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FDA ADVISORY  
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**TO: ALL HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC**



**SUBJECT: Public Health Warning Against the Purchase and Use of the Counterfeit Anti-Rabies Serum (Equine) Equirab 200 IU/mL (1000 IU / 5 mL) Solution for Injection (I.M./S.C.)**

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) advises the public against the purchase and use of the counterfeit Anti-Rabies Serum (Equine) Equirab 200 IU/mL (1000 IU/5 mL) Solution for Injection (I.M./S.C.):

Authentic	Counterfeit
	<p>Note:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. "Distributed by" address is different from the authentic one;</li> <li>2. The blue shade in the box is lighter than the authentic product;</li> <li>3. 2D Barcode is not readable and coding pattern is different</li> </ol>

**Figure 1.** Comparison of the secondary packaging between the Authentic and Verified Counterfeit Anti-Rabies Serum (Equine) Equirab 200 IU/mL (1000 IU / 5 mL) Solution for Injection (I.M./S.C.) (Batch nos. A02719010, A02719013, A06820003, A02719014)



Authentic	Counterfeit
	
<p>Note:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. “Distributed by” address is different from the authentic one;</li> <li>2. The blue shade in the label of the vial is lighter than the authentic product.</li> </ol>	

**Figure 2.** Comparison of primary packaging between the Authentic and Verified Counterfeit Anti-Rabies Serum (Equine) Equirab 200 IU/mL (1000 IU / 5 mL) Solution for Injection (I.M./S.C.) (Batch nos. A02719010, A02719013, A06820003, A02719014)

The FDA together with the Marketing Authorization Holder (MAH), BSV Bio Science Phils., Inc., have verified that the above-mentioned sample drug product is counterfeit.

All healthcare professionals and the general public are hereby warned as to the availability of this counterfeit drug product in the market which poses potential danger or injury to consumers. Consumers are also reminded to purchase drug products only from FDA-licensed establishments.

Likewise, all establishments and outlets are hereby warned against selling and/or dispensing of this drug product with the abovementioned features of a counterfeit drug product. The importation, selling or offering for sale of such is in direct violation of Republic Act No. 9711 or the Food and Drug Administration Act of 2009, and Republic Act No. 8203 or the Special Law on Counterfeit Drugs. Anyone found selling the said counterfeit drug product will be penalized.

All Local Government Units (LGUs) and Law Enforcement Agencies (LEAs) are requested to ensure that this counterfeit product is not sold or made available in their localities or areas of jurisdiction.



For more information and inquiries, please e-mail us at [info@fda.gov.ph](mailto:info@fda.gov.ph). To report continuous sale or distribution of counterfeit health products, kindly e-mail us via [report@fda.gov.ph](mailto:report@fda.gov.ph), or through the online reporting facility, **eReport**, at [www.fda.gov.ph/ereport](http://www.fda.gov.ph/ereport). You may also call the Center for Drug Regulation and Research at telephone number **(02) 8809-5596**. For any suspected adverse drug reaction (ADR), report immediately to FDA through this link: <https://primaryreporting.who-umc.org/Reporting/Reporter?OrganizationID=PH> and fill out all the required fields.

Dissemination of the information to all concerned is requested.

  
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