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# Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices Safety Information No. 312 April 2014 Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare & Pharmaceutical and Food Safety Bureau, Japan

**Outline of Information** No. Subject Measures Page Cases of foetal ductus arteriosus systole have been reported in Japan after maternal use of the topical non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drug ketoprofen during the third trimester. A case of oligohydramnios also has been reported in **Use of Topical Ketoprofen** С 1 Japan after maternal use of ketoprofen tapes 4 during Pregnancy during the second trimester. On March 25, 2014, the MHLW/PMDA required marketing authorization holders to revise the Precautions section in package inserts. Details are presented in this section. Ketoprofen (tapes) (and 2 others): Regarding the revision of the Precautions section of package inserts of drugs in accordance with the С **Important Safety** 2 Notification dated March 25, 2014, the contents 9 Information Р of important revisions and case summaries that served as the basis for these revisions are provided in this section. **Revision of Precautions** Ketoprofen (injectable dosage form, 3 18 suppository) (and 7 others) (No. 255) List of Products Subject to Lists products subject to Early Post-marketing 4 **Early Post-marketing** 21 Phase Vigilance as of April 1, 2014. Phase Vigilance

# [Outline of Information]

D: Distribution of Dear Healthcare Professional Letters P: Revision of Precautions C: Case Reports

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# Reporting of safety information such as adverse reactions to the Minister of Health, Labour and Welfare is a duty of medical and pharmaceutical providers.

If medical and pharmaceutical providers such as physicians, dentists, and pharmacists detect adverse reactions, infections associated with drugs or medical devices, or medical device adverse events, it is mandatory for such providers to report them to the Minister of Health, Labour and Welfare directly or through the marketing authorization holder. As medical and pharmaceutical providers, drugstore and pharmacy personnel are also required to report safety issues related to drugs and medical devices.

# **Abbreviations**

ADRs	Adverse drug reactions
ALP	Alkaline phosphatase
ALT (GPT)	Alanine aminotransferase (Glutamate pyruvate transaminase)
AST (GOT)	Aspartate aminotransferase (Glutamate oxaloacetate transaminase)
BUN	Blood urea nitrogen
Cr	Creatinine
CRP	C-reactive protein
СТ	Computed tomography
DBP	Diastolic blood pressure
DIHS	Drug-induced hypersensitivity syndrome
EPPV	Early Post-marketing Phase Vigilance
FDP	Fibrin/fibrinogen degradation product
FLAIR	Fluid-attenuated inversion recovery
HHV-6	Human herpesvirus 6
IgG	Immunoglobulin G
IU	International unit
LDH	Lactate dehydrogenase
MAH	Marketing authorization holder
МСН	Mean corpuscular hemoglobin
МСНС	Mean corpuscular hemoglobin concentration
MCV	Mean corpuscular volume
MHLW	Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare
MRI	Magnetic resonance imaging
PLT	Platelet
PMDA	Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices Agency
PMDSI	Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices Safety Information
PRES	Posterior reversible encephalopathy syndrome
РТ	Prothrombin Time
RBC	Red blood cell count
SAH	Subarachnoid hemorrhage
SBP	Systolic blood pressure
T-Bil	Total bilirubin
TC	Paclitaxel and carboplatin
WBC	White blood cell count
γ-GTP	gamma-glutamyl transpeptidase

# Use of Topical Ketoprofen during Pregnancy

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Active ingredient	Ketoprofen (For topical use)	
Brand Name (name of company)	<ol> <li>MOHRUS TAPE 20 mg, MOHRUS TAPE L 40 mg (Hisamitsu Pharmaceutical Co., Inc.)</li> <li>EPATEC GEL 3%, EPATEC LOTION 3%, EPATEC CREAM 3% (Zeria Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd.), SECTOR GEL 3%, SECTOR LOTION 3%, SECTOR CREAM 3% (Hisamitsu Pharmaceutical Co., Inc.) MILTAX PAP 30mg (Nipro Patch Co., Ltd.) MOHRUS PAP 30 mg, 60 mg (Hisamitsu Pharmaceutical Co., Inc.) and the others</li> </ol>	
Therapeutic Category	Analgesics, antipruritics, astringents, anti-inflammatory agents	
Indications	<ul> <li>(1)</li> <li>1. Relief of pain and inflammation associated with the following disorders and symptoms: Lumbago (myofascial lower back pain, spinal osteoarthritis, discopathy, lumbar vertebrae sprain), osteoarthritis, scapulohumeral periarthritis, tendinitis/tendovaginitis, peritendinitis, humeral epicondylitis (e.g. tennis elbow), myalgia, post-traumatic swelling and pain</li> <li>2. Relief of local joint pain in rheumatoid arthritis</li> <li>(2)</li> <li>Relief of pain and inflammation associated with the following disorders and symptoms</li> <li>Osteoarthritis, scapulohumeral periarthritis, tendinitis/tendovaginitis, peritendinitis, tendinitis, peritendinitis, periten</li></ul>	

## 1. Introduction

Topical ketoprofen, a non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drug, was approved as an ethical drug in the dosage forms of gel, poultice, lotion, cream, and tape to be used for topical pain relief and anti-inflammation in July 1986, March 1988, September 1988, March 1989, and August 1995, respectively.

While the use of ketoprofen suppository and injection during the third trimester of pregnancy has been contraindicated, dermatologic ketoprofen was not.

Cases of foetal ductus arteriosus systole and other symptoms in pregnant women have been reported after use of ketoprofen tapes, MHLW required marketing authorization holders (MAHs) to revise the Precautions section in package inserts of topical ketoprofen products, including the tape formula, to include a contraindication in the third trimester and other associated information. Details are provided in the following section.

## 2. Background

Cases of foetal ductus arteriosus systole in women who continuously used multiple sheets of ketoprofen tape during the third trimester were reported in Japan. In December 2008, the MAHs revised the Precautions to advise women in the third trimester to use the ketoprofen tapes carefully. After

receiving another report on a similar case, the MAHs distributed information materials to healthcare professionals to raise caution against continuous use of multiple sheets of ketoprofen tape in the third trimester in November 2011.

After that, similar cases were further reported. PMDA discussed the necessity of further alerting pregnant women.

