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Our Ref: PHC-32-2021 Date: 18 November 2021

MEDICINES RECALL CLASS 2 MEDICINES RECALL Action Within 48 Hours Pharmacy/Wholesaler Level Recall

Dear Healthcare Professional

SANTEN Oy (trading as Santen UK Limited)

IKERVIS 1 mg/mL eye drops, emulsion

Batch Number Expiry Date **First Distributed Pack Size** 8K38Q 03/2022 30 x 0.3ml 26 Sep 2019 4L41F 09/2022 30 x 0.3ml 15 Nov 2019 8L28C 11/2022 30 x 0.3ml 17 Sep 2020

VERKAZIA 1 mg/mL eye drops, emulsion

Batch Number Expiry Date Pack Size **First Distributed** 1L14P 05/2022 29 Jan 2021 120 x 0.3ml 4L40H 09/2022 120 x 0.3ml 06 May 2021 02 Jul 2021 6L04J 10/2022 120 x 0.3ml

Parallel Distributors

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IKERVIS 1 mg/mL eye drops, emulsion

Batch Number	Parallel Distributor's Batch Number	Expiry Date	Pack Size	First Distributed
6L03F	6L03F	10/2022	30 x 0.3ml	9th December 2020

Active Pharmaceutical Ingredient: ciclosporin

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Brief description of the problem

SANTEN Oy (trading as Santen UK Limited) are recalling the above batches of products as a precautionary measure due to detection of particles/crystals of the active pharmaceutical ingredient ciclosporin. These particles have been detected following microscopic evaluation during stability monitoring.

Following the completion of their investigations SANTEN Oy are recalling the above batches additional to those recalled on 15 September 2021 (Reference <u>PHC-24-2021</u>).

Advice for healthcare professionals

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

The presence of particles may cause ocular irritation, eye pain and foreign body sensation. Whilst the Marketing Authorisation Holder have not received any reports of adverse reactions being caused by the presence of particles in the above batches, healthcare professionals should advise patients to report any suspected adverse reactions via the <u>MHRA Yellow Card scheme</u>.

Further Information

Santen UK Limited

For more information, please contact +44 (0)1727 615 110 or email enquiries@santen.co.uk

For medical information queries, please contact 0345 075 4863 or email medinfo@santen.co.uk

For supply queries, please contact AAH Customer services at 0344 561 8899

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For all enquiries please contact:

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Steven Cross (UK Parallel Import Sales Manager) on 07498975920 or email at <u>steven.cross@orifarm.com</u>

Recipients of this Medicines Recall should bring it to the attention of relevant contacts by copy of this notice.

RQIA should bring this information to the attention of private hospitals/clinics registered with them and any other relevant care facilities.

The Business Services Organisation is asked to bring this information to the attention of Community Pharmacists and General Medical Practitioners directly.

Yours sincerely

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Mrs Cathy Harrison Chief Pharmaceutical Officer