

**APPENDIX ONE:****Latex Content of Stoppers in Injectable Pharmaceutical Agents**

<i>Medication</i>	<i>Brand Name</i>	<i>Does it contain latex?</i>
Aminocaproic Acid	Amicar (Wyeth)	No
Amoxicillin	Ibiamox (Douglas)	No
Augmentin	Augmentin (SKB)	No
Benzyl penicillin	Benpen (CSL brand)	No
Bupivacaine & Adrenaline	Marcaïn (Astra)	No (see note 2)
Cefotetan	Apatef (Lederle)	No
Cefoxitin	Mefoxin (MSD)	No
Ceftriaxone	Rocephin (Roche)	No
Cefamandole	Mandol (Lilly)	No
Cephalothin	Keflin (Lilly)	No
Cephazolin	Kefzol (Lilly)	No
Cephradine	Velosef (BMS)	
Dantrolene	Dantrium (Procter and Gamble)	
Dexamethasone	(DBL brand)	
Doxapram	Dopram (AH Robbins)	No
Erythromycin	(DBL brand)	
Esmolol	Brevibloc (Du Pont)	
Ethyl Alcohol	(DBL brand)	
Flucloxacillin	Flucloxin (Douglas)	No
Glycopyrrolate	Robinul (AH Robbins)	No
Heparin	Multiparin (Artex)	No
Hydrocortisone	Solu Cortef	No
Iohexol	Omnipaque (Nycomed)	
Ketamine	Ketalar (Parke-Davis)	
Lignocaine	Xylocaine (Astra)	No (see note 2)
Lignocaine & Adrenaline	Xylocaine and Adrenaline (Astra)	No (see note 2)
Methohexitone	Brevital (Lilly)	
Methylprednisolone	Solu Medrol (Pharmacia Upjohn)	No
Nitroprusside	(DBL brand)	
Normal Saline vials	(Delta West brand)	
Prilocaine (including dental cartridges)	Citanest (Astra)	No
Propofol	Diprivan (ICI)	
Rocuronium	Esmeron (Pharmaco)	No
Sodium Bicarbonate	(DBL brand)	
Sodium and Meglumine Diatrizoate	Urograffin (Schering AG)	Yes

Tenoxicam	Tilcotil (Roche)	No
Thiopentone	Intraval (Rhone Poulenc Rorer)	No
Tobramycin	Nebcin (Lilly)	No
Triamcinolone	Kenacort A (BMS)	No
Vancomycin	Vancocin CP (Lilly)	No
Vecronium	Norcuron (Pharmaco)	No
Emla Patches	Astra	No
Polygeline	Haemacell (Hoechst)	Yes
Pentastarch	Pentaspain (Boots)	See note 1
IV fluid bags	(Baxter)	No
4% Albumen	Albumex (CSL)	No
Bupivacaine +/- fentanyl	Baxter	Additive port has latex. Supplied with a clamp on so safe if not punctured
	Astra, Polybags	Said to be safe

Notes:

1. Baxter intravenous fluid bags contain latex on the brown additive port. However this is completely separated from the fluid in the bags and therefore does not pose a problem. If additions are required to be made to the bags these should be done through the blue port and the giving set attached immediately.
2. All Astra products currently available in New Zealand do not have latex containing rubber stoppers.