

2024 SAFE LIST: Drugs that are considered to be **SAFE** for use in the acute porphyrias

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This list is based on the best information available to us at the time of compilation and provides guidance on drugs to use first line. It is not intended to be comprehensive. Inclusion of a drug does not guarantee that it will be safe in all circumstances. For information on medication not listed and advice on the use of antiretrovirals, antineoplastics or other complex treatment scenarios please contact UKPMIS by telephone (**029 2184 2251**), or see our website <https://www.wmic.wales.nhs.uk/specialist-services/drugs-in-porphyria/>. Unfortunately we are unable to accept enquiries via e-mail.

Healthcare professionals requiring clinical advice on the management of acute porphyria attacks should contact NAPS on 029 2074 7747 – available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

All topical preparations (including topical antifungals, lice treatments & eye drops) are considered safe, when applied to intact skin or mucosa.

Abatacept	Belimumab	Co-careldopa	Eprosartan
Acamprosate	Bendroflumethiazide	Codeine phosphate	Eptifibatide
Acebutolol	Benralizumab	Co-fluampicil ¹	Ergocalciferol
Acetazolamide	Benzylpenicillin	Colchicine	Ertapenem
Acetylcysteine	Betahistine	Colecalciferol	Ertugliflozin
Aciclovir	Betamethasone	Colesevelam	Escitalopram
Acidinium bromide	Betaxolol	Colestipol	Esmolol
Adalimumab	Bevacizumab	Colestyramine	Esomeprazole
Adenosine	Bezafibrate	Contrast media – gadolinium-based	Etanercept
Adrenaline	Bisacodyl	Contrast media – Gastrografin®	Ethambutol
Aflibercept	Bisoprolol	Contrast media – iodine-based	Etoricoxib
Alemtuzumab	Budesonide	COVID-19 vaccines	Exenatide
Alendronic acid	Bumetanide	Cyclizine	Ezetimibe
Alfacalcidol	Bupivacaine	Cycloserine	Famciclovir
Alfentanil	Buprenorphine	Dabigatran	Felodipine
Alginates (e.g. Gaviscon®, Peptac®)	Calcitriol	Dalteparin	Fenofibrate
Allopurinol	Calcium polystyrene sulfonate	Danaparoid	Fentanyl
Almotriptan	Calcium salts	Dapagliflozin	Fexofenadine
Alogliptin	Canagliflozin	Darbepoetin	Fidaxomicin
Alpha tocopheryl/tocopherol	Canakinumab	Deflazacort	Filgrastim
Alteplase	Candesartan	Demeclocycline	Flucloxacillin ¹
Aluminium salts	Captopril	Denosumab	Flucytosine
Amantadine	Carbimazole	Desferrioxamine	Fludrocortisone
Amikacin	Carboprost	Desflurane	Flumazenil
Amiloride	Carvedilol	Desloratadine	Fluoxetine
Aminophylline	Caspofungin	Dexamethasone	Fluticasone
Amisulpride	Cefaclor	Dextromethorphan	Fluvastatin
Amitriptyline	Cefadroxil	Diamorphine	Fluvoxamine
Amlodipine	Cefalexin	Diazepam	Fondaparinux
Amoxicillin	Cefepime	Diclofenac	Formoterol
Amphotericin	Cefixime	Dicycloverine	Fosfomycin
Ampicillin	Cefotaxime	Digoxin	Fosinopril
Anakinra	Cefotaxime	Dihydrocodeine	Furosemide
Anidulafungin	Cefradine	Dimeticone	Fusidic acid
Apixaban	Ceftaroline	Dinoprostone	Gabapentin
Arachis oil enema	Ceftazidime	Diphenhydramine	Galantamine
Argatroban	Ceftriaxone	Diphtheria/tetanus/ pertussis/polio vaccine	Ganciclovir
Aripiprazole	Cefuroxime	Diphtheria/tetanus/pertussis/ polio/Hib/hepatitis B vaccine	G-CSF (Granulocyte-colony stimulating factor)
Articaine	Celecoxib	Dipyridamole	Gemprost
Ascorbic acid	Certolizumab	Dobutamine	Gemfibrozil
Aspirin	Cetirizine	Domperidone	Gentamicin
Atenolol	Cetuximab	Dopamine	Glipizide
Atomoxetine	Chloroquine	Doxazosin	Glucagon
Atorvastatin	Chlorphenamine	Doxycycline	Glucosamine
Atovaquone	Ciclesonide	Dulaglutide	Glycerol suppositories
Atracurium	Ciclosporin	Duloxetine	Glyceryl trinitrate
Atropine	Cimetidine	Eculizumab	Glycopyrronium
Azathioprine	Cinacalcet	Eletriptan	Golimimumab
Azithromycin	Ciprofloxacin	Empagliflozin	Granisetron
Aztreonam	Cisatracurium	Enalapril	Haloperidol
Baclofen	Citalopram	Enoxaparin	Heparin, unfractionated
Balsalazide	Clobazam	Entacapone	Hepatitis A vaccine
Barium sulphate	Clonazepam	Epinephrine	Hepatitis B vaccine
Basiliximab	Clonidine	Eplerenone	Hib/Meningococcal group C vaccine
BCG vaccine	Clopidogrel	Epoetin	Human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine
Beclometasone	Clozapine		
Belatacept	Co-amoxiclav		
	Co-beneldopa		

