

**Question for written answer E-009450/2014
to the Commission**

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Subject: Availability of medicines in EU hospitals

According to the European Association of Hospital Pharmacists, a worrying shortage of medicines in the Member States' healthcare systems is having a direct impact on the outcome of patients' treatments.

1. Is the Commission monitoring, or does it plan to monitor, the availability of specific medicines in the EU?
2. Taking patients' needs into account, what solution does the Commission propose for this situation?