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For Action: Directors of Pharmaceutical Services of the Boards & CSA
Directors of Pharmaceutical Services of HSC Trusts
Regional Quality Improvement Authority

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DRUG ALERT MEDICINES RECALL

Dear Healthcare Professional

**Genzyme Europe BV
Fabrazyme (35mg powder for reconstitution)
Agalsidase Beta 5mg per ml when reconstituted
EU/1/01/188/004-006**

Batch Number	Expiry Date	Pack Size	First Distributed
A8049H01	Aug 2011	1 vial per carton	12/11/2008
A8049H06	Aug 2011	1 vial per carton	05/12/2008
A8049H09	Aug 2011	1 vial per carton	09/01/2009

Genzyme Europe BV are recalling all remaining stock of the above batches due to incorrect fill volumes in a low proportion of the vials supplied. The problem only affects the above quoted batch numbers of the 5mg/ml (when reconstituted) formulation.

All unused stock of the above batches should be quarantined and returned for credit via the original supplier. For returns and credit enquiries, please contact Genzyme Therapeutics on 01865 405200.

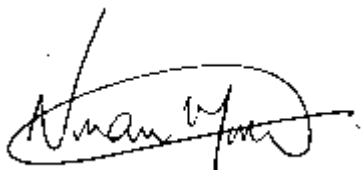
For medical information enquiries, please contact Genzyme Therapeutics on 01865 405200.

This product is normally used in hospital pharmacies and clinics and not by General Practitioners.

Recipients of this Drug Alert should bring this to the attention of relevant contacts by copy of this letter. However, we do not believe it is necessary to forward this to Community Pharmacists and General Practitioners.

Area Boards/RQIA should bring this information to the attention of private hospitals/clinics registered with them, Out of Hours Centres and any other relevant care facilities.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Norman Morrow', written over a horizontal line.

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