# NHS Prescription Services

## Drug and appliance abbreviations

### (Abbreviated text/unabbreviated text)

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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.
* Abbreviations that are indicated with an asterix are temporary abbreviations that are only used when the 40 character limit will be exceeded by the description
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# Drug and Appliance Abbreviation Names

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

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| **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/LipA-Pers | Alpha LipoicAnti-Perspirant |
| 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/StrpAb\*  | Adhesive StripAbdominal |
| 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 |
| AcetylsalicAct\*  | AcetylsalicylicAction |
| 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\* | Allternative |
| Alum | Aluminium |
| Ambre Sol | Ambre Solaire |
| Aminobenz | Aminobenzoate |
| Aminosal | Aminosalicylate |
| Aminosalic | Aminosalicylic |
| Ammon | Ammonium |
| Ammoniat | Ammoniated |
| Amorph | Amorphous |
| Amp | Ampoule(s) |
| Amfet | Amfetamine |
| AmlobarbAmobarb | AmlobarbitoneAmobarbital |
| Anaes\* | Anaesthetic |
| Anhy | Anhydrous |
| Ank | Ankle / Anklet |
| Antaz | Antazoline |
| Antihist\* | Antihistamine / Antihistamines |
| Antilymph | Antilymphocyte |
| Antim | Antimony |
| Antiox | Anti(-)Oxidant |
| Antis | Antiseptic |
| Antisec\* | Antisectretory |
| Apomorph | Apomorphine |
| Apothec | Apothecure |
| App | Appliance |
| Applic | Application / Applicator |
| Aq | Aqueous |
| Arach | Arachis |
| 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 |

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| **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 |
| BandBdr\*  | Bandage / BandagingBorder |
| Beclomet | Beclometasone |
| Bellad | Belladonna |
| Bendroflumeth | Bendroflumethiazide |
| Beneth | Benethamine |
| Benz | Benzoate / Benzoin |
| Benzalk | Benzalkonium |
| Benzat | Benzathine |
| Benzeth | Benzethonium |
| Benzylpen\* | Benzylpenicillin |
| 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 |

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| **C** |  |
| C/Backing\* | Comfort Backing |
| C/Bite\* | Cheese Bites |
| C/Bread\* | Crispibread |
| C/Brush\* | Cleaning Brush |
| C/Dev\*C-Dopa\* | Contraceptive DeviceCarbidopa |
| C/exity | Convexity |
| C/FC/F (Appliance)\* | Colour FreeCut-to-Fit |
| C/Fit | Cut(-)to(-)fit  |
| C/KtC/Made\*C/Natura | Circular KnitCustom MadeCombihesive Natura |
| C/Peel\* | Custom Peel |
| C/Pk | Combination Pack |
| C/R | Controlled Release |
| C/Relief\*Cld/Relief\* | Congestion ReliefCold Relief |
| C/Screw\* | Corkscrew |
| C/Sive | Combihesive |
| C/T\*C/Toe\* | Closed ToeClosed 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 |
| CassCatar\* | CassetteCatarrh |
| Cath | Catheter(s) |
| CetalkCetomac\* | CetalkoniumCetomacrogol |
| Cetylpyr | Cetylpyridinium |
| CFF | CFC Free / Chlorofluorocarbon Free |
| Chble | Chewable |
| ChelChew/GChkn | Chelate / Chelated / ChelatingChewing GumChicken |
| Child | Children(s) |
| Chir | Chiropody |
| Chlor | Chloride |
| Chloramphen | Chloramphenicol |
| Chlorbut | Chlorbutol |
| Chlordiazepox | Chlordiazepoxide |
| Chlorhex | Chlorhexidine |
| Chlorin | Chlorinated |
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| Chlorof | Chloroform |
| Chloroth | Chlorothiazide |
| Chlorphen\* | Chlorpheniramine / Chlorphenamine |
| Chlortet | Chlortetracycline |
| Choc | Chocolate |
| Chond\* | Chondroitin |
| Chorion | Chorionic |
| Chrom | Chromium |
| CilastCin\* | CilastatinCinnamon |
| Circ\* | Circular |
| Cit | Citrate |
| CL1\* | Class 1 |
| CL2\* | Class2 |
| Clavul | Clavulanic |
| CleanCLO\*  | CleaningCod Liver Oil |
| ClobetClomethiClsd\*Clsr\* | ClobetasoneClomethiazoleClosedClosure |
| Clpsble | Collapsible |
| Clr | Clear |
| Cntrl | Central |
| CoCoal Tar Sn\*Collect\* | CompoundCoal Tar SolnCollection |
| Collod | Collodion |
| Colo | Colostomy |
| Colr | Colour |
| Colecal | Cholecal |
| Comb | Combination |
| Comp | Complex |
| Compreh/Care | Comprehensive Care |
| Compress/Comp\* (Appliance) | Compression |
| Conc | Concentrate / Concentrated |
| Cond | Conditioner |
| Conform | Conformable / Conforming  |
| Congest\* | Congestion |
| Conj | Conjugated |
| Connctr | Connector |
| Cont | Continuation |
| Contr | Contour / Contoured / Contouring |
| ContracepConv\* | ContraceptiveConvex |
| Coriand | Coriander |
| Cortico | Corticotrophin |
| CottCran\* | CottonCranberry |
| Crble | Crushable |
| Crm | Cream(s) |
| Cryst | Crystalline / Crystals |
| CtdCtrl\*Cuff\* | CoatedControlCuffed |
| Cust | Custard |
| Cyclobarb | Cyclobarbitone |
| Cyclopenth | Cyclopenthiazide |
| Cylin\* | Cylinder |
| Cylind | Cylindrical |
| Cyprote | Cyproterone |

