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Aspartame is not only used in food, per se, but is also used in pharmaceutical products. You might be surprised by the number of products that contain aspartame. A sample research project was initiated in April 1994, with requests to companies that produce pharmaceuticals. A number of companies failed to respond to a request for information. Some companies did respond. Pumping aspartame into children is a priority:

Johnson and Johnson Pharmaceuticals:

* J&J/Merck Consumer Pharmaceuticals:

Mylanta Natural Fiber Supplement,
Sugar Free.

Lederle Laboratories:

* Centrum,Jr vitamins contain aspartame.

McNeil Consumer Products: The following McNeil Products contain aspartame:

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- * Childrens TYLENOL acetaminophen Fruit Flavored Chewable Tablets
- * Childrens TYLENOL acetaminophen Grape Flavored Chewable Tablets
- * Childrens TYLENOL acetaminophen Cold Multi-Symptom Chewable

Tablets

- * Junior Strength TYLENOL acetaminophen Fruit Flavored Chewable

Tablets

- * Junior Strength TYLENOL acetaminophen Grape Flavored Chewable

Tablets

- * PEDIACARE Cold-Allergy Tablets for Ages 6 to 12
- * PEDIACARE Cough-Cold Tablets for Ages 6 to 12
- * PEDICARE Childrens Cold Relief Tablets
- * TYLENOL Cold and Flu Hot Medication
- * TYLENOL Cold and Flu No Drowsiness Formula Hot Medication
- * Childrens Chewable CO-TYLENOLv

Miles Incorporated: The following Miles products contain aspartame:

- * ALKA-SELTZER PLUS Night-time Cold Medicine
- * ALKA-SELTZER PLUS Cold and Cough Medicine
- * ALKA-SELTZER PLUS Sinus Allergy Medicine
- * BUGS BUNNY Vitamin Products (ALL)
- * FLINTSTONES Plus Calcium Multivitamin Supplement
- * FLINTSTONES Complete Multivitamin Supplement
- * FLINTSTONES Childrens Chewable Multivitamin

A.H. Robbins Company, Inc: The following Robbins product contains aspartame.

- * DIMETAPP Cold and Allergy Chewable Tablets

Bristol-Myers Squibb Company: The following BMS product contains aspartame:

- * CEFZIL

Mead Johnson Nutritionals: The following MJN products contain aspartame:

- * TEMPRA 3 Chewable Tablets, 80mg acetaminophen tablet (3.3mg phenylalanine/tab)
- * TEMPRA 3 Double Strength Chewable Tablets, 160mg acetaminophen (6.6mg Phen/tab)

Glaxo Pharmaceuticals: The following Glaxo product contains aspartame:

- * Zantac Efferdose

Bio-Pharmaceutics: The following Bio-Pharmaceutics products contain aspartame:

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- * Childrens Chewable Acetiminophen

Pennex Products: The following Pennex Products subsidiaries manufacture

products containing aspartame: (Most introduced in 1987):

- * American Stores: SKAGGS ALPHA BETA Childrens Pain Reliever
- * Consumer Value Stores: CVS Childrens Non-Aspirin Pain Reliever
- * Drug Guild Dist: DRUG GUILD childrens anti-pain Chewable Tablets
- * First Nat'l Supermarkets: FINAST Childrens Non-Aspirin Pain

Reliever

- * Greenbox Enterprises: PRICE-WISE Childrens Non-Aspirin Pain

Reliever

- * Hannaford Bros: SHOP'N SAVE Childrens Non-Aspirin Pain Reliever
- * J.C.Penny: TREASURY Childrens Chewable Non-Aspirin Pain Reliever
- * Kinney Drugs: KINNEY'S Childrens Chewable Non-Aspirin Pain

Reliever

- * LaVerdiere's Super Drug: LV ACTION SOOTHSALL Childrens

Non-Aspirin

- * Legend Pharmaceuticals: LEGEND Childrens Chewable Non-Aspirin

P.R.

- * Malone & Hyde: HYDE PARK Childrens Non-Aspirin Pain Reliever
- * Marsh Supermarkets: MARSH Childrens Non-Aspirin Pain Reliever
- * Osco Drug: OSCO Childrens Chewable Non-Aspirin Pain Reliever
- * Pay'n Save Stores: PAY'N SAVE Childrens Chewable Non-Aspirin Pain

Reliever

- * Penned Products: GOOD HEALTH Childrens Non-Aspirin Pain Reliever
- * Peoples Drug Stores: PEOPLES Childrens Chewable Non-Aspirin Pain

Reliever

- * Piggly Wiggly Corp: PIGGLY WIGGLY Childrens Chewable Non-Aspirin

P.R.

