susp               | Suspension / Suspensory |
| Suspen             | Suspenders              |
| Sust               | Sustained               |
| Syn                | Synthetic               |
| Syner              | Synergy/Synergistic     |
| Syr                | Syrup                   |
| Syrg               | Syringe                 |

# T

|           |                                  |
|-----------|----------------------------------|
| T/Act     | Triple Action                    |
| TAD       | Two A Day                        |
| T/Cth     | Transcath                        |
| T/Derm*   | Transdermal                      |
| T/Over    | Turnover                         |
| T/R       | Time Release                     |
| T&R       | Thornton & Ross                  |
| Tab       | Tablet(s)                        |
| Tagliat   | Tagliatelle                      |
| Tamp      | Tampon                           |
| Tart      | Tartrate                         |
| Tet       | Tetanus                          |
| Tetracai  | Tetracaine                       |
| Tetraco   | Tetracosactrin                   |
| Tetraso   | Tetrasodium                      |
| Theophyl  | Theophyllinate                   |
| Thiosulph | Thiosulphate                     |
| Tinct     | Tincture(s)                      |
| Tiss      | Tissue                           |
| Ti/P*     | Titration Pack                   |
| Tocoph    | Tocopheryl                       |
| Top       | Topical                          |
| T/Band*   | Top Band                         |
| TNPS*     | Topical Negative Pressure System |
| Tr/P      | Travel Pack                      |
| Tracheo   | Tracheostomy                     |

|               |                 |
|---------------|-----------------|
| Trag          | Tragacanth      |
| T/Derm        | Transdermal     |
| Transpt/Trans | Transparent     |
| Triacet       | Triacetate      |
| Triamcinol    | Triamcinolone   |
| Trihyd        | Trihydrate      |
| Trinit        | Trinitrate      |
| Tripot        | Tripotassium    |
| Trisil        | Trisilicate     |
| Trisod        | Trisodium       |
| Trit          | Triturated      |
| Tt            | Treatment       |
| Tt/P          | Treatment Pack  |
| Tt/S          | Treatment Set   |
| Trohexyphen   | Trohexyphenidyl |
| Trop*         | Tropical        |
| Tublr         | Tubular         |
| Tubocurar     | Tubocurarine    |



# U

|           |                               |
|-----------|-------------------------------|
| U         | Unit(s) / International Units |
| U/Limb    | Upper Limb                    |
| U/Nutrit  | Ultimate Nutrition            |
| Ud        | Single Dose Unit / Unit Dose  |
| Ud VI     | Unit Dose Vial                |
| Ultrat    | Ultratard                     |
| Undecen   | Undecenoate                   |
| Unflav    | Unflavoured                   |
| Unmedic   | Unmedicated                   |
| Unsd*     | Unsalted                      |
| U/Extrem* | Upper Extremities             |
| Urin      | Urinal                        |
| Urost     | Urostomy                      |
| Urot      | Urotainer                     |
| Ustraps   | Understraps                   |

# V

|            |                     |
|------------|---------------------|
| V/Cap      | Veg Cap / Vegicap   |
| V/Spac     | Vortex Spacer       |
| V/Stkntte* | Viscose Stockinette |
| V/Tab      | Vegetab             |
| V/Tublr*   | Viscose Tubular     |
| Vac        | Vaccine             |
| Vag        | Vaginal             |
| Val        | Valerate            |
| Valpr      | Valproate           |
| Veg        | Vegetable           |
| Veget      | Vegetarian          |
| Vert       | Vertical            |
| Vinblast   | Vinblastine         |
| Visc       | Viscosity           |
| Vit        | Vitamin(s)          |
| Vit/Ser    | Vitamin Service     |
| VI         | Vial                |
| Vom        | Vomica              |
| VP         | Vapour-Permeable    |
| VW/brand*  | von Willebrand      |

# W

|          |   |
|----------|---|
| w/a      | Waist Attachment                            |
| W/B*     | Wild Berry                                  |
| W/Band   | Wideband                                    |
| W/F      | Wheat Free                                  |
| W/Fruit* | Wholefruit                                  |
| W/R      | Water Resistant / Waterproof                |
| Wbing    | Webbing                                     |
| WFI      | Water For Injection                         |
| Wfl      | With Footloop                               |
| Wind*    | Window                                      |
| Wmen     | Womens                                      |
| Wmp      | Microporous Plastic / Waterproof<br>Plastic |
| Wov      | Woven                                       |
| Wsh      | Wash  |
| Wsht     | Washout                                     |
| Wstbnd   | Waistband                                   |
| Wt       | Without                                     |
| Wte      | White                                       |
| Wtfl     | Without Footloop                            |
| WSP      | White Soft Paraffin                         |

**X**

Xylomet

Xylometazoline

# Y

Yell\*

Yellow

Yog

Yoghurt

Yoghurt/Ctd\*

Yoghurt Coated

Yr(s)

Years

YSP\*

Yellow Soft Paraffin

# Z

Zn

Zinc

Zost\*

Zoster

Zuclopenth

Zuclopenthixol