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TO:

ALL HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS AND THE GENERAL

PUBLIC

SUBJECT:

Public Health Warning Against the Use of the Counterfeit

Tetanus Antitoxin (Antitet) 1500 IU/0.75 mL Solution for Injection (IM/IV/SC) and 3000 IU/0.95 mL Solution for Injection

(IM/IV/SC)

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) warns the public against the use of the counterfeit Tetanus Antitoxin (Antitet), 1500 IU/0.75 mL Solution for Injection (IM/IV/SC) and Tetanus Antitoxin (Antitet), 3000 IU/0.95 mL Solution for Injection (IM/IV/SC).

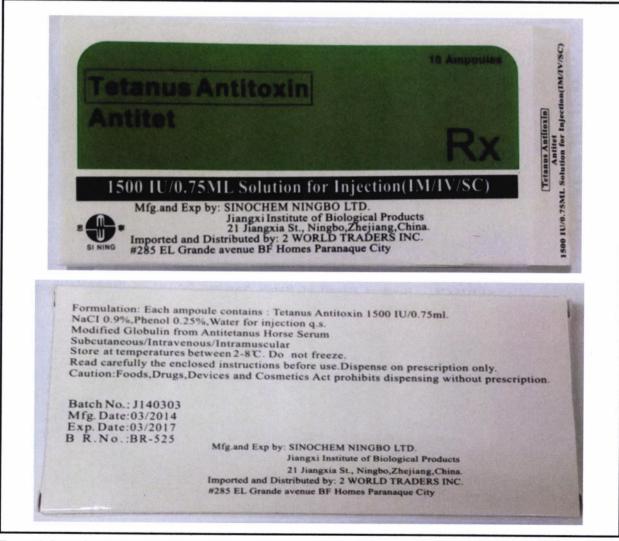


Figure 1. Secondary packaging of the counterfeit Tetanus Antitoxin (Antitet) 1500 IU/0.75 mL Solution for Injection (IM/IV/SC)







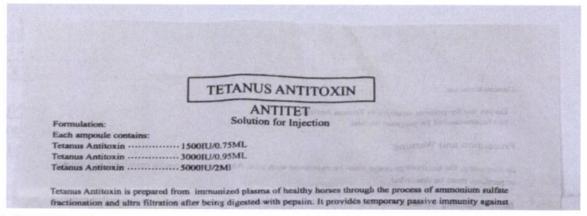


Figure 2. Ampoules and package insert of the counterfeit Tetanus Antitoxin (Antitet) 1500 IU/0.75 mL Solution for Injection (IM/IV/SC)

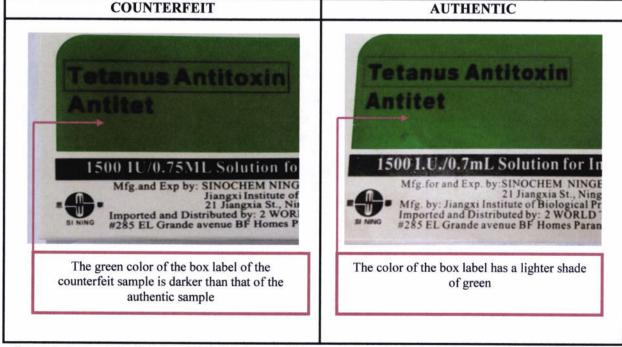


Figure 3. Comparison of the box color of the counterfeit against the authentic product Antitet 1500 IU/0.7 mL Solution for Injection (IM/IV/SC)

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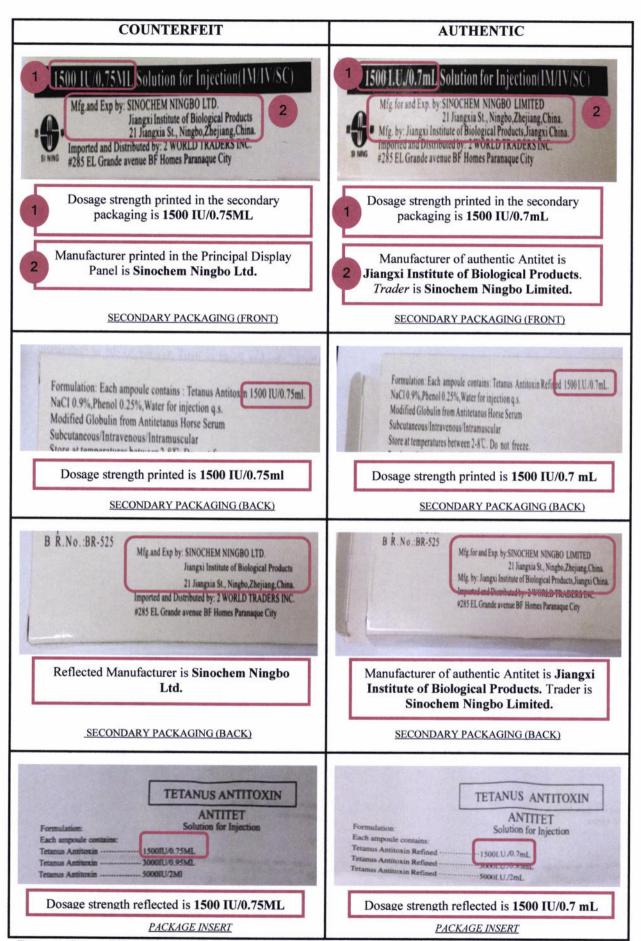


