

The UK Lags The Other Big Western European Countries For Gastrointestinal Drug Sales

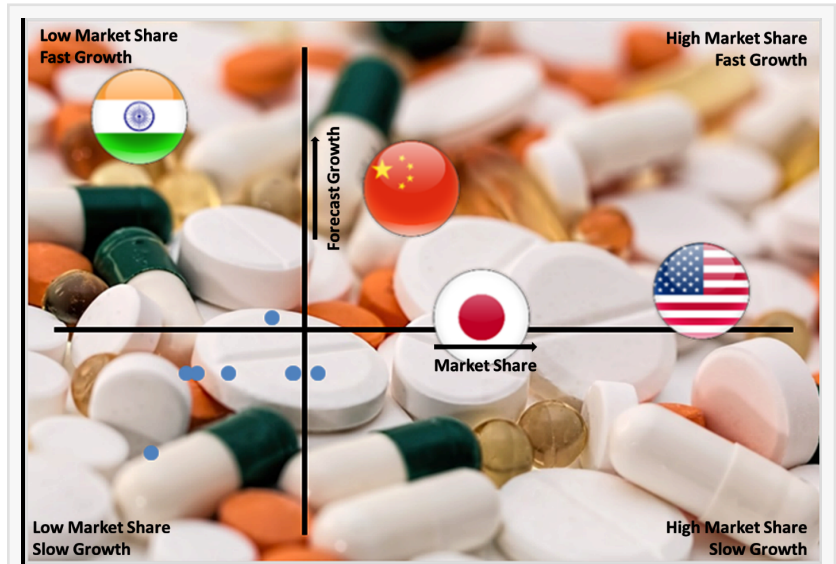
LONDON, GREATER LONDON, UK, October 25, 2017 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The UK market for medications to treat illnesses of the stomach and intestines is both much smaller than and growing more slowly than those of Germany, France, Spain and Italy. The UK's market was worth well under 1% of the global total in 2016, as against Germany's 5%, France's more than 4%, Italy's nearly 3% and Spain's over 1%. Again, while all these European countries are growing at below the global average of 4.5% year on year, the UK's 1.5% annual growth is half that of the other four.

The gastrointestinal diseases drugs market covers medicines used for the treatment of ulcerative colitis, diverticular disease, perianal infections, anal fissures, hemorrhoids, constipation, and irritable bowel syndrome. The key gastrointestinal drugs include anti-peptic agents (antacids, antagonists, proton pump inhibitors, sucralfate, and misoprostol), antiemetics, adsorbents, anticholinergics, opiates, intestinal flora modifiers, emollient/surfactants, hyperosmotic, saline, and stimulant/irritants.

Since neither GDP per capita nor availability of the drugs (many can be bought without prescription in all five countries and so are available in supermarkets as well as over-the counter in pharmacies), the likely explanation of the big difference between the UK and the other four is cultural. The use of aids to digestion, for instance, is better established in the countries with cuisines based around olive oil, such as France and Italy.

The global market for this category of drugs is worth approaching \$60 billion a year and is growing at 4.5% annually. It accounts for about 6% of the global pharma market as a whole.

The market for gastrointestinal drugs is quite fragmented, with above 70% shared among the many small companies outside the leading 7 and only one company, Japan's Takeda Pharmaceuticals, having an market share that approaches 10%. The second and third largest companies in the market are Allergan of the USA and the Danish Novo Nordisk, each with shares a little over 5% of the total. One of the trends shaping the market is a development of medications such as tranexamic acid to treat gastrointestinal bleeding. Drug manufacturing companies are offering tranexamic acid for the treatment of acute gastrointestinal bleeding. Tranexamic acid is a medication used to treat or prevent excessive blood loss from major trauma or surgery and is now finding applications for gastrointestinal diseases. Tranexamic acid reduces clot breakdown, thus reducing the duration and amount of bleeding. This reduces mortality rate (from 10% to 7.5%) and the probability of blood transfusion by about 30%. Major companies manufacturing tranexamic acid include Abbott Laboratories, Pfizer, GlaxoSmithKline and Bayer AG.



Gastrointestinal Drugs Market By Country

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