

**Ezetimibe (Ezetrol<sup>®</sup>)**

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**Merck Sharpe & Dohme / Schering-Plough Ltd (UK)  
Summary of Recommendation**

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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**

Recommended for restricted use within NHS Scotland

**RECOMMENDATION**

Ezetimibe may be considered in combination with a statin for patients who have failed to reach target cholesterol levels despite treatment with titrated/optimised statins alone. It may also be considered as monotherapy where statins are inappropriate or poorly tolerated.

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