

## DRUG ALERT

### CLASS 4 MEDICINES DEFECT INFORMATION

#### Caution in Use

#### Distribute to Pharmacy / Wholesaler Level

Dear Healthcare Professional

**Drugsrus Limited & Star Pharmaceuticals Ltd & Tenolol Ltd**

**Clexane 10,000 IU (100mg) / 1ml Syringes (Star  
Pharmaceuticals Ltd)**

**PLPI 20636/1822**

**SNOMED  
Code 36564011000001106**

Batch Number	Expiry Date	Pack Size	First Distributed
ECD95D	04/2024	10	07/07/2022

**Active Pharmaceutical Ingredient:** enoxaparin sodium

**Clexane 10,000 IU (100mg) / 1ml Syringes (Tenolol Ltd)**

**PLPI 30900/1997**

**SNOMED  
Code 36564011000001106**

Batch Number	Expiry Date	Pack Size	First Distributed
ECI41A	10/2024	10	07/07/2022
FCA45G	12/2024	10	13/12/2022

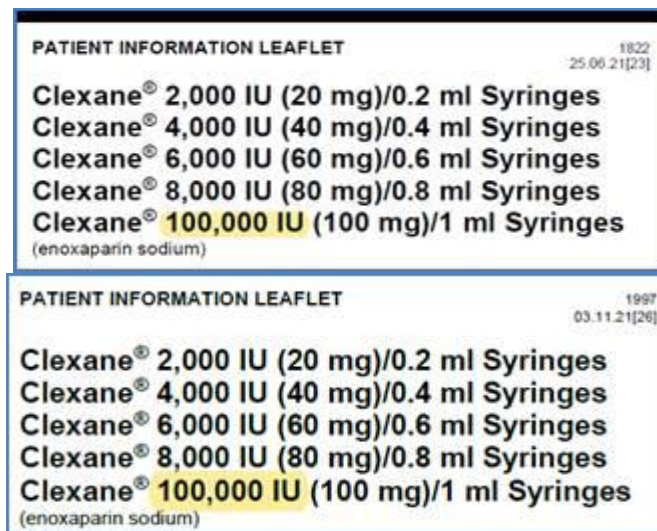
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#### **Brief description of the problem**

Drugsrus Limited has informed the MHRA that the Patient Information Leaflet (PIL) packaged in specific batches of Clexane 10,000IU (100mg)/1 ml Syringes contains a typographical error in the leaflet. The strength of the product listed in the leaflet header states “100,000 IU (100mg) / 1ml” instead of “10,000 IU (100mg)/1ml”. The remainder of the packaging, including the outer packaging and information on the syringe itself details the correct strength of 10,000 IU (100mg)/1ml.

A common leaflet is used for all strengths and so this error also appears in the leaflet packaged with other strengths – 2,000 IU (20mg)/0.2ml, 4,000 IU (40mg)/0.4ml, 6,000 IU (60mg)/0.6ml and 8,000 IU (80mg)/0.8ml.

Please see example image below which highlights the typographical error, which is only present on the leaflet header.



### Advice for healthcare professionals

There is no risk to product quality as a result of this issue, and the affected batches are not being recalled. Healthcare professionals are advised to tell patients about the error and reassure them they have the right dose of this medicine, when dispensing subsequent batches or in discussion with patients who may raise concerns, where appropriate.

Drugsrus Limited has confirmed that all future batches will contain the correct PIL. Upon request, Drugsrus Limited will post hard copies of the updated PIL to wholesalers and pharmacies so that any remaining stock in the dispensary can be supplemented with the correct PIL information (see contact details below).

### Advice for patients

The Patient Information Leaflets included with these specific batches of Clexane 10,000 IU (100mg)/1ml Syringes have a typographical error. This error lists the strength as “100,000 IU (100mg)/1ml” instead of “10,000 IU (100mg)/1ml”. The correct strength is listed elsewhere on the packaging as 10,000 IU. Please



continue to use the product as advised by your doctor and pharmacist. The strength and quality of the medicine itself is not impacted and this is a typographical error only.

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As for all medicines, if you experience any adverse reactions, you should contact your doctor immediately. You can also report suspected adverse reactions via the MHRA [Yellow Card scheme](#).



**Further Information**

For more information, medical information queries or replacement PIL enquiries, please contact: [recall@drugsrus.co.uk](mailto:recall@drugsrus.co.uk) or 020 8423 3800. For stock control queries, please contact: [info@drugsrus.co.uk](mailto:info@drugsrus.co.uk) or 020 8423 3800

Recipients of this Medicines notification 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.

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