Based on a reported case in which foetal ductus arteriosus systole occurred in a woman who used a sheet of ketoprofen tape a day for 1 week during the third trimester, the number of reported cases and the contraindication of ketoprofen suppository and injection in the third trimester, PMDA decided that an alert for the use of ketoprofen tape was also needed in the same way as ketoprofen suppository and injection. Since ketoprofen for topicalal use other than the tape form may also cause the same adverse reaction, MHLW instructed all the relevant MAHs to revise the Precautions section to include a contraindication against the use in the third trimester on March 25, 2014.

Oligohydramnios was also reported in a woman who used ketoprofen tape in the second trimester of pregnancy. PMDA decided that an alert against the use of ketoprofen-containing products in the second trimester was necessary, and MHLW instructed the MAHs to include an advice for careful use such as use at the lowest effective dose for the shortest necessary duration in the Use in Pregnant, Parturient and Nursing Women section.

# 3. Incidence of foetal ductus arteriosus systole and oligohydramnios associated with ketoprofen tape

Four cases of foetal ductus arteriosus systole in the third trimester and one case of oligohydramnios in the second trimester were reported between the initial marketing of ketoprofen tape in December 1995 and January 10, 2014. (Table 1)

Case	Year of reporting	Gestational stage	Dose	Duration of use	Adverse reaction (Preferred term)	Outcome
1	2005	In the end stage of pregnancy	80 mg/day	Approximately 10 days	Foetal ductus arteriosus stenosis	Recovered
2	2008	Pre-pregnancy to 35 weeks	140 to 240 mg/day	≥35 weeks	Ductus arteriosus premature closure	Improved
3	2011	After 36 weeks	5 to 6 sheets/day (dose unknown)	Approximately 5 weeks	Ductus arteriosus premature closure	Improved
4	2011	34 to 35 weeks	20 mg/day	1 week	Foetal ductus arteriosus stenosis	Recovered
5	2013	Until 23 weeks	120 mg/day	≥23 days	Oligohydramnios	Recovered

## Table 1Adverse events with Ketoprofen tapes

Two cases of adverse reactions reported after the distribution of information material to alert healthcare professionals in November 2011 are shown below.

	Patient	Daily dose/	Adverse reactions
Sex/ Age	Reason for use (complications)	Treatment duration	Clinical course and therapeutic measures
Female	Unknown	20 mg/	Foetal ductus arteriosus systole
30s	(unknown)	7 days	Day 1 of administration:
			The patient received ketoprofen tapes that were prescribed for another person and started using one sheet of them per day, at the end of gestation week 34. Drugs other than the topical ketoprofen product were not used.
			Day 7 of administration (day of completion): The patient used the ketoprofen tapes for 1 week and stopped using this drug at the end of gestation week 35.
			Day of delivery: The patient was transported by ambulance at 36 weeks and 1 day of gestation. The examination showed pulmonary hypertension and enlargement of the right ventricle in the fetus, and caesarian section was performed. The infant's body weight was 3 421 g and Apgar score was 8/10.
			Foetal ductus arteriosus systole was suspected.
			Date unknown: The infant recovered without sequela by 5 months.
Concom	itant medications:	none	

# <Case 4> Ketoprofen (tape)

## <Case 5> Ketoprofen (tape)

Patient		Daily dose/	Adverse reactions
Sex/ Age	Reason for use (complications)	Treatment duration	Clinical course and therapeutic measures
Female 20s	Juvenile rheumatoid arthritis, exacerbated pain (none)	Dose unknown ↓ 120 mg Unknown	<ul> <li>Oligohydramnios</li> <li>The patient had been treated with methotrexate, etanercept, and prednisolone for juvenile rheumatoid arthritis. Administration of these drugs was discontinued immediately after the pregnancy was confirmed. After that, joint symptoms were aggravated, administration of prednisolone was only resumed. Oral acetaminophen was used for relief of pain.</li> <li>Day 1 of administration:</li> <li>The patient started using ketoprofen tapes without consulting her healthcare professionals for aggravated joint pain associated with juvenile rheumatoid arthritis.</li> <li>Date unknown:</li> <li>At around gestation week 20, the patient started using a total of 6 sheets of ketoprofen tape per day for aggravated pain in the inner elbows, inner wrists and knees.</li> <li>Date unknown:</li> <li>At 20 weeks and 3 days of gestation, the periodic prenatal checkup showed no abnormality.</li> <li>Day of onset:</li> <li>The patient visited the obstetric clinic for a periodic prenatal checkup at 23 weeks and 3 days of gestation.</li> <li>Amniotic fluid was almost absent. Amniotic fluid index was immeasurable. The maximum depth was barely 2 cm. Foetal growth was normal. Presence of stomach bubble, kidneys, and</li> </ul>

	bladder was noted. No organic abnormality was found in the
	kidneys and urinary tract of the foetus. Pelvic examination
	showed no rupture of the membrane. The patient was diagnosed
	with unexplained oligohydramnios.
	The patient was admitted to the hospital for close monitoring.
	Day 2 of onset (day of discontinuation):
	Use of ketoprofen tape was discontinued. Oral administration of
	prednisolone and acetaminophen was continued.
	Day 3 of onset (1 day after discontinuation):
	Amniotic fluid gradually increased.
	Day 9 of onset (7 days after discontinuation):
	The patient was discharged from the hospital after sufficient
	recovery of amniotic fluid. Good fetal growth was confirmed.
	The patient was to be followed up on an outpatient basis.
	Day 15 of onset (13 days after discontinuation):
	At 25 weeks and 3 days of gestation, the amniotic fluid volume
	turned normal. Oligohydramnios was resolved.
	Day 104 of onset (102 days after discontinuation):
	No fetal abnormalities were noted and the patient's gestation
	period was 38 weeks.
	Day of delivery:
	At gestation week 39, the patient and the fetus were both
	healthy. The patient had a natural birth.
	The patient was discharged from the hospital after a good
	postpartum course.
	1 month after delivery:
	At 1-month checkup, the mother and the infant had no health
	issues.
	6 months after delivery:
	At 6-month checkup, no abnormality was noted.
Concomitant medications: prednisolone, a	

# 4. Precautions concerning use during pregnancy

As shown in **Table 2**, precautions against the use during pregnancy were added in the section of Contraindications and Use in Pregnant, Parturient and Nursing Women as a result of the revision of the package insert in March 2014. Healthcare professionals are encouraged to be aware of the following precautions and to take appropriate measures.

