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### Big Patent Expirations of 2010

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While the much-talked-about patent cliff won't hit until 2011, 2010 will still see patent expirations of some of the industry's blockbuster drugs. Teva, Apotex, Mylan and a slew of other generic drugmakers will have a chance to put a dent in the sales of a number of brand meds this year--including Flomax and Aricept.

Lipitor, whose basic patent expires this year, doesn't face competition until 2011 because of Pfizer's deal with Ranbaxy, the first-filer. It's still included in the following list, which has a number of top-selling drugs. Our 2010 patent expiration list also includes drugs whose patent actually expires, but managed to get a six-month extension due to pediatric exclusivity.

1. [Cozaar/Hyzaar](#) – Merck
2. [Lipitor](#) – Pfizer
3. [Flomax](#) - Boehringer Ingelheim
4. [Arimidex](#) – AstraZeneca
5. [Climara](#) - Bayer HealthCare
6. [Aricept](#) - Aricept
7. [Invirase](#) – Roche
8. [Hycamtin](#) – GlaxoSmithKline
9. [Protonix](#) – Pfizer
10. [Levaquin](#) - Levaquin