

HMA WGEO – Rapid Alert Form
Counterfeit or illegal product found in the illegal supply chain

Reference:		
Date: 05.07.2018	Time: 17:00	Initials: DS
Please complete sections 1 to 5 providing as much information as possible.		
1. REPORTING PERSON		
Name:	Position:	
Organisation:		
Address:		
Telephone No:	Ext.:	
e-mail address: s		
2. PRODUCT DETAILS		
Product name: Arthro-ACE Specific Formula		
Manufacturer: Hong Kong Agent by: Good Harvests (Asia) Trading Co., Ltd.; no address indicated; According to the labelling of the outer packaging: "Distributed by Germany Natural Pharmacopoeia Co."; no address indicated, site unknown.		
Supplier: apparently a private person in Niles, Illinois, USA		
Legal status: Banned <input type="checkbox"/> Counterfeit <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unlicensed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stolen <input type="checkbox"/>		
Dosage form: Capsules		
Strength: [11,65mg Indometacin/Capsule – not indicated]		
Batch / lot no: OND16J Is batch number genuine: Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		
If yes to the above, advise batch destination country:		
Expiry date: 31/12/2021		
Language of packaging: English, Chinese		
Date of discovery: 22/06/2018		
Details of discovery: On the occasion of customs check 3 packages Arthro ACE Specific Formula (60 Capsules each) was found addressed to a private customer in Germany. According to the labelling the product contains natural herbals but no chemicals. In fact it was found also to contain Indometacin. This API is not mentioned on the label.		
Analysed: YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>		

If yes, result of analysis: The analysis showed an average content of 11,65 mg Indometacin/capsule. In 2009 Health Canada released a public warning concerning a product with an equivalent product name and a similar design of the outer packaging where Dexamethasone was detected (<http://healthycanadians.gc.ca/recall-alert-rappel-avis/hc-sc/2009/13316a-eng.php>). In the product described in the present notification no glucocorticoid such as dexamethasone could be identified, but instead indometacin was detected. According to the labelling a dosage of 6 capsules/day is recommended resulting in an uptake of about 70mg/day.

3. DISTRIBUTION METHOD	
Internet: YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> / NO <input type="checkbox"/>	Non internet, advise full details:
Internet:	
URL:	
Website address:	
Other details:	
Currency of payment:	
Has product reached patients/consumers? Unknown	
4. RISK TO PUBLIC HEALTH	
Adverse reactions: YES <input type="checkbox"/> / NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (not observed, but possible)	
If yes, please advise details:	
Medical assessment details:	
5. NEED FOR PUBLICITY	
Are you making a public statement? YES <input type="checkbox"/> / NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Are you issuing a press release? YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> / NO <input type="checkbox"/>	
Are you recalling product? YES <input type="checkbox"/> / NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
If yes to any of the above, when do you intend to take action?	
6. DISSEMINATION	
Are you content for this Rapid Alert to be shared outside WGEO membership? YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> / NO <input type="checkbox"/> (please see below)	
If yes, please specify which of the below you are content for this to be shared with (you may tick more than 1 box)	
Law Enforcement <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Industry Security <input type="checkbox"/> Trade Associations <input type="checkbox"/>	
Traders <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Please specify _____	
7. PHOTOGRAPH	
If possible, please attach a photograph of the product. See attachment	



ARTHRO-ACE

滅濕痛

Each capsule contains:

Homalomena Occulta	50mg
Lycopodium Clavatum	50mg
Calami	50mg
Tinospora Sinensis	100mg
Moghania Philippinensis	100mg
Rosabella Laevigata	100mg
Ardisia Gigantifolia Stapf	100mg
Speranskia Tuberculata	150mg
Siegesbeckia Pubescens	150mg
Cortex Cinnamomi	200mg

用法用量：

每日三次，每次二粒，用溫開水吞服，或
遵醫囑，15天為一療程。
(詳見兒盒內說明書)

貯 藏：

置密閉，避光貯存處，遠離兒童。

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