

All-Time MLB, MiLB Drug Suspensions (2008)

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The following are players—both minor league and major league—that have been found to be in violation of either the Minor or Major League Drug Prevention and Treatment Program *for 2008*

As of 2011, broken out by date; player; position; substance; MLB affiliated organization; whether the player was in the Dominican Summer League, Venezuelan Summer League, or playing for a North American minor league club, and; the number of games served in the suspension.

* [See the Major League Drug Prevention and Treatment Program](#)

(**Complete MLB and MiLB through 1/14/13**) - To report an error or omission in this research, please [Contact Us](#)):

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Major League Drug Prevention and Treatment Program

#	Date	Player Name		
Substance	Club	Length		
1	4/30/08	± Eliezer Alfonzo		PEDs
2	5/28/08	§ Humberto Cota		PEDs
3	1/06/09	Ξ Sergio Mitre		PEDs

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4	1/06/09	Σ J.C. Romero	PEDs
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± Alfonzo was with Triple-A Fresno at the time of the suspension. His suspension was effective May 1st.

§ Cota was penalized under the major league drug program, even though he has not been on a major league roster since last June 15, when he was released by the Pittsburgh Pirates. The reason he was covered by the major league plan rather than the minor league program wasn't announced. At the time of the suspension Cota was with Triple-A Colorado Springs. His suspension was effective immediately.

≡ Mitre was with Triple-A Scranton/Wilkes-Barre at the time of his suspension. Although notification of his suspension occurred in 2009, the positive occurred during 2008 testing. His suspension was effective at the start of the 2009 regular season.

Σ It was ruled via arbitration that Romero was negligent for using a nutritional supplement, purchased over the counter (6-OXO-Extreme), which was found to be tainted with androstendione. Although notification of his suspension occurred in 2009, the positive occurred during 2008 testing. His suspension was effective at the start of the 2009 regular season.

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#	Date	Player Name	Substance	Club	Length
1	1/10/08	± Jacob Rodriguez			Failure to Test
2	2/20/08	* Scott Vander Weg	PEDs	Cardinals	50 gms
3	4/3/08	§ Robert Hernandez	PEDs		

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4	4/8/08	# Jordan Schafer	HGH
5	4/25/08	β Jonathan Jaspe	PEDs
6	5/1/08	Ω Angel Reyes	Stanozolol Metabolites
7	5/16/08	Aaron Jackson	Drug of Abuse
8	7/25/08	** Roman Carrasco	Nandrolone
9	7/25/08	** Luis Figuera	Stanozolol
10	7/26/08	** Jonathan Quinonez	Nandrolone
11	7/26/08	** Yeiger Sanchez	Nandrolone
12	7/29/08	** Braulin Beltre	Boldenone
13	7/29/08	** Andres Beras	Boldenone
14	7/29/08	** Yedilson Pena	Boldenone

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15	7/30/08	◇ Thomas Mendoza	Amphetamine
16	7/31/08	** Francoris Pineda	Stanozolol
17	8/1/08	** Renny Amador	Stanozolol
18	8/1/08	** Bernardino Jimenez	Boldenone
19	8/2/08	** Daniel Gil	Boldenone
20	8/4/08	** Cesar Guillen	Ephedrine
21	8/4/08	** Victor Henriquez	Stanozolol
22	8/7/08	** Victor De La Cruz	Stanozolol
23	8/8/08	** Leandro Jeremy	Nandrolone
24	8/8/08	** Jose Valentin	Boldenone
25	8/11/08	** Cesar Colmenares	Nandrolone
26	8/11/08	** Elvin Silvestre	Boldenone

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27	8/11/08	** Jonathan Correa	Boldenone
28	8/12/08	** Winfield De La Rosa	Boldenone
29	8/12/08	** Ramon Mariano	Boldenone
30	8/12/08	Victor Jorge	Stanozolol
31	8/14/08	** Jesse Lebron	Methandienone
32	8/14/08	** Alexander Mejia	Boldenone
33	8/21/08	** Jorge Sosa	Amphetamine
34	8/25/08	** Rafael Aybar	Boldenone
35	8/25/08	** Alfredo Buret	Boldenone
36	8/25/08	Juan Castillo	Stanozolol
37	8/25/08	** Julio Sanchez	Boldenone

