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# **Revision of Precautions**

# **Favipiravir**

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## Non-proprietary name

Favipiravir

## Safety measure

Precautions should be revised in the package insert.

The language concerning neuropsychiatric symptoms including abnormal behaviour should be revised as follows in the Important Precautions section (revised language is underlined):

<u>Abnormal behaviour</u> has been reported <u>in patients infected with influenza, regardless of the use or non-use, or the type of influenza antiviral drug prescribed.</u>

Patients and/or their families must be made aware of the following precautionary points to avoid rare accidents including falls due to abnormal behaviour; (1) abnormal behaviour may occur and (2) caregivers should take preventive measures for accidents including falls for at least 2 days after patients develop pyrexia if they are treated at home.

Severe abnormal behaviour potentially leading to accidents such as falls is known to have been reported to occur with greater frequency in male school-age children/adolescents, and within 2 days after patients develop pyrexia.

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A Clinically Significant Adverse Reactions subsection should be newly added and the following language should be included in the Adverse Reaction section (revised language is underlined):

#### Abnormal behaviour:

Abnormal behaviour (such as sudden movement or wandering) that could result in falls etc.

may occur in patients infected with influenza, although the existence of a causal
relationship between these symptoms and this drug is currently unclear.

The following language should be deleted from the Clinically Significant Adverse Reactions (similar drug) section:

Abnormal behaviour