Hydrocortisone	Meropenem	Phenoxyethylpenicillin	Sotrovimab
Hyoscine butylbromide	Meropenem with vaborbactam	Phenylephrine	Sterculia
Hyoscine hydrobromide	Mesalazine	Phosphate enema	Streptokinase
Ibandronic acid	Metformin	Phosphate salts	Strontium
Ibuprofen	Methadone	Phytomenadione	Sulpiride
Imipenem	Methotrexate	Pindolol	Sumatriptan
Immunoglobulins	Methylcellulose	Pioglitazone	Suxamethonium
Indometacin	Methylnaltrexone bromide	Piperacillin with tazobactam	Tacrolimus
Infliximab	Methylphenidate	Pneumococcal conjugate vaccine	Tadalafil
Influenza vaccine (inactivated)	Methylprednisolone	Pneumococcal polysaccharide vaccine	Tamsulosin
Influenza vaccine (live attenuated)	Metoclopramide	Pramipexole	Teicoplanin
Insulins	Metoprolol	Prasugrel	Telmisartan
Ipratropium bromide	Metronidazole	Pravastatin	Temazepam
Irbesartan	Midazolam ³	Prazosin	Tenecteplase
Iron salts	Midodrine	Prednisolone	Terazosin
Isoflurane	Mirabegron	Pregabalin	Terbinafine
Isosorbide dinitrate	Mirtazapine	Prilocaline	Terbutaline
Isosorbide mononitrate	Misoprostol	Primaquine	Tetanus/diphtheria/polio vaccine
Ispaghula husk	Mivacurium	Prochlorperazine	Tetracosactide
Ivabradine	Mizolastine	Proguanil	Theophylline
Ketoprofen	Mometasone	Promethazine	Thiamine
Labetalol	Morphine	Propofol ³	Ticagrelor
Lacosamide	Moxifloxacin	Propranolol	Tigecycline
Lactulose	Moxonidine	Propylthiouracil	Tildrakizumab
Lamotrigine	Multivitamins	Prucalopride	Timolol
Lansoprazole	Mycophenolate mofetil	Pseudoephedrine	Tinzaparin
Leflunomide	Mycophenolic acid	Pyrazinamide	Tiotropium
Lenograstim	Nadolol	Pyridostigmine	Tirofiban
Lercanidipine	Naftidrofuryl	Pyridoxine	Tirzepatide
Levetiracetam	Naloxone	Quetiapine	Tobramycin
Levobunolol	Naproxen	Quinapril	Tocilizumab
Levofloxacin	Naratriptan	Quinine	Tolterodine
Levomepromazine	Natalizumab	Rabeprazole	Tolvaptan
Levothyroxine	Nateglinide	Ramipril	Tramadol
Lidocaine ²	Nebivolol	Remifentanyl	Trandolapril
Linacotide	Neostigmine	Repaglinide	Tranexamic acid
Linagliptin	Nicotinamide	Ribavirin	Trastuzumab
Linezolid	Nicotine replacement therapy	Risedronate	Trazodone
Liothyronine	Nifedipine	Rituximab	Triamcinolone
Lipegfilgrastim	Nimodipine	Rivaroxaban	Trifluoperazine
Liquid paraffin enema	Nitrous oxide	Rizatriptan	Umeclidinium
Liraglutide	Noradrenaline	Rocuronium	Urokinase
Lisinopril	Norepinephrine	Rosuvastatin	Ursodeoxycholic acid
Lithium carbonate	Nortriptyline	Rotavirus vaccine	Ustekinumab
Lithium citrate	Nuclear medicine – technetium ⁴	Salbutamol	Valaciclovir
Lixisenatide	Nystatin	Salmeterol	Valganciclovir
Loperamide	Octreotide	Sarilumab	Valsartan
Loratadine	Ofloxacin	Saxagliptin	Vancomycin
Lorazepam	Olanzapine	Semaglutide	Varicella-zoster vaccine
Losartan	Omeprazole	Senna	Vedolizumab
Lymecycline	Ondansetron	Sertraline	Venlafaxine
Macrogols	Orlistat	Sevelamer	Vigabatrin
Magnesium citrate with sodium picosulfate	Osetamivir	Shingles vaccine	Vildagliptin
Magnesium salts	Oxycodone	Sildenafil	Vitamin A
Measles/mumps/rubella vaccine	Oxytocin	Siltuximab	Vitamin B
Mebendazole	Paliperidone	Simeticone	Vitamin C
Mebeverine	Palivizumab	Simvastatin	Vitamin D
Mefloquine	Pamidronate disodium	Sitagliptin	Vitamin E
Melatonin	Pancuronium	Sodium bicarbonate	Vitamin K
Meloxicam	Panitumumab	Sodium citrate enema	Warfarin
Memantine	Pantoprazole	Sodium clodronate	Zanamivir
Menadiol	Paracetamol	Sodium fusidate	Zinc preparations
Meningococcal group B vaccine	Paraldehyde	Sodium picosulfate	Zoledronic acid
Meningococcal groups A, C, W, Y vaccine	Paroxetine	Sodium zirconium cyclosilicate	Zolmitriptan
Mepivacaine	Pegfilgrastim	Solifenacin	Zonisamide
	Penicillamine	Sotalol	Zopiclone
	Perindopril arginine		
	Perindopril erbumine		
	Pethidine		

1. Conflicting safety advice for flucloxacillin. Consider an alternative in high risk patients. Contact UKPMIS for further advice.

2. Intravenous doses should be used with caution.

3. Clinical safety has not been assessed for continuous use of these preparations.

4. Clinical safety has not been assessed for compounds combined with technetium.