



Asacol[®] HD (mesalamine) – First-Time Generic

- On August 1, 2016, [Zydus launched](#) an authorized generic version of Allergan's [Asacol HD \(mesalamine\)](#) 800 mg delayed-release tablets.
 - Zydus was awarded 180 days of market exclusivity.
- Asacol HD is indicated for the treatment of moderately active ulcerative colitis in adults.
 - Safety and effectiveness of Asacol HD beyond 6 weeks have not been established.
- Mesalamine is also available as oral tablets or capsules: [Apriso[®]](#), [Delzicol[®]](#), [Lialda[®]](#), and [Pentasa[®]](#), and as rectal preparations: [Canasa[®]](#) and [Rowasa[®]](#). The rectal preparations are available generically.
 - Indications vary for each medication.



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