- * Rite Aid Corp.: RITE AID Childrens Acetaminophen Non-Aspirin Pain

Reliever

- * Scriver: SUPER TRU Childrens Non-Aspirin Pain Reliever

(Acetaminophen)

- * Wegman's Food Markets: WEGMANS Childrens Chewable Acetaminophen

Whitehall Labs: The following Whitehall Labs product contains aspartame:

- * Childrens Anacin-3 Chewable Tablets

Cenci Powder: The following Cenci products contain aspartame:

- * NATURLAX Natural Fiber Laxative
- * LIFE LINE Natural Fiber Laxative

H & PC Products: The following H&PC product contains aspartame:

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* SUGAR FREE METAMUCIL

L.Perrigo: The following subsidiary product lines contain aspartame:

- * Eckerd: ECKERD Sugar Free Natural Fiber Laxative
- * Fay's: FAY'S Sugar Free Natural Vegetable Laxative
- * Longs: LONGS Sugar Free Natural Vegetable Powder Laxative
- * Payless: PAYLESS Sugar Free Natural Vegetable Powder Laxative
- * Perrigo: Sugar Free Natural Vegetable Powder
- * Perry: PERRY Drug Stores Sugar Free Natural Veg.Powder Bulk

Laxative

- * Raley's: RALEY'S Sugar Free Natural Vegetable Powder
- * Rite Aid: RITE AID Sugar Free Regular Flavor Nat.Veg.Bulk Powder
- * Squibb: SQUIBBCARE Sugar Free Natural Fiber Laxative
- * Thrifty: THRIFTY Sugar Free Natural Vegetable Laxative

Hall Laboratories: The following Hall Labs products contain aspartame:

- * HEALTH BALANCE Childrens Chewable Multivitamin
- * ZOO CHEWS Animal-Shaped Chewable Multivitamin

Mediguard: The following Mediguard product contains aspartame:

- * MEDIGUARD Childens Multivitamin Supplement (Cherry,Orange and Grape)

Equate: The following Equate product contains aspartame:

- * EQUATE Chewable Vitamins Animal-Shaped (with Iron)

Meijer: The following Meijer product contains aspartame:

- * MEIJER CIRCUS SHAPES (Complete with Calcium,Iron and Minerals)
- * MIEJER CIRCUS SHAPES (with Iron)

Perrigo: The following additional Perrigo product contains aspartame:

- * ANIMAL SHAPES Chewable Vitamins Plus Extra C
- * ANIMAL SHAPES Chewable Vitamins Complete
- * ANIMAL SHAPES Chewable Vitamins With Iron

Raley's: The following Raleys product contains aspartame:

- * Childrens Chewable Vitamins With Iron

Lifeline Nutritional: The following subsidiary lines contain aspartame:

- * Lucky Stores: Mediguard Childens Multivitamin Supplement with Iron

P.Leiner: The following Leiner subsidiary products contain aspartame:

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- * Carls Drug Co: CARLS DRUG Childrens Chewable Multivitamin
- * Malone & Hyde: HYDES PARK Childrens Chewable Multivitamin
- * Hills Dept Stores: HILLS Childrens Chewable Multivitamin
- * Kent Co: DART Childen's Chewable Multivitamin
- * Big B Discount Drugs: BIG B Childrens Chewable Multivitamin
- * LKS Products, Inc: MEDI-GUARD Childrens Chewable Multivitamins
- * Revco Drug Stores: REVCO Childrens Chewable Multivitamins
- * Longs Drug Stores: LONGS Children's Chewable Multivitamin
- * Gray Drug Fair, Inc: GRAY DRUG FAIR Childrens Chewable Multivitamin

Pharmavite Corp:

- * ECKARD DRUG: Childrens Chewable Multivitamin
- * LONGS DRUG Childrens Chewable Multivitamin

REFERENCES

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(Web sites with more information on aspartame, <http://www.wnho.net> ,
<http://www.dorway.com> and <http://www.holisticmed.com/aspartame>