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| **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/Fltr\* | Dual Filter |
| D/Grey\* | Dark Grey |
| D/P | Dry Powder |
| D/Pk | Dual 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 | Dibrompropamidine |
| Diethylcarb | Diethylcarbamazine |
| Diges | Digestive |
| Digit | Digitalis |
| Digluc | Digluconate |
| Dihydroch | Dihydrochloride |
| Dihydrocod | Dihydrocodeine\* |
| Di-Iodohydroxyquin | Di-Iodohydroxyquinoline |
| Dil | Diluent / Dilution |
| Dinit | Dinitrate |
| Diox | Dioxide |
| Dip | Diphtheria |
| Dipot | Dipotassium |
| Diprop | Dipropionate |
| Disod | Disodium |
| Disp | Disposable |
| DisperDith\* | DispersibleDithranol |
| Dlysis | Dialysis |
| Dps | Drops |
| Drain | Drainage |
| Dress | Dressing(s) |
| Drnbl | Drainable |
| Duo/P | Duo(-)Pack |
| Dust Pdr | Dusting Powder |

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| **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 |
| EmulsifEmWax\* | Emulsifying / EmulsifiedEmulsifying Wax |
| Enant | Enantate |
| Encap | Encapsulations |
| EnemEntacap\* | Enema(s)Entacapone |
| Enzym | Enzymes |
| Ephed | Ephedrine |
| Erbum\* | Erbumine |
| Essent | Essential |
| Est | Esterified |
| Ethidiol | Ethynodiol |
| 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 |

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| **F** |  |
| F/CF/Act\*F/Feet | Film-CoatedFast ActingFoldaway Feet |
| F/Fruits\* | Forest Fruits |
| F/Mint\*F-P | FreshmintFoam Padded |
| F/R | Fast Release |
| F/SF/Wtr\*Fact\*Fen\* | Food StateFruit WaterFactorFenestrated |
| FerrFibrinog\* | FerrousFibrinogen |
| Fibrin\* | Fibrinolysis |
| Flav | Flavours / Flavoured / Flavour |
| Flbd | Flat Bed |
| Fle | Female |
| FlngFloat\* | FlangeFloating |
| Flr | Flower(s) |
| Fltr | Filter |
| Fluclox | Flucloxacillin |
| Fludrocort | Fludrocortisone |
| Fluoresc | Fluorescein |
| Fluorome | Fluorometholone |
| Flx | Flexible |
| Follitrop\* | Follitropin Alfa |
| For | Formula |
| Form | Formulation(s) |
| Foy | Foley |
| FractFrag/Free\* | FractionFragrance Free |
| Fresh | Freshener |
| Froz | Frozen |
| Ft | Fortifier / Fortified |
| Fte | Forte |
| Fumar | Fumarate |
| Fur | Furoate |

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| **G** |  |
| G/Cap\* | Gel Cap |
| G/F | Gluten Free |
| G/Natur | Good N Natural |
| G/R\*G-Seal\* | Gastro-ResistantGoldenseal |
| G/Top\* | Grip Top |
| Garg | Gargle |
| Gaunt\* | Gauntlet |
| Gent | Gentian |
| Gluc\* | Glucose |
| Glucon | Gluconate |
| Glucosam\*Glyc\* | GlucosamineGlycerine |
| Glycerophos | Glycerophosphate |
| G/manGmt\* | GermanGarment |
| Gonadotroph | Gonadotrophin |
| Gppe | Generically Prescribed Proprietary Equivalent |
| Gramic | Gramicidin |
| Gran | Granules |
| Guaiphen\* | Guaiphenesin |
| Guaneth | Guanethidine |
| Gz | Gauze |