- (1) Foetal ductus arteriosus systole may occur in pregnant women during the third trimester. Topical ketoprofen should not be administered.
- (2) When a ketoprofen product is administered to pregnant women during the second trimester, this drug should be used at the lowest effective dose for the shortest necessary duration, taking into account that oligohydramnios have been reported after maternal use of ketoprofen tapes during the second trimester.

Although no foetal ductus arteriosus systole has been reported in association with other topical non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs, it may occur when these drugs are used in pregnant women during the third trimester of pregnancy considering the mechanism of action. Therefore, they should be administered only if potential benefits outweigh risks.

For details of revisions, please see "2. Important Safety Information" on page 9 of this document.

Table 2	Precautions section in package inserts of topical ketoprofen products (as
	of April 2014)

	Pregnant women in the third trimester	
Use in Pregnant, Parturient And Nursing1.Foetal ductus arteriosus systole may occur when topical ketoprofen in pregnant women during the third trimester. This drug should not administered in the third trimester of pregnancy.2.Safety of topical ketoprofen is not established in pregnant (excludir third trimester), parturient and nursing women. This drug should be administered only if potential benefits outweigh the risks.3.A case of oligohydramnios has been reported after maternal use of ketoprofen during the second trimester. This drug should be used at lowest effective dose for the shortest necessary duration.	be og the topical	

# **Important Safety Information**

Regarding the revision of the Precautions section of package inserts of drugs in accordance with the Notification dated March 25, 2014, the contents of important revisions and case summaries that served as the basis for these revisions are provided in this section.

#### **Ketoprofen (tape) Brand Name** MOHRUS TAPE 20 mg, MOHRUS TAPE L 40 mg (Hisamitsu (name of company) Pharmaceutical Co., Inc.) and the others Therapeutic Category Analgesics, antipruritics, astringents, anti-inflammatory agents Relief of pain and inflammation associated with the following disorders 1. and symptoms Lumbago (myofascial lower back pain, spinal osteoarthritis, discopathy, Indications lumbar sprain), osteoarthritis, scapulohumeral periarthritis, tendinitis/ tendovaginitis, peritendinitis, humeral epicondylitis (e.g. tennis elbow), myalgia, post-traumatic swelling and pain 2. Relief of local joint pain in rheumatoid arthritis

#### **PRECAUTIONS** (underlined parts are revised)

Contraindications	Pregnant women in the third trimester (See "Use in Pregnant, Parturient And Nursing Women")
Use in Pregnant, Parturient And Nursing Women	Foetal ductus arteriosus systole <u>may occur</u> when <u>topical ketoprofen</u> is used in pregnant women during the third trimester. <u>This drug should not be administered</u> <u>in the third trimester of pregnancy.</u> Safety of topical ketoprofen is not established in pregnant <u>(excluding the third</u> <u>trimester)</u> , parturient and nursing women. This drug should be administered only if potential benefits outweigh the risks. <u>A case of oligohydramnios has been reported after maternal use of topical</u> <u>ketoprofen during the second trimester. This drug should be used at the lowest</u> <u>effective dose for the shortest necessary duration.</u>
Reference Information	<ul> <li>The number of reported adverse reactions (for which a causality to the drug could not be ruled out) for the past 3 years and 10 months (April 2010 to January 2014)</li> <li>Cases associated with foetal ductus arteriosus systole: 2 cases (no fatal cases)</li> <li>Oligohydramnios: 1 case (no fatal cases)</li> <li>The number of patients using this drug per year estimated by MAHs: Approximately 9.17 million (October 2012 to September 2013) Launched in Japan: December 1995</li> </ul>

# Paclitaxel (excluding paclitaxel protein-bound particles for injectable suspension)

Brand Name (name of company)	TAXOL INJECTION 30 mg, 100 mg (Bristol-Myers K.K.) and the others	
Therapeutic Category	Antineoplastics-Plant extract preparations	
Indications	Ovarian cancer, non-small cell lung cancer, breast cancer, gastric cancer, endometrial cancer, relapsed or metastatic head and neck cancer, relapsed or metastatic oesophageal cancer, angiosarcoma, advanced or relapsed cervix carcinoma, relapsed or refractory germ cell tumor (testicular tumor, ovarian tumor, extragonadal tumor)	

# **PRECAUTIONS (underlined parts are revised)**

Adverse Reactions (clinically significant adverse reactions)	<b>Tumour lysis syndrome:</b> Tumour lysis syndrome may occur. Patients should be carefully monitored by checking serum electrolyte levels and performing a renal function test, etc. If any abnormalities are observed, administration of this drug should be discontinued, appropriate measures (e.g. administration of physiological saline solution and/or hyperuricaemia therapeutic agents, and dialysis) should be taken, and patients should be carefully monitored until recovery from such
	symptoms.
	Leukoencephalopathy (including posterior reversible encephalopathy
	<b>syndrome [PRES]):</b> Leukoencephalopathy (including PRES) may occur. If symptoms including staggering gait, convulsion, headache, visual disturbance, hypertension, or disturbed consciousness are observed, administration of this drug should be discontinued, and appropriate measures should be taken.
Reference Information	<ul> <li>The number of reported adverse reactions (for which a causality to the drug could not be ruled out) for the past 3 years and 11 months (April 2010 to February 2014)</li> <li>Tumour lysis syndrome: 0 cases (no fatal cases)</li> <li>Leukoencephalopathy-associated cases: 5 cases (no fatal cases)</li> <li>The number of patients using this drug per year estimated by MAHs: Approximately 13 000 (2013)</li> </ul>

