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Medicine Supply Notification: Latanoprost 50micrograms/ml / Timolol 5mg/ml
(Fixapost®) eye drops 0.2ml unit dose preservative free

Tier 2 – medium impact
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Summary

- Latanoprost 50micrograms/ml / Timolol 5mg/ml (Fixapost®) eye drops 0.2ml unit dose preservative free are out of stock until early February 2026.
- Latanoprost 50micrograms/ml / Timolol 5mg/ml (Vizilatan Duo®) eye drops preservative free remain available and can support the increased demand.
- Separate latanoprost and timolol preservative free topical eye presentations remain available.
- A Serious Shortage Protocols (SSP) for Fixapost® preservative free eye drops was issued on 19/12/2025.

Actions Required

Prescribers should not initiate new patients on Fixapost® preservative free eye drops until the supply issue has resolved.

Where existing patients have insufficient supply to last until the re-supply date(s), prescribers should:

- consider prescribing Vizilatan Duo® eye drops, ensuring that the patient is counselled on the correct use of the dropper device, the 4-week in-use shelf life and reassured that the product is preservative free (see supporting information); or
- consider prescribing latanoprost and timolol containing preservative free topical eye presentations separately, if Vizilatan Duo® eye drops are not suitable, ensuring that the patient is counselled on sequential administration of the eye drops (see supporting information), and
- take into account treatment history including hypersensitivity or adverse reactions to topical eye preparations.

Where a prescription for Fixapost® preservative free eye drops is presented and cannot be fulfilled, community pharmacists and dispensing doctors should:

- supply Vizilatan Duo® eye drops in accordance with SSP086 for eligible patients;
- ensure patients/ carers are counselled on use of this product; and
- refer back to the prescriber any patient deemed ineligible for, or who does not consent to receive an alternative product via the SSP.

Supporting information

Clinical information

Fixapost® is indicated in adults for the reduction of intraocular pressure in patients with open angle glaucoma and ocular hypertension who are insufficiently responsive to topical beta-blockers or prostaglandin analogues. It is presented as single dose containers and administered once daily.

Vizilatan Duo® contains identical components to Fixapost® and is also preservative free. It is presented in a multidose container. Patients should be:

- counselled on the need to pump the bottle 15 times to remove the air and prevent foaming of the drops, as advised in the patient information leaflet (PIL); [Hreferralspccleanen](#)
- advised not to discard the pack after the first dose as it is a multidose bottle and to discard 4 weeks after opening; and
- reassured that this product is preservative free and can be used up to 4 weeks from opening.

The components of Fixapost® are also available separately as preservative free products: Monopost® (latanoprost 50micrograms/ml eye drops 0.2ml unit dose) and Eysano® (timolol 5mg/ml eye drops).

After administering latanoprost, allow at least 15 minutes before administering timolol to allow time for latanoprost to be absorbed

Links to further information

- SmPC Fixapost® Preservative Free Eye Drops [Fixapost Preservative Free Eye Drops - Summary of Product Characteristics \(SmPC\) - \(emc\) | 9830](#)
- SmPC Vizilatan® Duo 50 micrograms/mL + 5 mg/mL eye drops, solution [Vizilatan Duo 50 micrograms/mL + 5 mg/mL eye drops, solution - Summary of Product Characteristics \(SmPC\) - \(emc\) | 15686](#)
- PIL Vizilatan Duo® 50 micrograms/mL + 5 mg/mL eye drops, solution [Hreferralspccleanen](#)
- SmPC MONOPOST® (latanoprost) 50 mcg/ml eye drops, solution in single-dose container [MONOPOST latanoprost 50 mcg/ml eye drops, solution in single-dose container - Summary of Product Characteristics \(SmPC\) - \(emc\) | 2978](#)
- Serious shortage protocols (BSO website) [Serious Shortage Protocols \(SSP's \) - Business Services Organisation \(BSO\) Website](#)
- SmPC Eysano® (timolol) 5mg/ml Eye Drops, Solution [Eysano 5mg/ml Eye Drops, Solution - Summary of Product Characteristics \(SmPC\) - \(emc\) | 2534](#)
- BNF Latanoprost with timolol [Latanoprost with timolol | Drugs | BNF | NICE](#)
- BNF Treatment summary - Glaucoma and ocular hypertension [Glaucoma and ocular hypertension | Treatment summaries | BNF | NICE](#)
- CKS Glaucoma [Glaucoma | Health topics A to Z | CKS | NICE](#)