

Public Health Link

from the Chief Medical Officer for Wales

Distribution:	As Appendix 2
From:	Chief Pharmaceutical Officer, Andrew Evans
Date:	12 September 2019
Reference:	CEM/CPhA/2019/21
Category:	Class 2 - Action within 48 hours
Title:	Drug Alert Class 2, Action Within 48 Hours, Dr. Reddy'S Laboratories Ltd, Aripiprazole 1mg/MI Oral Solution
For Action by:	<p>Dispensing General Practitioners – please ensure this message is seen by all working in your dispensary and retain a copy in your 'locum information pack'</p> <p>Community Pharmacists</p> <p>Hospital pharmacies</p> <p>Chief Pharmacists</p>
For Information:	See Annex 2 – Distribution List
What is this about:	Full details are set out below.
Why has it been sent:	For your information, action and to pass on to colleagues.

Issue:

Dr. Reddy's Laboratories (UK) Ltd is recalling one batch of the above product because there is the potential for small particles of Aripiprazole active substance to be present.

Full details of the drug alert are included in the attached PDF file. Please forward to listed recipients. This information is also published on the MHRA website <https://www.gov.uk/drug-device-alerts>

Appendix 1

- To: Chief Executives of Health Boards and NHS Trusts
- To: Medical Directors of Health Boards
- To: Nurse Directors Health Boards
- To: Directors of Public Health
- To: Hospital Principals and Chief Pharmacists to action as per alert

To: **NHS Wales Shared Services Partnership to forward to:**

Dispensing General Practitioners

Community Pharmacists

Deputising services

HB Prescribing Advisers

Independent/Private clinics and Hospitals and Hospices throughout Wales



DRUG ALERT

CLASS 2 MEDICINES RECALL

**Action Within 48 Hours
Pharmacy Level Recall**

Date: 12 September 2019

EL (19)A/21

Our Ref: MDR 033-09/19

Dear Healthcare Professional,

Dr. Reddy's Laboratories (UK) Ltd

Aripiprazole 1mg/ml oral solution

PL 08553/0582

Batch Number	Expiry Date	Pack Size	First Distributed
050618	05/2020	150ml	13 July 2018

Brief description of problem

Dr. Reddy's Laboratories (UK) Ltd is recalling the above batch due to the potential for small particles of Aripiprazole active material to be present which may affect the efficacy of the product. A product complaint has been received by the company from the UK market, relating to the formation of a precipitate in a bottle of product.

Advice for Healthcare Professionals and Wholesalers

Stop supplying the batch listed above immediately. Quarantine all remaining stock and return it to your supplier using your supplier's approved process.

Company contacts for further information

For stock control enquiries please contact Dr. Reddy's Laboratories (UK) Ltd Customer Services Team on +44 (0)1482 389858, email: customerserviceuk@drreddys.com (or main switchboard +44 (0)1482 860228).

For medical information enquiries please contact Dr. Reddy's Laboratories (UK) Ltd Medical Information Department on +44 (0)1748 828873 and DrReddys@professionalinformation.co.uk.

Recipients of this Drug Alert should bring it to the attention of relevant contacts by copy of this letter. NHS Regional teams are asked to forward this to relevant clinics, general practitioners and community pharmacists.

Yours faithfully

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