Launched in Japan: October 1997

		Patient	Daily	Adverse reactions
No.	Sex/ Age	Reason for use (complications)	dose/ Treatment duration	Clinical course and therapeutic measures
1	Male 60s	Lung carcinoma cell type unspecified stage III (hypertension/ gastrooesophageal reflux disease)	330 mg/ 3 courses	<ul> <li>PRES</li> <li>Day 1 of administration: <ul> <li>The patient was complicated with interstitial pneumonia, and chemotherapy with carboplatin and paclitaxel was performed for 3 courses.</li> </ul> </li> <li>(From the end day of 3 courses)</li> <li>22 days after administration: <ul> <li>Headache dull occurred.</li> </ul> </li> <li>25 days after administration: <ul> <li>The patients had pyrexia of 37.7°C and visited hospital.</li> <li>Ptosis of the right corner of the mouth was noted. T2-weighted image and fluid attenuated inversion recovery</li> <li>(FLAIR) image of a brain magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) showed high signal intensity in bilateral frontal</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	lobes. The patient was admitted to hospital. Administration			
	of concentrated glycerin/fructose and betamethasone			
	sodium phosphate was started for the treatment of brain			
	oedema, and intravenous injection of nicardipine was			
	started for the treatment of hypertension.			
	28 days after administration:			
	A brain MRI (gadolinium-contrasted) was performed and			
	showed no metastases to brain. Leukoencephalopathy was			
	suspected.			
	31 days after administration:			
	Lumbar puncture was performed. The cerebrospinal fluid			
	properties were not markedly changed.			
	38 days after administration:			
	Ptosis of the right corner of the mouth was alleviated.			
	39 days after administration:			
	Brain MRI was performed again, and the range of abnormal			
	signals decreased.			
	44 days after administration:			
	Mild ptosis of the right corner of the mouth remained, but			
	the patient was discharged from hospital.			
	Approximately 6 months after administration:			
	On a brain MRI, abnormal signals almost disappeared.			
	Approximately 14 months after administration:			
	On a brain MRI, abnormal signals almost disappeared.			
	Ptosis of the right corner of the mouth improved.			
The other suspected medications: carbo	platin injection			
Concomitant medications: loxoprofen s				
<b>r</b>				

Labor	atory parameter (unit)	Before start of administration	21 days after administration	25 days after administration	30 days after administration	84 days after administration
Body tempera	ature (°C)	_	37.6	_	_	_
Pulse rate	(/min)		89			_
SBP	(mmHg)		150		_	_
DBP	(mmHg)	_	94		_	
RBC	$(\times 10^{4}/\text{mm}^{3})$	448	226	236	249	360
Hemoglobin	(g/dL)	14.3	7.3	7.3	8.1	12.5
WBC	(/mm <sup>3</sup> )	9 400	5 000	6 400	7 200	6 100
	Neutrophils	68.8	57.0	75.5	65.0	46.5
Differential	Eosinophils	2.9	0	0.5	0	2.5
leukocyte	Basophils	0.2	1.0	0	0	0.2
count (%)	Monocytes	4.8	10.0	4.4	11.0	6.6
	Lymphocytes	23.3	32.0	19.6	24.0	44.2
PLT	$(\times 10^{4}/\text{mm}^{3})$	22.9	4.0	9.8	40.7	17.7
AST (GOT)	(IU/L)	21	18	18	16	19
ALT (GPT)	(IU/L)	22	17	16	17	15
ALP	(IU/L)	368	379	370	303	320
γ-GTP	(IU/L)	75	50	54	58	44
LDH	(IU/L)	236	178	200	184	177
T-Bil	(mg/dL)	0.30	0.43	0.53	0.48	0.48
BUN	BUN (mg/dL)		18	12	20	19
Serum Cr (mg/dL)		0.60	0.88	0.89	0.84	0.78
Blood glucos	e level (mg/dL)	118	129	148	86	118
К			4.4	4.0	9.4	9.5
Na	Na (mEq/L)		139	132	135	141
Ca	(mEq/L)	10.8	9.1	9.3	9.4	9.5
Albumin	(g/dL)	4.2	3.9	_	3.7	4.3

	Patient		Daily dose/	Adverse reactions
No.	Sex/ Age	Reason for use (complications)	Treatment duration	Clinical course and therapeutic measures
No. 2	Sex/	Reason for use	Treatment	
				19 days after administration: The high signal intensity on T2-weighted image and FLAIR image, which was pointed out on previous head MRI, substantially decreased (with no inconsistency as the course of PRES). A linear lesion was noted in the left occipital lobe and low signal intensity was identified on the T1-weighted image. Therefore there was a possibility that the disease remained.

Laboratory Examination							
Laboratory	v parameter (unit)	2 days before administration	Before start of administration	5 days after administration	12 days after administration	15 days after administration	17 days after administration
Body temper	rature (°C)	36.5	_	36.6	38.2	_	_
Pulse rate	(/min)	77		75	110	_	_
SBP	(mmHg)	133		145	200		_
DBP	(mmHg)	77		91	110		_
RBC	$(\times 10^{4}/\text{mm}^{3})$	361		398	393	333	350
Hemoglobin	(g/dL)	11.4		12.3	12.2	10.5	10.7
WBC	(/mm <sup>3</sup> )	4 700		3 900	4 900	2 000	7 500
	Neutrophils	66.9		78.7	80.6	39.1	82.7
Differential	Eosinophils	2.5		2.9	0.1	2.5	0.5
leukocyte	Basophils	0.3		0.1	1.7	0.9	0.2
count (%)	Monocytes	10.1		0.9	9.0	17.4	5.5
	Lymphocytes	20.2		17.4	8.6	40.1	11.1
PLT	$(\times 10^{4}/\text{mm}^{3})$	16.7		14.5	9.1	7.3	10.7
РТ	(%)	_	_	_	96.1	_	—
FDP	(µg/mL)				11.4		_
D-dimer	(ng/mL)	_	_	_	4.3	_	—
AST (GOT)	(IU/L)	17	_	51	20	_	—
ALT (GPT)	(IU/L)	12	_	34	19	_	—
Blood glucos	se (mg/dL)	_			136	_	_
level							
BUN (mg/dL)		4.5	—	8.5	6.2	—	—
Serum Cr (mg/dL)		0.4	—	0.3	0.3	_	—
K (mEq/L)		4.9		3.9	3.8		—
Na	(mEq/L)	140		136	137		
Urine output	(mL/24hr)	1 600	_	_	_	3 000	1 650

