

# MEDICINES NOTIFICATION

## **CLASS 4 MEDICINES DEFECT INFORMATION**

# Caution in Use Distribute to Pharmacy/Wholesaler Level

Date: 24 June 2024 EL (24)A/24 Our Ref: MDR 024-05/23

Dear Healthcare Professional,

### PHARMATHEN S.A.

**Grepid 75 mg film coated tablets (Kent Pharma Livery)** 

PLGB 17277/0398

**SNOMED Code:** 15907411000001101

Batch Number	Expiry Date	Pack Size	First Distributed
1206250	07/2025	28	04/08/2022
1206284	07/2025	28	04/08/2022
1206285	07/2025	28	04/08/2022
1206235	07/2025	28	04/08/2022
1206212	07/2025	28	04/08/2022
1206234	07/2025	28	04/08/2022
1206041	07/2025	28	04/08/2022
1206149	07/2025	28	04/08/2022
1206152	07/2025	28	04/08/2022
1206211	07/2025	28	04/08/2022
1208037	09/2025	28	05/10/2022
1208038	09/2025	28	05/10/2022
1208123	09/2025	28	05/10/2022
1208323	09/2025	28	07/10/2022
1208373	09/2025	28	07/10/2022
1209215	09/2025	28	31/10/2022
1209244	10/2025	28	31/10/2022
1209245	10/2025	28	31/10/2022
1209246	10/2025	28	31/10/2022
1209260	09/2025	28	30/11/2022
1210099	10/2025	28	30/11/2022
1210103	10/2025	28	30/11/2022
1210104	10/2025	28	30/11/2022
1210105	10/2025	28	30/11/2022
1210106	10/2025	28	30/11/2022
1304752	04/2026	28	13/06/2023
1304753	05/2026	28	13/06/2023
1304862	05/2026	28	13/06/2023
1304895	05/2026	28	13/06/2023
1304920	05/2026	28	13/06/2023
1304943	05/2026	28	13/06/2023

Active Pharmaceutical Ingredient: Clopidogrel

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#### Brief description of the problem

PHARMATHEN S.A. has informed the MHRA that the outer carton (box) of some batches of Grepid 75mg film coated tablets is missing the medicines legal classification for a Prescription Only Medicine 'POM.' This only impacts the batches listed in this notification.

A previous notification for this issue was issued in 2023, which included 10 batches of Grepid. The further batches in this notification were identified following a more detailed review by PHARMATHEN S.A. of all previous batches. <a href="https://www.gov.uk/drug-device-alerts/class-4-medicines-notification-cipla-uk-limited-and-pharmathen-s-dot-a-various-products-el-23-a24">https://www.gov.uk/drug-device-alerts/class-4-medicines-notification-cipla-uk-limited-and-pharmathen-s-dot-a-various-products-el-23-a24</a>

PHARMATHEN S.A. has confirmed that all future manufactured batches will include 'POM' on the outer carton (box). There is no impact to the product quality or safety and due to considerations that clopidogrel is only available as a Prescription Only Medicine, these batches are not being recalled.

#### Advice for healthcare professionals

Healthcare professionals are advised to exercise caution when handling the listed products and ensure that they are stored accordingly and in line with the guidance for the storage of Prescription Only Medicines (POM). Additionally, healthcare professionals are reminded to only dispense these products when the pharmacy team receives a suitable prescription prescribed by a qualified health professional.

#### **Advice for patients**

This issue is about missing information on the outer carton (box). The medicine itself is not affected and therefore patients do not need to take any action.

This product will have been prescribed and dispensed by the qualified healthcare professional(s) responsible for your care. If you have any concerns, please speak with your pharmacy team in the first instance. If you have concerns about a medicine you may be using, please contact your healthcare professional.

Patients who experience adverse reactions or have any questions about their medication should seek medical attention. Any suspected adverse reactions should also be reported via the MHRA <u>Yellow Card</u> scheme.

#### **Further Information**

For more information, medical or supply enquiries, please contact telephone: +30 210 6604300 or via email: <a href="mailto:pharmacovigilance@pharmathen.com">pharmacovigilance@pharmathen.com</a> & <a href="mailto:info@pharmathen.com">info@pharmathen.com</a> & <a href="mailto:info@ph

Recipients of this Medicines Notification should bring it to the attention of relevant contacts by copy of this notice. NHS regional teams are asked to forward this to community pharmacists and dispensing general practitioners for information.

Yours faithfully

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