

Adoport® (tacrolimus) 0.75mg capsules – out of stock

Shortage information

A shortage of Adoport® 0.75mg capsules has been identified. A resupply date of 17th May 2024 has been provided.

Prescribing in NHS Grampian

40 patients have been identified as being prescribed Adoport® 0.75mg capsules since January 2024.

Stock information & availability

- Oral tacrolimus products should be prescribed by brand name only.
- Tacrolimus has a narrow therapeutic index, and even minor differences in blood levels have the potential to cause transplant rejection or adverse reactions.
- Switches between tacrolimus brands requires careful medical supervision and therapeutic monitoring.
- While other strengths of Adoport® remain available, for patients who take a dose of 0.75mg, there is not lower strengths that can be used to make up this dose.

Actions for primary care

For some patient's, personal stock as well as stock within the community pharmacy network may mean that no change to prescribing is required. No proactive switching should be undertaken and stock information should be ascertained prior to undertaking a switch.

1. Review list of patients prescribed Adoport® 0.75mg capsules and contact patient to confirm how much medication they have.
2. Where a patient confirms they do not have enough medication to cover the duration of supply issue, contact the patient's community pharmacy to ascertain if there is any stocks within the network.
3. Where it is confirmed that there is a shortfall in medication (between patient personal stocks and stock within the community pharmacy network), the appropriate service should be contacted without delay:
 - For renal transplant patients contact transplant nurses.
 - For any other transplants please contact the recommending speciality

Data information

Data provided is ePrescribed (January 2024 – April 2024, run 22/04/24)

The data provides prescribing information. It does not confirm that the prescription has been dispensed by community pharmacy or collected by the patient.

The data only captures electronic prescribing information – any handwritten prescriptions will not be included.

Duplicate CHI have been removed for ease of use.

Further information

- [Shortage of Adoport \(tacrolimus\) 0.75mg hard capsules – SPS - Specialist Pharmacy Service – The first stop for professional medicines advice](#)
- [Immediate: oral tacrolimus products should be prescribed and dispensed by brand name to avoid risk of medication errors \(scot.nhs.uk\)](#)
- [Tacrolimus | Drugs | BNF | NICE](#)
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