		Patient	Daily dose/	Adverse reactions
No.	Sex/ Age	Reason for use (complications)	Treatment duration	Clinical course and therapeutic measures
3	Female 70s	Breast cancer (metastases to bone/metastases to liver)	90mg Once a week (3 times a month) × 23 times	<ul> <li>PRES</li> <li>Day 1 of administration: The patient started receiving paclitaxel (90 mg/day).</li> <li>232 days after administration: PRES developed. Administration of paclitaxel was terminated (total dose of 2 070 mg).</li> <li>237 days after administration: The patient fell in the afternoon when going out. After that, the patient also experienced paralysis in her right upper limb, and then visited this hospital without reservation and was admitted to the hospital. Diffusion-weighted imaging of brain MRI after hospital admission showed high intensity mainly in the white matter of the bilateral occipital lobes and left frontal lobe, and as such the patient was diagnosed with PRES. As an anti-brain oedema agent, 2 vials of edaravone (60 mg/day) were intravenously infused (for 14 days from 237 days after administration). Rehabilitation exercises were performed. Activities of daily living were improved by edaravone and rehabilitation exercises.</li> </ul>

	The bilateral occipital lobe lesions disappeared. 275 days after administration: Brain MRI showed a finding in a part of the left motor area of the left frontal lobe, but improvement was found.					
Concomitant medications: ranitidine hydrochloride, dexamethasone sodium phosphate, chlorpheniramine maleate						

Laboratory parameter (unit)		Before start of administration	232 days after administration	246 days after administration
RBC	$(\times 10^{4}/\mu L)$	_	323	327
Hemoglobin	(g/dL)	—	10.6	10.5
Hematocrit	(%)	—	31.7	32.6
MCV	(fL)	—	98.1	99.7
МСН	(pg)	—	32.8	32.1
MCHC	(%)	—	33.4	32.2
WBC	(/µL)	_	6 600	3 400
Segmented cells	(%)	_	67	48
Lymphocytes	(%)	_	28	33
Monocytes	(%)	_	4	15
Eosinophils	(%)	_	_	1
PLT	$(\times 10^{4}/\mu L)$	_	20.7	19.2
AST (GOT)	(IU/L)	—	57	45
ALT (GPT)	(IU/L)	—	50	28
LDH	(IU/L)	—	309	245
ALP	(IU/L)	—	869	682
γ-GTP	(IU/L)	—	820	582
Cholinesterase	(IU/L)	—	208	176
T-Bil	(mg/dL)	—	0.91	0.93
BUN	(mg/dL)	—	11.2	8.5
Blood Cr	(mg/dL)	—	0.54	0.41
Uric acid	(mg/dL)	—	4.3	—
Total protein	(g/dL)	—	5.4	4.7
Albumin	(g/dL)	—	3.2	2.8
CRP	(mg/dL)	—	1.94	1.76
Blood glucose level	(mg/dL)		107	87
Na	(mEq/L)	_	144	146
К	(mEq/L)	_	3.8	3.5
Cl	(mEq/L)	—	107	108
Са	(mg/dL)		9	8.6

# 3 Levetiracetam

Brand Name (name of company)	E Keppra Tablets 250 mg, 500 mg, E Keppra Dry Syrup 50% (UCB Japan Co. Ltd.)
Therapeutic Category	Antiepileptics
Indications	Concomitant therapy with other antiepileptic drugs for partial seizures (including secondary generalized seizure) in patients who fail to show satisfactory response to other antiepileptic drugs

# **PRECAUTIONS (underlined parts are revised)**

Adverse Reactions	Drug-induced hypersensitivity syndrome (DIHS): Rash or pyrexia may occur as
(clinically	the initial symptoms and signs followed by serious late-onset hypersensitivity
significant adverse	symptoms with hepatic dysfunction, lymphadenopathy, increased white blood
reactions)	cells, increased eosinocyte, and atypical lymphocytes. Patients should be carefully
	monitored. If such symptoms are observed, administration of this drug should be
	discontinued and appropriate measures should be taken. The reactivation of viruses
	including Human Herpes virus 6 (HHV-6) has been found frequently associated
	with DIHS. Symptoms such as rash, pyrexia, and/or hepatic dysfunction may
	relapse or be prolonged even after discontinuing administration, and thus caution
	should be exercised.
Reference Information	The number of reported adverse reactions (for which a causality to the drug could not be ruled out) for the past 3 years and 5 months (from initial marketing to January 2014)
	• DIHS-associated cases: 5 cases (no fatal cases)
	The number of patients using this drug per year estimated by MAHs:
	Approximately 76 000 (2013)
	Launched in Japan: (1) Tablet: September 2010
	(2) Dry Syrup: August 2013

		Patient	Daily dose/	Adverse reactions
No.	Pason for 3		Treatment	Clinical course and therapeutic measures
1	Male	Epilepsy	250 mg	Erythema exudativum multiforme (severe drug eruption
	30s	(none)	Unknown (for	suspected to be DIHS)
			approximately	Several weeks after the start of administration:
			1 month)	The patient experienced erythema on the back.
				5 days after the onset of erythema:
				Pharynx pain, stomatitis, erythema multiforme on the limbs, and diffuse erythema on the abdomen appeared.
				12 days after the onset of erythema: Pyrexia in the 38°C level developed.
				13 days after the onset of erythema: The blood tests showed an elevation of hepatic enzymes and the patient was admitted to hospital. Acute hepatitis and acute nephritis developed.
				Findings at admission
				<ul> <li>Bulbar conjunctiva: No jaundice/hyperaemia and no anaemia</li> </ul>
				• Abdomen: Flat and soft, with impalpable liver/spleen, no tenderness, audible intestinal peristalsis sound, inaudible vascular murmur

	• Diffuse light erythema was found on the chest and back
	Diffuse light crythenia was found on the chest and back.
	• Erythema exudativum multiforme was found on the limbs.
	After admission:
	Symptomatic therapy with non-steroidal anti-inflammatory
	drugs did not improve the symptoms and test data.
	Day 4 of hospitalization (day of discontinuation):
	DIHS, drug fever, drug eruption, drug-induced liver injury, and drug-induced renal injury were suspected. Oral administration of carbamazepine and levetiracetam was
	discontinued.
	Chest/abdominal CT findings showed patterns of bilateral
	kidney enlargement and perinephritis. Skin biopsy showed
	inflammatory cell infiltration, mainly of lymphocytes and eosinophils in the epidermis.
	As treatment for adverse events, the patient received fluid
	replacement and was kept at rest.
	Day 15 of hospitalization:
	The patient was discharged from hospital.
	Erythema exudativum multiforme, acute hepatitis, acute
	nephritis resolved.
Concomitant medications: carbamazepir	*