Figure 4. Comparison between the secondary packaging and package insert of the counterfeit product against the authentic Tetanus Antitoxin (Antitet) 1500 IU/0.7 mL Solution for Injection (IM/IV/SC)

COUNTERFEIT **AUTHENTIC** Labels are misaligned; Gap between the label is Label placement is accurate inconsistent Authentic sample Counterfeit samples contain clear colorless solution but an ampoule with milky white contains a clear, colorless solution liquid was found in a box of 10's

Figure 5. Comparison between the ampoules of the counterfeit and authentic Tetanus Antitoxin (Antitet) 1500 IU/0.7 mL Solution for Injection (IM/IV/SC)

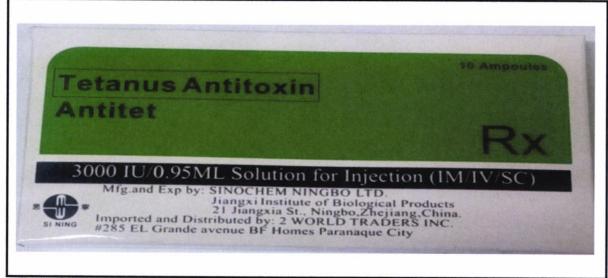


Figure 6. Secondary packaging of the counterfeit Tetanus Antitoxin (Antitet) 3000 IU/0.95 mL Solution for Injection (IM/IV/SC)

Formulation: Each ampoule contains: Tetanus Antitoxin 3000 LU/0.95ml.
NaCl 0.9%, Phenol 0.25%, Water for injection q.s.
Modified Globulin from Antiteranus Horse Serum
Subcutaneous/Intravenous/Intrav

Figure 7. Secondary packaging and ampoules of the counterfeit Tetanus Antitoxin (Antitet) 3000 IU/0.95 mL Solution for Injection (IM/IV/SC)



Figure 8. Comparison between the secondary packaging of the counterfeit product against the authentic Tetanus Antitoxin (Antitet) 3000 IU/0.95 mL Solution for Injection (IM/IV/SC)



Figure 9. Comparison between the secondary packaging and ampoules of the counterfeit product against the authentic Tetanus Antitoxin (Antitet) 3000 IU/0.95 mL Solution for Injection (IM/IV/SC)

The Food and Drug Administration together with the Marketing Authorization Holder, 2 World Traders Inc., and legitimate supplier, Sinochem Ningbo Limited, have confirmed that the aforementioned products are counterfeit.

All healthcare professionals and the general public are hereby warned as to the availability of these counterfeit drug products in the market which pose potential danger or injury to consumers. 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.

All establishments and outlets are hereby warned against selling and/or dispensing the above identified drug products. Anyone found selling the said drug products will be penalized.

The officers of the Field Regulatory Operations Office (FROO) are hereby mandated to exercise their regulatory function pursuant to Section 14 of Republic Act No. 9711. Likewise, all local government units and law enforcement agencies are requested to ensure that these drug products are not sold or offered for sale in their localities or areas of jurisdiction.

Consumers are advised to purchase drug products only from FDA-licensed establishments. Always look for the FDA Registration number on the product label. Be reminded that drug products registered with FDA Philippines bear in their labels information in both English and Filipino for all consumers to understand.

For more information and inquiries, please e-mail us at info@fda.gov.ph. To report continuous sale or distribution of unregistered health products kindly e-mail us via report@fda.gov.ph or call telephone number (02)807-8275. For any suspected adverse drug reaction (ADR), report immediately to FDA through this link: www.fda.gov.ph/adr-report-new and fill out all the required fields.

Dissemination of the information to all concerned is requested.

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