

**IMMEDIATE MESSAGE TO:**

1. Directors of Pharmacy
2. Chief Pharmacists NHS Boards
3. Hospital Pharmacy Managers
4. Medical Directors NHS Boards
5. Chief Executives NHS Boards

13 August 2014

Dear Healthcare Professional,

**DRUG ALERT CLASS 2 no 13  
2014 – ACTION WITHIN 48 HOURS**

Please see the attached drug alert for onward transmission as below.  
Could all Directors of Pharmacy please forward this alert to:-

- Hospital Pharmacists
- Chief Pharmacists to forward on to Medicines Information Pharmacists

1. Please could Medical Directors forward this alert to:-

- General Practitioners
- Accident & Emergency Departments
- Directors of Public Health
- Relevant Clinics
- Chief Executives of NHS Board

Thank you for your co-operation.

Yours sincerely

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Finance, e-Health and Pharmaceuticals Directorate

# DRUG ALERT

## CLASS 2 MEDICINES RECALL

**Action Within 48 Hours**  
**Hospital ward, hospital pharmacy, clinic and wholesale level recall**

Date: 13-Aug-2014

EL (14)A/13

Our Ref: MDR 09-08/14

Dear Healthcare Professional,

### Teva UK Limited

**Idarubicin 1mg/ml injection 5 & 10 ml**  
**(Idarubicin)**

**PL 00289/1080**

Batch Number	Expiry Date	Pack Size	First Distributed
3320413	Apr-16	5 ml	12-Jul-2013
3330413	Apr-16	10 ml	12-Jul-2013

Teva UK Limited is recalling, as a precautionary measure, two batches of Idarubicin 1mg/ml injection following discovery of a red precipitate during stability testing under cold storage conditions. Adverse effects in patients are not expected due to this issue, but cannot be excluded. No complaints or adverse reaction reports on the batches mentioned above which may be related to this issue have been received by the company to date.

Remaining stock of these batches should be quarantined and returned to the original supplier for credit. For stock enquiries please contact Teva UK Limited Customer Service on 0800 590 502.

For medical information enquiries please contact Teva UK Limited by phone on 0207 5407117 or by email to [medinfo@tevauk.com](mailto:medinfo@tevauk.com)

Recipients of this Drug Alert should bring it to the attention of relevant contacts by copy of this letter.

Yours faithfully

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