		Day of admission	Day of discontinuation (Day 4 of hospitalization)	22 days after discontinuation
AST	(IU/L)	150	223	21
ALT	(IU/L)	257	430	40
Eosinophils	(/µL)	—	1 125	703
HHV-6 IgG		—	1:40	1:160
BUN	(mg/dL)	8.2	24.7	18.1
Cr	(mg/dL)	0.68	1.4	1.09

		Patient Daily dese/		Adverse reactions
No.	b. Sex/ Reason for Age (complications)		Daily dose/ Treatment duration	Clinical course and therapeutic measures
2	Male	Epilepsy	1 000 mg	Suspected DIHS
	60s	(diabetes mellitus)	for 36 days	The patient received levetiracetam 1 000 mg/day in addition to carbamazepine 400 mg.
				Day 33 of administration:
				The patient experienced drug eruption.
				Day 36 of administration (day of discontinuation):
				Skin symptoms and abnormal hepatic function were noted,
				the condition was diagnosed as drug eruption, and then administration of levetiracetam was discontinued.
				Prednisolone 15 mg/day (for 6 days) and antihistamine drug were prescribed.
				6 days after discontinuation:
				No improvement of drug eruption was found and
				dehydration, pyrexia, and renal impairment were observed,
				the patient was admitted to hospital. After hospital
				admission, prednisolone 60 mg/day was administered (for 8
				days), and a transfusion (1 500 mL) was performed.

	14 days after discontinuation:
	In addition to drug eruption, the patient had symptoms such
	as laryngeal pain, bloating, and diarrhoea, but recovered
	considerably from them after treatment for approximately 1
	week. C-reactive protein (CRP) became normal, and renal
	function also improved. Because erythema remained,
	intravenous steroid was switched to oral corticosteroid 40
	mg instead of discontinuation.
	After that, the dose of oral steroid was tapered.
	26 days after discontinuation:
	The patient recovered from the symptoms and treatment
	with corticosteroid was discontinued.
	29 days after discontinuation:
	Due to seizure, phenobarbital 80 mg/day was prescribed.
	30 days after discontinuation:
	Due to skin eruption, administration of phenobarbital was
	discontinued.
	31 days after discontinuation:
	Carbamazepine 400 mg/day was prescribed. Skin eruption
	occurred again and administration of carbamazepine was
	discontinued.
The other suspected medications: carb	amazepine
-	olmesartan medoxomil, warfarin potassium, rosuvastatin
calcium, esomeprazole magnesium hy	1

		Day 1 of administration	Day 36 of administration (day of discontinuation)	6 days after discontinuation (day of admission)	9 days after discontinuation (day 3 of hospitalization)	28 days after discontinuation
AST	(IU/L)	29	66	37	50	15
ALT	(IU/L)	33	65	43	42	17
LDH	(IU/L)	194	371	473	450	279
γGT	(IU/L)		128	94	—	
BUN	(mg/dL)		—		18.5	18.7
Cr	(mg/dL)	0.93	1.02	2.23	0.90	1.55
CRP			_		1.06	_
Eosinophils	(/µL)				2 835	

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# Revision of Precautions (No. 255)

This section presents details of revisions to the Precautions section of package inserts and brand names of drugs that have been revised in accordance with the Notifications dated March 25, 2014 (excluding those presented in "2. Important Safety Information" of this Bulletin).

1		algesics, anti-inflammatory agents
	Ketoprofen	(injection, suppository)
Bran	d Name	Aneol Suppository 50, 75 (Iwaki Seiyaku Co., Ltd.), EPATEC Supp. 50, 75 (Biomedix. Co., Ltd.) and the others, CAPISTEN IM 50 mg (Kissei Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd.) and the others
Partu	in Pregnant, irient And ing Women	Pregnant women <u>(excluding the third trimester)</u> or women who may be pregnant should be administered this drug only if the potential benefits outweigh the risks. <u>A case of oligohydramnios has been reported after maternal use of topical</u> <u>ketoprofen during the second trimester. This drug should be used at the lowest</u> <u>effective dose for the shortest necessary duration.</u>

Antiparkinsonian agents

# Rotigotine

Psychotropics

Brand Name	Neupro patch 2.25 mg, 4.5 mg, 9 mg, 13.5 mg (Otsuka Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd.)
Adverse Reactions (clinically significant adverse reactions)	<b>Hepatic dysfunction</b> Hepatic dysfunction with elevations of aspartate aminotransferase (AST or glutamate oxaloacetate transaminase [GOT]), alanine aminotransferase (ALT or glutamate pyruvate transaminase [GPT]), A1-P, $\gamma$ -GTP, etc., may occur. In such cases, appropriate measures such as dose reduction, temporary or permanent discontinuation of administration should be taken.

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<sup>3</sup> Mirtazapine	•
Brand Name	REMERON Tablets 15 mg (MSD K.K.), REFLEX TABLETS 15 mg (Meiji Seika Pharma Co., Ltd.)
Careful Administration	Patients with or medical history of prolonged QT, patients treated with drugs that are known to cause prolonged QT, patients with marked bradycardia, or hypokalaemia, etc.
Adverse Reactions (clinically significant adverse reactions)	<b>Prolonged QT, ventricular tachycardia:</b> Prolonged QT or ventricular tachycardia may occur. Patients should be carefully monitored, and if any abnormalities are observed, administration of this drug should be discontinued, and appropriate measures should be taken.

Analgesics, anti-itchings, astringents, anti-inflammatory agents

# Ibuprofen Piconol

Brand Name	STADERM OINTMENT 5%, STADERM CREAM 5% (Torii Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd.), VESICUM Ointment 5%, VESICUM Cream 5% (Hisamitsu Pharmaceutical Co., Inc.)
Use in Pregnant, Parturient And Nursing Women	Cases of foetal ductus arteriosus systole have been reported after maternal use of the topical non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drug during the third trimester.

