

## DRUG ALERT

### CLASS 4 MEDICINES DEFECT INFORMATION

Caution in Use

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Dear Healthcare Professional

**Torbay Pharmaceuticals (for Veriton Pharma Ltd)**

**Sodium Benzoate (Amzoate) 2g in 10 mL Sterile Solution  
for injection**

**Unlicensed Medicine  
- Y0260J - (MS)**

Batch Number	Expiry Date	Pack Size	First Distributed
1902285	02/2022	10	04/04/2019
1905165	05/2022	10	08/07/2019
1907165	07/2022	10	18/09/2019

**Sodium Benzoate (Amzoate) 2g in 10 mL Sterile Solution  
for injection**

**Unlicensed Medicine  
- Y9546K - (MIA)**

Batch Number	Expiry Date	Pack Size	First Distributed
1807065	07/2021	10	20/08/2018
1808065	08/2021	10	28/09/2018
1808075	08/2021	10	28/09/2018
1808245	08/2021	10	28/09/2018
1812145	12/2021	10	17/01/2019



**Brief description of the problem**

Torbay Pharmaceuticals has informed us that the carton label on Sodium Benzoate (Amzoate) 2g in 10 mL Sterile Solution for injection incorrectly states the concentration of disodium edetate (excipient) as 0.1% w/v (10mg in 1mL) instead of 0.1% w/v (10mg in 10mL). It should be noted that this product is manufactured as an unlicensed special.

**Advice for healthcare professionals**

Healthcare professionals are advised to exercise caution when dispensing and administering the product. There is no risk to product quality as a result of this issue, therefore the associated batches are not being recalled at this time.

**Further Information**

For stock control queries please contact Torbay Pharmaceuticals, Telephone +44 (0)1803 664707 or email [torbaypharmaceuticals@nhs.net](mailto:torbaypharmaceuticals@nhs.net)

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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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**TO ALL CHEMISTS, DOCTORS ON THE LISTS**

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