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**For Action:** Directors of Pharmaceutical Services of the Boards & CSA  
Directors of Pharmaceutical Services of H&SS Trusts

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## **DRUG ALERT**

### **MEDICINES RECALL**

Dear Sir/Madam

**ABBOTT LABORATORIES LTD**  
**Gopten Capsules 1mg**  
**Trandolapril**

**PL 00037/0357**

<b>Batch Number</b>	<b>Expiry Date</b>	<b>Pack Size</b>
214268D	31 January 2007	28
214278D	28 February 2007	28
234278D	28 February 2007	28
264898D	30 June 2007	28
292068D	30 November 2007	28
312058D	31 January 2008	28

Abbott Laboratories Ltd are recalling the above batches which contain patient information leaflets for the Eire market. There are multiple differences in the content of the patient information leaflets for the two markets. We understand that every carton of the above batches is affected.

Please note, a common carton has been used for both Eire and UK markets. The carton states the above PL number and PA38/84/2. We understand that this problem has occurred because wholesalers have imported stock intended for Eire.

**All cartons of the above batch numbers are defective and are being recalled.**

As the product has been imported by several wholesalers it is not possible to provide a reliable date stock was First Distributed in the above table.

Recipients are requested to quarantine any remaining stock and return it to their supplier for credit.

For all queries relating to stock return, please call the Abbott Customer Services Manager on 01795 580303.

For medical enquiries please contact, Abbott Medical Information on 01628 773355 or email [ukmedinfo@abbott.com](mailto:ukmedinfo@abbott.com).

Area Boards should bring this information to the attention of private hospitals registered with them and out of hours centres.

The Central Services Agency is asked to bring this information to the attention of Community Pharmacists and Dispensing Doctors within 5 days.

Yours sincerely

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