



DIFAEM-EPN Minilab Network News 2 /2023

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Dear EPN partners,

Today you receive an extract from the internal newsletter of DIFAEM-EPN Minilab Network. We would like to draw your attention to substandard and falsified medicines, which have recently been identified by the DIFAEM-EPN Minilab Network using the GPHF Minilab. These products are harmful for patients and must not be used. In case you encounter one of these products, immediately remove it from the shelf and quarantine or destroy it according to the procedures of your organization/facility. Please do not return these products to the supplier as in this manner they might be resold to other customers. In case of question you may contact us using the email addresses below.

Have a pleasant reading.

Kind regards,

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Recent confirmed cases of falsified products reported to WHO

Please note that in all cases batches other than those shown may also be affected.

AMOLAV, Amoxicillin/Clavulanic Acid 625 mg

• Stated manufacturer: Fartrich Pharm PvT, Selaqui, India

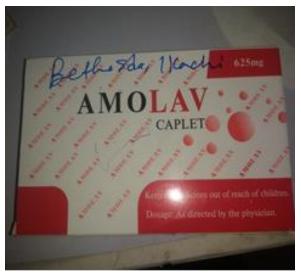
Batch: 220716Mfg. Date: 07/2022Exp. Date: 06/2025

• Result of compendial analysis by MEDS: Amoxicillin (92,6%), Clavulanic Acid (0,0%)

Detected in Nigeria in July 2023

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• Additional information: NAFDAC Reg No : A4-4108 on the label, was not found in the system







Zimilat, Amoxicillin/Clavulanic Acid 625 mg

- Stated manufacturer: NEMEL Pharmaceuticals Limited, Enugu, Nigeria
- Batch: 01E and 021
- Mfg. Date: Batch 01E (05/2023), Batch 021 (09/2022)
- Exp. Date: Batch 01E (04/2025), Batch 021 (08/2024)
- Result of compendial analysis by MEDS: Batch 01E Amoxicillin (66,0%), clavulanic Acid (8,7%)
 Batch 021 Amoxicillin (52,7%), clavulanic Acid (0,0%)
- Detected in Nigeria in July 2023
- Reported to WHO by Difaem
- Additional information: NAFDAC Reg No: B4-1592 on the label indicated wrong product











CEFIXIME, Cefixime 400 mg

• Stated manufacturer: MERCK CO.EMC

Batch: illegibleMfg. Date: 01/2021Exp. Date: 02/2025

• Result of compendial analysis by MEDS: Cefixime (0,0%)

Detected in DRC in February 2023Reported to WHO by Difaem







CEFIXIME, Cefixime 400 mg

• Stated manufacturer: Apotex Inc, Canada

Batch: MGJ516Mfg. Date: 06/2021Exp. Date: 07/2024

Result of compendial analysis by MEDS: Cefixime (0,0%)

Detected in DRC in February 2023Reported to WHO by Difaem





