## MANUFACTURERS OF DRUGS USED TO TREAT PARASITIC INFECTIONS

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<td>Pyrantel pamoate*</td>
<td>11 mg/kg base PO once (max. 1 g)</td>
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<td>Albendazole†</td>
<td>100 mg PO bid x 3 d</td>
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<td>OR</td>
<td>400 mg PO once</td>
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* Availability problems. See table below.

1. Not FDA-approved for this indication.
2. Pyrantel pamoate suspension can be mixed with milk or fruit juice.
3. Albendazole must be taken with food; a fatty meal increases oral bioavailability.

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- **Vibramycin** (Pfizer) – doxycycline
- **Yodoxin** (Glenwood) – iodoquinol
- **Yomesan** (Bayer, Germany) – niclosamide
- **Zithromax** (Pfizer) – azithromycin

* Available in the US only from the manufacturer.
§ Not available commercially. It may be obtained through compounding pharmacies such as Panorama Compounding Pharmacy, 6744 Balboa Blvd, Van Nuys, CA 91406 (800-247-9767) or Medical Center Pharmacy, New Haven, CT (203-688-6816). Other compounding pharmacies may be found through the National Association of Compounding Pharmacies (800-687-7850) or the Professional Compounding Centers of America (800-331-2498, www.pccarx.com).
† Available from the CDC Drug Service, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Atlanta, Georgia 30333; 404-639-3670 (evenings, weekends, or holidays: 770-488-7100).
- Also available generically.

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