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IMMEDIATE MESSAGE TO:

1. Directors of Pharmacy
2. Medical Directors NHS Boards

23 February 2017

Dear Healthcare Professional,

DRUG ALERT CLASS 2 no 4 2017 – 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:-

- Community Pharmacists
- Hospital Pharmacists
- Primary Care Pharmacists

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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DRUG ALERT

CLASS 2 MEDICINES RECALL

Action Within 48 Hours
Patient, Pharmacy and Wholesale Level Recall

Date: 23 February 2017

EL (17)A/04

Our Ref: MDR 72-02/17

Dear Healthcare Professional,

UCB Pharma Limited

Viridal Duo Powder and Solvent for Solution for Injection:

10 micrograms/ml
40 micrograms/ml
(Alprostadi)

PL 00039/0751
PL 00039/0753

Viridal Strength	Batch number	Expiry date	Pack size	Date of first distribution
10 micrograms/ml	5692601	05/2019	2 x 1ml	03/01/2017
10 micrograms/ml	5692603	05/2019	2 x 1ml	16/02/2017
40 micrograms/ml	5678703	11/2018	2 x 1ml	13/04/2016
40 micrograms/ml	5678705	11/2018	2 x 1ml	25/05/2016
40 micrograms/ml	5678707	11/2018	2 x 1ml	03/08/2016
40 micrograms/ml	5678708	11/2018	2 x 1ml	08/09/2016
40 micrograms/ml	5678709	11/2018	2 x 1ml	31/10/2016
40 micrograms/ml	5683203	03/2019	2 x 1ml	09/12/2016
40 micrograms/ml	5683205	03/2019	2 x 1ml	29/12/2016
40 micrograms/ml	5683208	03/2019	2 x 1ml	16/02/2017
40 micrograms/ml	5678701	11/2018	2 x 1ml	10/05/2016
40 micrograms/ml	5678704	11/2018	2 x 1ml	02/08/2016
40 micrograms/ml	5678706	11/2018	2 x 1ml	09/09/2016
40 micrograms/ml	5683201	03/2019	2 x 1ml	20/10/2016
40 micrograms/ml	5683204	03/2019	2 x 1ml	03/01/2017
40 micrograms/ml	5683207	03/2019	2 x 1ml	02/02/2017

UCB Pharma Limited is voluntarily recalling the above batches as a precautionary measure due to a possible issue with the integrity of the cap seal which may result in a lack of sterility assurance. The company has received no relevant reports of adverse reactions or product complaints associated with any UK batches to date.

Remaining stock of the listed batches should be quarantined and returned to the original supplier for credit.

Patients are asked to return packs from affected batches to their community pharmacist. Limited replacement stock is available through wholesalers.



For stock enquiries, please contact:

UCB Customer Service
Tel: 01753 477770
Freephone: 0800 9233131

For medical information enquiries, please contact:

UCB Cares
Tel: 01753 777 100
Email: UCBCares.UK@ucb.com

Recipients of this Drug Alert should bring it to the attention of relevant contacts by copy of this letter. NHS regional teams are asked to forward this to relevant clinics, general practitioners and community pharmacists.

Yours faithfully

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