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**IMPORTANT NOTIFICATION**

**Discontinuation Advice for Hypurin Neutral & Hypurin Isophane 100 IU/1mL injection multidose 10 mL vial x 1 (Bovine Insulin)**

Wockhardt UK Ltd have advised us of their plans to discontinue of bovine-derived insulin from the end of the year due to global unavailability of the bovine active pharmaceutical ingredient. They expect supplies for the majority of presentations to remain in the supply chain after this date. The table below indicates the likely stock depletion date for each Hypurin® Bovine Insulin (based on their current global demand and global stock inventories)

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| **Description** | **Form** | **Predicted depletion date (Global)** |
| Hypurin® Bovine Isophane | 3ml Cartridges | December 2017 (Product Expiry) |
| Hypurin® Bovine Neutral | 3ml Cartridges | June 2018 |
| Hypurin® Bovine Neutral | 10ml Vial | July 2018 |
| Hypurin® Bovine Isophane | 10ml Vial | December 2018 |
| Hypurin® Bovine Lente (IZS) | 10ml Vial | May 2019 (Product Expiry) |
| Hypurin® Bovine PZI | 10ml Vial | August 2019 |

Further information on the bovine product discontinuation may be found at   
<http://www.wockhardt.co.uk/our-products/bovine-insulin-hcp-information.aspx>

**Australian bovine insulin impact:**

The following presentations of Aspen bovine insulin in Australia will be affected:

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| **EAN** | **Molecule** | **Aspen Item Code** | **PBS** | **Description** |
| 9331134928184 | Insulin bovine | 07264 | PBS | Hypurin Isophane 10 ml vials |
| 9331134928191 | Insulin bovine | 07265 | PBS | Hypurin Neutral 10 ml vials |

We are working with our supplier Wockhardt UK Ltd to determine the availability of supply for Australia, and will continue to provide information on availability as well as on stock depletion dates as it becomes available.

Should you have any queries in relation to this matter, please contact Aspen Australia via email at [customerservice@aspenpharmacare.com.au](mailto:customerservice@aspenpharmacare.com.au)**, or contact Customer Service at 1300 659 646 ,option 3**

**This discontinuation does not affect supplies of Hypurin Porcine Insulins.**

Yours faithfully

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