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| **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\*H/Fvr Rel\* | HayfeverHayfever Relief |
| H/Fier | Humidifier |
| H/Fltr\* | Humidifilter |
| H/Flw\* | High Flow |
| H/Gel | Hydrogel |
| 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 |
| HeadHead/Rel\* | HeadacheHead Relief |
| Heptahyd | Heptahydrate |
| Hexacet | Hexacetonide |
| Hexametaphos | Hexametaphosphate |
| Hexan | Hexanoate |
| High-Pot | High Potency |
| Hnap | Hydroxynaphthoate |
| Homatr | Homatropine |
| Hon + Lem\*Horiz\* | Honey + LemonHorizontal |
| Hose | Hosiery |
| HospHot Lem | HospitalHot Lemon |
| Hr\* | Hour |
| HumHumPapvirus\* | HumanHuman Papillomavirus |
| 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 |

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| **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/VIchtham\* | IntravenousIchthammol |
| Ind/Pleural | Indwelling Plural |
| Idox | Idoxuridine |
| Ids | Integrated Disconnect System |
| Ilnd | 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 | Indewelling Pleural |
| Inf | Infusion |
| Ingred | Ingredient |
| Inh | Inhalant / Inhalation |
| Inha | Inhaler |
| Init\* | Initation |
| 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 |

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| **J** |  |
| J/Care\* | Jointcare |
| Just W/Foods | Just Wholefoods |
| Jnr | Junior |

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

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| **L** |  |
| (L)\* | Left |
| L | Litre |
| L+R\* | Lock n Roll / Lock & Roll |
| L/AL/C\* L/Conv\*L-Dopa\*  | Long-ActingLow compressionLight ConvexLevodopa |
| L/Extrem\* | Lower Extremities |
| L/Last | Long Lasting |
| L/M\* | Lemon/Menthol |
| L/PL/Par\*L/Press\* | Low ProteinLiquid ParaffinLow Pressure |
| L/Prof | Low Profile |
| L/S\* | Long Sleeve |
| L/Salted\* | Lightly Salted |
| L/TapL-TartL-Wt | Lever TapL-TartrateLightweight |
| Lact | Lactate |
| Lacta | Lactase |
| Lacto | Lactose |
| Lactobi | Lactobionate |
| Lamb | Lamberts |
| Latt | Lattice |
| Lax | Laxative |
| Lem | Lemon |
| Lent | Lentard |
| Levobupiv | Levobupivicaine |
| 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) |
| Ltx | Latex |
| Lubri | Lubricating |
| Lutrop\* | Lutropin |
| Lux\* | Luxury |
| LVSD | Large Volume Spacer Device |
| Lymph/Lym\* | Lymphoedema |
| LynoestLyoph\* | LynoestrenolLyophilisates |

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| **M** |  |
| M.D. Form | M.D. Formulations |
| M/Aper | Multi-Apertured |
| M/Bark\* | Maritime Bark |
| M/CellM/chamb | MicrocellMultichamber |
| M/D | Multiple Dose |
| M/Fit\* | Mould-to-Fit |
| M/Grn | Multigrain |
| M/Fibre | Multifibre / Muli-Fibre |
| M/Layer | Multi(-)Layer |
| M/M\*M/MacaroonM/Odour\* | Made to MeasureMini MacaroonMulti Odour |
| M/Pse | Multi Purpose |
| M/R | Modified Release |
| M/Strch\* | Multistretch |
| M/Tt/SM/Vit\*  | Maintenance Treatment SetMultivitamins |
| 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 | Methotrimeprazine |
| 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 |
| Minjet | Min-I-Jet |
| Mix | Mixture |
| Mixt | Mixtard |
| ml | Millilitre |
| Mob | Mobility |
| Moist | Moist / Moisturiser / Moisturising / Moisture / Moistening |
| Mon\* | Months |
| Monof | Monofilament |
| Monohyd | Monohydrate |
| Mononit | Mononitrate |
| Monosulph | Monosulphate |
| Monot | Monotard |
| Morph | Morphine |
| Mozz | Mozzarella |
| Mth | Mouth |
| Mthpce | Mouthpiece |
| MthwshMucoadh\* | MouthwashMucoadhesive |
| Multi | Multiple |
| Multimin | Multimineral(s) |
| Multivit | Multivitamin |
| Musc | Muscular |
| Myrist  | Myristate |

