

## DRUG ALERT

### CLASS 2 MEDICINES RECALL

Action within 48 Hours

Pharmacy/Wholesaler/Retail Store Level Recall

Dear Healthcare Professional

#### OTC Concepts Limited

Product	PL Number
Ranitidine 75mg Tablets	PL 20338/0020

#### Relonchem Limited

Product	PL Number
Relonchem Ranitidine 75mg Tablets (6)	PL 20395/0079
Relonchem Ranitidine 75mg Tablets (12)	PL 20395/0079
Bells Healthcare Ranitidine 75mg Tablets (12)	PL 20395/0079
Numark Ranitidine 75mg Film Coated Tablets (12)	PL 20395/0079
Tesco Heartburn and Indigestion Relief 75mg Film Coated Tablets (12)	PL 20395/0079

#### Noumed Life Sciences Limited

Product	PL Number
Noumed Indigestion Relief 75mg Film-Coated Tablets	PL 44041/0027
Gavilast Heartburn and Indigestion 75mg Film-Coated Tablets	PL 44041/0028
Ranitidine 75mg Film-Coated Tablets	PL 44041/0028

**Medreich PLC**

ASDA Ranitidine 75 mg Tablets (12)		PL 21880/0022	
<b>Batch Number</b>	<b>Expiry Date</b>	<b>Pack Size</b>	<b>First Distributed</b>
370190	31/01/2020	1 x 12	August 2017

Peach Ethical Indigestion Relief Ranitidine 75mg Film Coated Tablets (12)		PL 21880/0022	
<b>Batch Number</b>	<b>Expiry Date</b>	<b>Pack Size</b>	<b>First Distributed</b>
370049	31/12/2019	1 x 12	October 2017

Sainsbury's Indigestion Relief Tablets (12)		PL 21880/0022	
<b>Batch Number</b>	<b>Expiry Date</b>	<b>Pack Size</b>	<b>First Distributed</b>
370065	31/12/2019	1 x 12	May 2017
370066	31/12/2019	1 x 12	May 2017

Tesco Indigestion Relief Ranitidine 75mg film-coated tablets		PL 21880/0022	
<b>Batch Number</b>	<b>Expiry Date</b>	<b>Pack Size</b>	<b>First Distributed</b>
370050	31/12/2019	1 x 12	March 2017
370051	31/12/2019	1 x 12	March 2017
370052	31/12/2019	1 x 12	April 2017
370064	31/12/2019	1 x 12	May 2017

Generic Name: Ranitidine

OTC Concepts Ltd, Relconchem Ltd and Noumed Life Sciences Ltd are recalling all unexpired batches of the above products from pharmacies and retail stores as a precautionary measure due to possible contamination with an impurity N-nitrosodimethylamine (NDMA) which has genotoxic and carcinogenic potential.

Medreich Plc are recalling specific batches of the above products from pharmacies and retail stores as a precautionary measure due to possible contamination with an impurity N-nitrosodimethylamine (NDMA) which has genotoxic and carcinogenic potential.



### **Advice for healthcare professionals and retail stores**

- Stop supplying the above products immediately and remove from the shelves within your store. Quarantine all remaining stock and return it to your supplier using your supplier's approved process.

If you receive queries about this issue from patients, advise them to contact their GP, pharmacist or healthcare professional to review ongoing treatment.

This is an on-going issue and the MHRA is actively involved with the European Medicines Agency and with other medicines regulators to determine any possible impact. An investigation into other potentially impacted products is continuing and further updates will be provided as the investigation progresses.

### **Company contacts for further information**

#### **OTC Concepts Limited**

- For stock control enquiries please contact Customer Service team on +44 (0) 1484 665733 or [Warehouse@dalkeithlabs.co.uk](mailto:Warehouse@dalkeithlabs.co.uk)
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#### **Relonchem Limited**

- For stock control enquiries please contact Relonchem Customer Service team on +44 (0) 151 422 1200 or [sales@relonchem.com](mailto:sales@relonchem.com)
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Recipients should bring it to the attention of relevant contacts by copy of this letter.

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.

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