

## 2026 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 2003 2011**), or see our website [www.wmic.wales.nhs.uk/porphyria](http://www.wmic.wales.nhs.uk/porphyria).

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

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

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.