

Desogestrel (Cerazette[®])

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Organon Laboratories
Summary of Recommendation

9 May 2003

The Scottish Medicines Consortium (SMC) has completed its assessment of the above product and advises NHS Boards and ADTCs on its use in NHS Scotland. The recommendation is summarised as follows:

ADVICE

Not recommended for use within NHS Scotland

RECOMMENDATION

Desogestrel is a progestogen-only contraceptive pill (POP), which may possibly have greater efficacy than other POPs, due to increased inhibition of ovulation. However the apparent benefits do not justify the increase in costs involved.

The license holder has indicated their decision to resubmit.

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