

PRODUCT RECALL ALERT

DRAP ALERT NO. Nº I/S/09-23-33

RECALL OF COMYCETIN 0.5% EYE DROPS (Batch # M-319)

(MANUFACTURED BY M/S. NABIQASIM INDUSTRIES (PVT) LTD., KARACHI)

Date: 18th Sep, 2023

Target Audience:

- Pharmacists and Chemists at Distribution, Pharmacies and Medical Stores
- Healthcare Professionals- Physicians, Pharmacists, and Nurses at hospital and clinics etc.
- General Public

Alert Summary:

The Federal Government Analyst, CDL Karachi has declared the Batch No. CYF003 of product 'Comeycetin Eye Drop" as of **substandard** quality.

The detail of the product is as under:

Product Name	Composition	Batch Detail	Manufactured by	Remarks
Comycetin 0.5%	Chloramphenicol	Batch No.	Ms. Nabiqasim	The sample is of
Eye Drop		CYF003	Industries (Pvt.)	Sub-standard
			Ltd., Karachi	quality on the
Reg No. 003682		Mfg. Date: 02-2023 Exp. Date: 02-2025		noncompliance basis of the assay result.

Risk Statement:

Chloramphenicol is used to treat bacterial eye infections. The impact of use of the substandard product may lead to sub-optimal to no therapeutic effect and may intensify/flare the existing bacterial infection along with the development of Bacterial resistance.

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Action Initiated: -

The manufacturing company has been directed to immediately recall the defective batch of product from the market. All pharmacists and chemists working at distributions and pharmacies should **immediately check** their stocks and stop supplying this batch of product. The remaining stock should be quarantined and returned to the supplier/ company. The regulatory field force of all federating units (DRAP and Provincial Health Departments) should also increase surveillance in the market to ensure the effective recall of defective products(s).

Advice for Healthcare Professionals: -

DRAP requests to enhance **vigilance** within the supply chains of institutions/pharmacies/healthcare facilities likely to be affected by the defective lot/batch of product.

Adverse reactions or quality problems experienced with the use of this product may be reported to the National Pharmacovigilance Centre(NPC), DRAP using the Adverse Event Reporting Form or online through this <u>link</u>. Further information of reporting problems to DRAP is available on this <u>link</u>

Advice for Consumers / General public: -

Consumers should stop using this product bearing the affected batch number(s) and shall contact to their physician or healthcare provider if they have experienced any problems that may be related to taking or using this drug product, and report the incident to the National Pharmacovigilance Centre of Drug Regulatory Authority of Pakistan, through <u>MedSafety</u> Mobile Application, or online at <u>Med Vigilance E</u> <u>Reporting</u> System.

All therapeutic goods must be obtained from licensed pharmacies and other authorized retail outlets. The authenticity and condition of products should be carefully checked. Seek advice from your pharmacists or other healthcare professional in case of any doubt.



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