- Analgesics, anti-itchings, astringents, anti-inflammatory agents
  - (1) Indometacin (topical preparation)
  - (2) Diclofenac Sodium (topical preparation)
  - (3) Piroxicam (topical preparation)
  - (4) Flurbiprofen (topical preparation)
  - (5) Loxoprofen Sodium Hydrate (topical preparation)

Brand Name

- (1) ACONIP PAP 70 mg (Teika Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd.), IDOMETHINE KOWA PAP 70 mg, IDOMETHINE KOWA GEL 1%, IDOMETHINE KOWA SOL 1%, IDOMETHINE KOWA CREAM 1% (Kowa Company. Ltd.), INSIDE PAP 70 mg (Hisamitsu Pharmaceutical Co., Inc.), INTENURSE PAP 70 mg (Toko Pharmaceutical Industrial Co., Ltd.), Inteban Ointment 1%, Inteban Cream 1%, Inteban External Solution 1% (Dainippon Sumitomo Pharma Co., Ltd.), Catlep Tape 35 mg, 70 mg, Catlep Pap 70 mg (Teikoku Seiyaku Co., Ltd.), KORIFUMECIN PAP 70 mg (Towaseiyaku Co., Ltd.), ZEMPACK PAP 70 (Kyukyu Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd.), HAPSTAR-ID 70mg (Oishi Koseido Co., Ltd.), LACTION PAP 70 mg (Teika Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd.) and the others
- (2) Naboal Tape 15 mg, Naboal Tape L 30 mg, NABOAL PAP 70 mg, 140 mg, NABOAL GEL 1% (Hisamitsu Pharmaceutical Co., Inc.), Voltaren Tape 15 mg, 30 mg, Voltaren Gel 1%, Voltaren Lotion 1% (Dojin Iyaku Kako Co., Ltd.) and the others
- (3) BAXO Ointment 0.5% (Toyama Chemical Co., Ltd.), Feldene Ointment 0.5% (Pfizer Japan Inc.)
- (4) ADOFEED PAP 40 mg, 80 mg (Lead Chemical Co., Ltd.), STAYBAN PAP 40 mg (Tokuhon Corporation), ZEPOLAS TAPE 20 mg, 40 mg, ZEPOLAS PAP 40 mg, 80 mg (Mikasa Seiyaku Co., Ltd.), FULRUBAN PAP 40 mg (Taikyo Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd.), YAKUBAN TAPE 20 mg, 40 mg, 60 mg (Tokuhon Corporation) and the others
- (5) LOXONIN TAPE 50 mg, 100 mg, LOXONIN PAP 100 mg (Lead Chemical Co., Ltd.), LOXONIN GEL 1% (Daiichi Sankyo Company, Limited.) and the others

Use in Pregnant, Parturient And Nursing Women <u>Cases of foetal ductus arteriosus systole have been reported after maternal use of</u> the topical non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drug during the third trimester. 6

Analgesics, anti-itchings, astringents, anti-inflammatory agents

# Ketoprofen (cream, gel, lotion, poultice)

Brand Name	EPATEC GEL 3%, EPATEC LOTION 3%, EPATEC CREAM 3% (Zeria Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd.), SECTOR GEL 3%, SECTOR LOTION 3%, SECTOR CREAM 3% (Hisamitsu Pharmaceutical Co., Inc.), MILTAX PAP 30 mg (Nipro Patch Co., Ltd.), MOHRUS PAP 30 mg, 60 mg (Hisamitsu Pharmaceutical Co., Inc.) and the others
Contraindications	Pregnant women in the third trimester (See "Use in Pregnant, Parturient And Nursing Women")
Use in Pregnant, Parturient And Nursing Women	Foetal ductus arteriosus systole may occur when topical ketoprofen is used in pregnant women during the third trimester. This drug should not be administered in the third trimester of pregnancy. Safety of topical ketoprofen is not established in pregnant (excluding the third trimester), parturient and nursing women. This drug should be administered only if potential benefits outweigh the risks. A case of oligohydramnios has been reported aftermaternal use of topical ketoprofen during the second trimester. This drug should be used at the lowest effective dose for the shortest necessary duration.

#### Gout preparations

# Potassium Citrate/Sodium Citrate Hydrate

Brand Name	Uralyt Combination Tablet, Uralyt Combination Powder (Nippon Chemiphar Co., Ltd.) and the others
Careful Administration	Patients with impaired renal <u>function</u>
Important Precautions	Attention should be paid to changes in patient's serum electrolytes during treatment with this drug. In particular, when this drug is administered to patients with renal function impairment or when this drug is administered long-term, blood potassium level, renal function, etc., should be examined periodically. Also, if hyperkalaemia is observed, administration of this drug should be discontinued.
Adverse Reactions (clinically significant adverse reactions)	<b>Hyperkalaemia:</b> Hyperkalaemia may occur. Bradycardia, general malaise, feeling of weakness, etc., may occur associated with hyperkalaemia. Patients should be carefully monitored and if any abnormalities are observed, administration of this drug should be discontinued and appropriate measures should be taken.

Antineoplastics-Miscellaneous

# Nilotinib Hydrochloride Hydrate

#### **Brand Name**

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Tasigna Capsules 150 mg, 200 mg (Novartis Pharma K.K.)

Adverse Reactions	Cerebral infarction, transient ischaemic attack: Cerebral infarction or transient
(clinically significant	ischaemic attack may occur. Patients should be carefully monitored, and if any
adverse reactions)	abnormalities are observed, administration of this drug should be discontinued and
-	appropriate measures should be taken.

# List of Products Subject to Early Post-marketing Phase Vigilance

Early Post-marketing Phase Vigilance (EPPV) was established in 2001. This unique system for new drugs refers to any safety assurance activities that are conducted within a period of 6 months just after marketing of a new drug. It is imposed that its MAH is responsible for collecting the adverse drug reactions (ADRs) from all of the medical institutions where the drugs are used and taking safety measures. The aim of the EPPV is to promote the rational proper use of drugs in medical treatments, and to promptly take actions for prevention of the serious ADRs. EPPV is specified as a condition of approval.

