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For Action: Assistant Director Pharmacy and Medicines Management,
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Regulation Quality Improvement Authority

DRUG ALERT

MEDICINES RECALL

HOSPITAL PHARMACY LEVEL RECALL

Dear Healthcare Professional

Ebewe Pharma Ges.m.b.H.Nfg.KG

Fludarabine phosphate 25mg/ml
(Fludarabine phosphate)

PL 14510/0009

Batch Number	Expiry Date	Pack Size	First Distributed
92497908	Apr 2012	1 x 2ml	05 Jun 2009
92627304	May 2012	1 x 2ml	13 Jul 2009
92627309	May 2012	1 x 2ml	28 Jul 2009

Ebewe Pharma Ges.m.b.H.Nfg.KG is recalling all remaining stock of the above batches as a precautionary measure because routine testing has shown that a known impurity is present at higher levels than expected. These batches were last distributed in August 2010, therefore it is expected that very little stock will remain in the supply chain.

Recipients of these batches are asked to quarantine any remaining stock and return it to the original supplier for credit.

For stock and medical information enquiries please contact Customer Services, Sandoz UK Ltd on 01276 698020.

HSC Board/RQIA should bring this information to the attention of private hospitals/clinics registered with them and any other relevant care facilities.

Yours sincerely

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Chief Pharmaceutical Officer

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