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| **N** |  |
| N/Centre | Nutri Centre |
| N/Drsy\* | 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/SunshineN-wing | Natures SunshineNon-winged |
| Naphaz | Naphazoline |
| Napsyl | Napsylate |
| Natur | Natural (s) |
| Natur Healing | Natural Healing Services |
| Neb | Nebulizer / Nebuliser |
| Neonat\* | Neonatal |
| NeostigNephrost\* | NeostigmineNephrostomy |
| 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 |

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| **O** |  |
| O/B\* | Outback |
| O/Bal\* | Oral Balance |
| O/End\* | Open End |
| O/Lap | Overlap |
| O/S | Outsize |
| O/T\*O/Toe\* | Open ToeOpen Toe |
| OT/Vl | Onco-Tain Vial |
| O/Vl | Onco-Vial |
| O/Wov | Open Wove |
| OAD | One-A-Day |
| Ocean\* | Oceanic |
| Od’ls | Odourless |
| Oestro | Oestrogens |
| Oint | Ointment(s) |
| Ol\* | Olive |
| Ophth | Ophthalmic |
| Opqe | Opaque |
| Opt | Optima |
| Orch | Orchic |
| Orcipren | Orciprenaline |
| Oreg\* | Oregano |
| Org | Orgaject |
| Organ | Organic |
| OrigOrng\* | OriginalOrange |
| Orodisper | Orodispersible |
| Oromuc | Oromucosal |
| Orthophos | Orthophosphate |
| Outl | Outlet |
| Ox | Oxide |
| Oxal | Oxalate |
| Oxyphenbut | Oxyphenbutazone |

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| **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/FP/Mint\* | Preservative Free / Without PreservativePeppermint |
| P/R | Prolonged Release |
| P/Rel\* | Pain Relief |
| P/Seed\* | Pumpkin Seed |
| P/Spy | Pump Spray |
| Pop/Seed\* | Poppy Seed |
| Paed | Paediatric |
| PalmPamid\* | PalmitatePamidronate |
| PancreaPant Brief\* | PancreaticPantie Brief |
| Pantoth | Pantothenate |
| Papaver | Papaverine |
| Paracet | Paracetamol |
| Paraf | Paraffin |
| Parahydroxybenz | Parahydroxybenzoate |
| Parent | Parenteral |
| Pastil | Pastille(s) |
| Patch | Patch(es) |
| Pch\*Pcs\* | PouchPieces |
| 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 |
| PhentolamPhenylbut | PhentolaminePhenylbutyrate |
| 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) |
| PreserPre-Thick\* | PreservativePre-Thickened |
| Prev | Previously |
| Priloc\* | Prilocaine |
| Prnt | Print/Printed |
| Prochlpzine | Prochlorperazine |
| Prop | Proprionate |
| Proper Nutrit | Proper Nutrition |
| Propylhydroxybenz | Propylhydroxybenzoate |
| Prot | Protamine |
| Prote | Protection / Protective(s) / Proctector / Protectant |
| Pseudoephed | Pseudoephedrine |
| Pst\*Ptse\* | PasteProtease |
| Pud\* | Pudding |
| Pur | Purified |
| Pyridostig | Pyridostigmine |
| Pyridox | Pyridoxine |

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| **Q** |  |
| Q/Lorraine | Quiche Lorraine |
| Quinalbarb | Quinalbarbitone |

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| **R** |  |
| (R)\* | Right |
| R/Cakes\* | Rice Cakes |
| R/CapR/Fruits\*R/HalerR/Currant\*R + C\*R/Hip\* | RotacapRed FruitsRotahalerRedcurrantRice + CornRosehip |
| R+Lem | Rice + Lemon |
| Rapit | Rapitard |
| Rasp | Raspberry |
| Rauwol | Rauwolfia |
| Reag\* | Reagent |
| Rect | Rectangular |
| Ref | Refill(s) |
| Reg\* | Regular |
| Rehyd | Rehydration |
| Reinf | Reinforcing |
| RemRemov | Remedy/RemediesRemover |
| Rep | Replacement |
| Repel | Repellent |
| Repr | Repair(s) |
| Resist | Resistant |
| Resp | Respirator |
| Ret | Retard |
| Retin\* | Retinol |
| RetainReuse\* | RetainerReusable |
| RTD | Ready(-)To(-)Drink |
| Rubb | Rubber |

