

Availability of Spectinomycin

Spectinomycin is still used occasionally in the UK for the treatment of gonorrhoea in cases of penicillin allergy.

Spectinomycin has been in short supply for some time in the UK. We have contacted the main suppliers of wholesale non licensed medicines in the UK, IDIS of Weybridge and Durbin of South Harrow, Middx and have obtained the drug from Durbin who have imported it from Pfizer Belgium (Trobicin 2gms injection). I would suggest that people try Durbin in the first instance. The manager in charge of this section is Dipti Amin on 0208 869 6555 (d.amin@durbin.co.uk). Further details are in the BNF.

According to Martindale, Spectinomycin is still available in a limited number of countries, namely, Australia, Belgium, France, Hong Kong, India, Mexico, South Africa, Singapore, Spain and Thailand.

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