Nonproprietary name		Name of the MAH	Date of EPPV initiate	
	Brand name on			
0	Tolvaptan	Otsuka Pharmaceutical Co.,	March 24, 2014	
	Samsca tablets 7.5 mg, 15 mg* <sup>1</sup>	Ltd.	Watch 24, 2014	
0	Fluticasone Furoate	GlaxoSmithKline K.K.	March 17, 2014	
	Allermist 27.5µg 56 metered Nasal Spray* <sup>2</sup>			
0	Pazopanib Hydrochloride	GlaxoSmithKline K.K.	March 17, 2014	
	Votrient Tablets 200 mg* <sup>3</sup>	GlaxoSinitiiKinie K.K.		
0	Mogamulizumab (Genetical Recombination)	Kyowa Hakko Kirin Co., Ltd.	March 17, 2014	
•	POTELIGEO Injection 20 mg*4	Kyowa Hakko Kiriii Co., Etd.		
	Cinacalcet Hydrochloride	Kuowa Hakka Kirin Co. I td	E.L. 01 0014	
	REGPARA TABLETS 25 mg, 75 mg* <sup>5</sup>	Kyowa Hakko Kirin Co., Ltd.	February 21, 2014	
	Ranibizumab (Genetical Recombination)	Novartis Pharma K.K.	February 21, 2014	
	LUCENTIS solution for intravitreal injection			
	2.3 mg/0.23 mL*6			
	pH-4 Treated Acid Normal Human		January 30, 2014	
	Immunoglobulin (Subcutaneous injection)	CSL Behring K.K.		
	Hizentra 20% S.C. Injection 1 g/5 mL, 2 g/10 mL, 4 g/20 mL	-		
	Ioflupane ( <sup>123</sup> I)	Nihon Medi-Physics Co., Ltd.	January 27, 2014	
	DaTSCAN Injectable			
	Talaporfin Sodium	Meiji Seika Pharma Co., Ltd.	January 20, 2014	
	LASERPHYRIN 100 mg FOR INJECTION*7			
	Meropenem Hydrate	Dainippon Sumitomo Pharma	December 20, 2013	
	(1) Meropen Vial for Intravenous Drip Infusion 0.25 g, 0.5 g			
	(2) Meropen Kit for Intravenous Drip Infusion 0.5 g <sup>*8</sup>	Co., Ltd.	·	
	Methylphenidate Hydrochloride	Janssen Pharmaceutical K.K.	December 20, 2013	
	Concerta Tablets 18 mg, 27 mg <sup>*9</sup>	Janssen Fnarmaceutical K.K.	December 20, 2015	
	Laninamivir Octanoate Hydrate	Daiichi Sankyo Company,	December 20, 2013	
	INAVIR DRY POWDER INHALER 20 mg*10	Limited		

#### (As of April 1, 2014) ©: Newly-posted products, or products changed from the last Bulletin

Janssen Pharmaceutical K.K.	December 20, 2013	
Kyowa Hakko Kirin Co., Ltd.	December 12, 2013	
GlaxoSmithKline K.K.	December 9, 2013	
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Nobelpharma Co., Ltd.	December 9, 2013	
Janssen Pharmaceutical K.K.	December 6, 2013	
Santen Pharmaceutical Co	November 25, 201	
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Terumo Corporation	November 25, 201	
Ono Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd.	November 22, 2013	
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Bayer Yakuhin, Ltd.		
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Kuowo Haliko Kirin Co. I td	November 22, 2013	
Kyowa Hakko Kirin Co., Ltd.		
Novartis Pharma K.K.	November 20, 2013	
		Dfizer Japan Inc
Filzei Japan Inc.	November 20, 201	
Kyorin Pharmaceutical Co.,	November 19, 201	
Ltd.		
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Alcon Japan Ltd.		
Janssen Pharmaceutical K.K.	November 19, 201	
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- \*1 An additional indication for "the control of disease progression in patients with autosomal dominant polycystic kidney who already had increased kidney volume and whose kidney volume was further rapidly increasing"
- \*2 An additional administration for "pediatrics"
- \*3 An additional indication for "the treatment of patients with radically unresectable or metastatic renal cell carcinoma"
- \*4 An additional indication for "the treatment of patients with relapsed or refractory CCR4-positive peripheral T-cell lymphoma and patients with relapsed or refractory CCR4-positive cutaneous T-cell lymphoma"
- \*5 An additional indication for "the treatment of hypercalcaemia in patients with the following diseases: parathyroid carcinoma, and primary hyperparathyroidism for which patients are unable to undergo parathyroidectomy or which relapses after operation"
- \*6 An additional indication for "the treatment of patients with diabetic macular oedema"
- \*7 An additional indication for "the treatment of patients with primary malignant brain tumour (only in patients who undergo tumourectomy)"
- \*8 An additional administration for "pyogenic meningitis"
- \*9 An additional administration for "patients aged 18 years or older"
- \*10 An additional indication for "the prophylaxis of influenza A or B virus infection"
- \*11 An additional indication for "the treatment of patients with the following symptoms cannot be managed by treatments with non-opioid analgesics and weak opioid analgesics (only in patients who switch from an opioid analgesic): moderate to severe chronic pain"
- \*12 An additional indication for "the treatment of tachyarrhythmia including atrial fibrillation and atrial flutter in patients with failed cardiac function"
- \*13 An additional indication for "the treatment of patients with macular oedema following central retinal vein occlusion"
- \*14 An additional administration for "pediatrics"
- \*15 An additional administration for "pediatrics"; EPPV was initiated in January 24, 2014 for NESP INJECTION 5  $\mu$ g PLASTIC SYRING

#### List of corrections in the PMDSI No.311

Page	10		
Original	Launched in Japan:	(2)	June 2008
Revised	Launched in Japan:	(2)	NAPAGELN OINTMENT 3%:
			June 2008 (The product with old brand name for this drug was
			launched in November 1986.)
			NAPAGELN CREAM 3%:
			June 2008 (The product with old brand name for this drug was
			launched in September 1999.)
			NAPAGELN LOTION 3%:
			June 2008 (The product with old brand name for this drug was
			launched in June 1990.)