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38	8/25/08	** Eliel Sierra	Boldenone
39	8/28/08	** ^ Michael De La Cruz	Boldenone
40	8/28/08	** ^ Arturo Florentino	Boldenone
41	8/28/08	** ^ Carlos Galvez	Boldenone
42	8/28/08	** ^ Jose Tineo	Boldenone
43	8/29/08	** ^ Justo Arias	Stanozolol
44	8/29/08	** ^ Rafael Martinez	Stanozolol
45	8/29/08	** ^ Jhon Rodriguez	Nandrolone
46	9/5/08	*** ^ Kelly Aponte	Nandrolone
47	9/5/08	*** ^ Luis Castillo	Boldenone
48	9/5/08	*** ^ Eduardo Gonzalez	Nandrolone
49	9/5/08	** ^ Weesley Hernandez	Boldenone

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50	9/5/08	*** ^ Julio Joves	Nandrolone
51	9/5/08	** ^ Wilsen Palacios	Nandrolone
52	9/5/08	** ^ Eyffer Peralta	Boldenone
53	9/5/08	** ^ Luis Ramos	Boldenone
54	9/5/08	** ^ Cristian Rijo	Boldenone
55	9/5/08	*** ^ Ricciard Rodriguez	Nandrolone
56	9/5/08	^ ** Milton Roman	Boldenone
57	9/5/08	^ ** Cristian Zapata	Boldenone
58	9/6/08	∅ Runelvys Hernandez	Amphetamine
59	9/9/08	± Scott Carroll	Human Chorionic Gonad
60	9/13/08	Ω Ryan Aldridge	Amphetamine

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61	9/17/08	Miguel Munoz	Mephentermine
62	9/23/08	Matthew Small	Amphetamine
63	11/11/08	Henry Owens	(unreleased)
64	12/1/08	β Wilfred Vivas	Methandienone
65	12/22/08	** Ambiorix Suero	Boldenone
66	12/22/08	** Damian Taveras	Stanozolol

± Rodriguez' suspension will start at the beginning of the 2008 season. Last season, Rodriguez played for the Surprise Royals of the Arizona Rookie League.

* Vander Weg's suspension will start at the beginning of the 2008 season. Last season, Vander Weg pitched for Single-A Palm Beach of the Florida State League.

§ Hernandez tested positive for stanozolol.

Schafer becomes the first player in history to be suspended for current use of hGH by way of non-analytics. At the time of the violation, Schafer was with Double-A Mississippi of the Southern League.

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β Jaspe tested positive for nandrolone metabolites. He was with Single-A Lansing of the Midwest League at the time of the suspension.

Ω The suspension of Reyes was effective at the start of the season for the Single-A Staten Island Yankees of the New York-Penn League.

ψ Jackson was a free agent at the time of the positive test. He will start serving his suspension if signed to another team. In 2007, Jackson pitched in the Washington Nationals organization for Single-A Hagerstown of the South Atlantic League.

Jorge was with Single-A Burlington of the Midwest League

Castillo was with the Gulf Coast League Cardinals, Rookie

** All Players part of their respective club's Dominican Summer League Team

*** All Players part of their respective club's Venezuela Summer League Team

^ The suspensions of Florentino, Galvez, Tineo Aponte, Castillo, Gonzalez, Hernandez, Joves, Palacios, Peralta, Ramos, Rijo, Rodriguez, Roman, and Zapata will be effective at the start of the 2009 season.

œ The suspension of Hernandez will be effective at the start of next season. Most recently Hernandez pitched for Triple-A Round Rock of the Pacific Coast League.

± The suspension of Carroll will be effective at the start of next season. Most recently Carroll pitched for Single-A Sarasota of the Florida State League.

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Ω The suspension of Aldridge will be effective at the start of next season. Most recently Aldridge pitched for Double-A Arkansas of the Texas League.

β Vivas was a member of the organization's Venezuelan Summer League team in 2008. The suspension of Vivas will be effective at the start of next season.

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