

Batch recall of six products of Meyer Pharmaceuticals Ltd

The Department of Health (DH) today (January 26) has instructed a licensed drug manufacturer, Meyer Pharmaceuticals Ltd (Meyer), to recall the following six products (see Annex) from the market as a precautionary measure due to a quality issue.

Name of product	Hong Kong registration number	Batch number/Pack size	Main use
Lyhexine Cap	HK-37207	082208/10's	relief of cold and cough symptoms
Mecotuss Cap	HK-35597	052104-3/1000's 052105-3/1000's 052104-2/24's 052105-2/24's 052104-1/12's 052105-1/12's 052106-1/12's	relief of cold and cough symptoms
Betamin Tab*	HK-32501	102206-1/100s 102206-2/1000s	relief of allergy symptoms
Sensoderm-S Cream*	HK-36365	012203/18g 112109-3/450g	treating skin infections
Xanaderm Cream*	HK-41063	112108/20g	treating skin infections
Mobeta Cream*	HK-37738	012207/20g	treating skin infections

*Prescription drugs

Upon receiving a public complaint, the DH has conducted an investigation against Meyer. The investigation revealed that the content of the active ingredients in the products failed to meet the product specifications during a long-term stability study.

While the problem identified will affect the stability of the products, it would not be harmful to user. As a precautionary measure, the DH has instructed Meyer to recall the products from the market. The DH's investigation is continuing.

According to Meyer, the products have been supplied to local private doctors, pharmacies and medicine companies. Meyer has set up a hotline (2601 2670) to answer related enquiries. The DH will closely monitor the recall.

So far, the DH has not received any adverse reaction reports in connection with the above products.

Members of the public taking the above products should consult their healthcare professionals if in doubt for appropriate arrangements.