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| **S** |  |
| (S) | Solid |
| S/AS/Acid\* | Self-AspiratingSalicylic Acid |
| S/BS/Barr\* | Sun Bloc / Sun Block / Sunblock Skin Barrier  |
| S/Backing | Soft Backing |
| S/Beige\* | Split Beige |
| S/CS/Cloth\*S/Convex\* | Sugar-CoatedSoft ClothSoft Convex |
| S/Convexity\* | Shallow Convexity |
| S/Cover | Soft Cover |
| S/D\* | Sourdough |
| S/FS/FlowS/Fruits | Sugar FreeStarflowerSummer 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\*S/Strap\* | Slightly SaltedShoulder Strap |
| S/Throat\*S/Touch\*S/Use | Sore ThroatSoft TouchSingle 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 Vl | Single Dose Vial |
| Secobarb | Secobarbital |
| Semisod | Semisodium |
| Semit | Semitard |
| Sens  | Sensitive |
| Ser | Serine |
| SesquicarbSgr\* | SesquicarbonateSugar |
| 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 |
| SuccinylsulpathiSulf | SuccinylsulpathiazoleSulfate |
| 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 |
| SustSwtnr\* | SustainedSweetener |
| Syn | Synthetic |
| Syner | Synergy / Synergistic |
| Syr | Syrup |
| Syrg | Syringe |

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| **T** |  |
| T-\* | Type |
| T/Act | Triple Action |
| TADT/Band\*T/Cough\* | Two A DayTop BandTickly Cough |
| T/Cth | Transcath |
| T/Derm\*Ti/P\*T/Lucent\* | TransdermalTritation PackTranslucent |
| T/Over | Turnover |
| T/R | Time Release |
| T&RTr/P\* | Thornton & RossTravel Pack |
| Tab | Tablet(s) |
| Tagliat | Tagliatelle |
| Tamp | Tampon |
| Tart | Tartrate |
| Tet | Tetanus |
| Tetracai | Tetracaine |
| Tetraco | Tetracosactrin |
| Tetraso | Tetrasodium |
| Theophyl | Theophyllinate |
| Thiosulph/Thiosulf | Thiosulphate / Thiosulfate |
| Tinct | Tincture(s) |
| Tiss | Tissue |
| TNPS\*  | Tropical Negative Pressure System |
| Tocoph | Tocopheryl |
| Top | Topical |
| Tracheo | Tracheostomy |
| Trag | Tragacanth |
| 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 |

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| **U** |  |
| UU/Extrem\*U/Limb | Unit(s) / International UnitsUpper ExtremitiesUpper Limb |
| U/NutritU/Sex\* | Ultimate NutritionUnisex |
| Ud | Single Dose Unit / Unit Dose |
| Ud Vl | Unit Dose Vial |
| UltratUncuff\* | UltratardUncuffed |
| Undecen | Undecenoate |
| UnflavUnguen\* | UnflavouredUnguentum M |
| Unmedic | Unmedicated |
| Unsd\* | Unsalted |
| Urin | Urinal |
| Urost | Urostomy |
| Urot | Urotainer |
| Ustraps | Understraps |

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

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| **W** |  |
| w/a | Waist Attachment |
| W/B\*W/Band | Wild BerryWideband |
| W/F | Wheat Free |
| W/Fruit\* | Wholefruit |
| W/R | Water Resistant / Waterproof |
| Wbing | Webbing |
| WFI | Water For Injection |
| Wfl | With Footloop |
| Wind\*Wk\*Wkly\* | WindowWeekWeekly |
| Wmen | Womens |
| Wmp | Microporous Plastic / Waterproof Plastic |
| Wov | Woven |
| Wsh | Wash |
| Wsht | Washout |
| Wstbnd | Waistband |
| Wt | Without |
| Wte | White |
| WtflWtr\*WSP | Without FootloopWaterWhite Soft Paraffin |

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| **X** |  |
| Xylomet | Xylometazoline |

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| **Y** |  |
| Yell\* | Yellow |
| Yog | Yoghurt |
| Yoghurt/Ctd\* | Yoghurt Coated |
| Yr(s)YSP\* | YearsYellow Soft Paraffin |

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| **Z** |  |
| Zn  | Zinc |
| Zost\* | Zoster |
| Zuclopenth | Zuclopenthixol |