

Major - Recall of losartan

- On April 26, 2019, <u>Major announced</u> a voluntary recall of <u>losartan</u> tablets due to the detection of trace amounts of an unexpected impurity, N-Methylnitrosobutyric acid (NMBA) found in the active pharmaceutical ingredient manufactured by Hetero Labs Limited.
- This recall was prompted due to Torrent issuing a voluntary nationwide recall of losartan tablets due to the detection of NMBA. NMBA is a potential human carcinogen.
 - Refer to the <u>FDA site</u> for updates regarding angiotensin II receptor blocker recalls.
- The recall includes the products listed below:

Product Description	NDC#	Lot# (Expiration Date)
Losartan 25 mg tablets	0904-6391-61	R-00473 (7/2019)
Losartan 50 mg tablets	0904-6390-61	R-00498 (8/2019); R-00568 (10/2019)
Losartan 100 mg tablets	0904-6389-61	R00759D (6/2020)

- Losartan tablets are used for the treatment of hypertension (HTN) and to reduce the risk of stroke in
 patients with HTN and left ventricular hypertrophy. Losartan tablets are also used for the treatment
 of diabetic nephropathy with an elevated serum creatinine and proteinuria (urinary albumin to
 creatinine ratio ≥ 300 mg/g) in patients with type 2 diabetes and a history of HTN.
- Patients should contact their pharmacist or physician who can advise them about an alternative
 treatment prior to returning their medication. Patients who are on losartan should continue taking
 their medication, as the risk of harm to a patient's health may be higher if the treatment is stopped
 immediately without any alternative treatment.
- Patients should contact their healthcare provider if they have experienced any problems that may be related to using the recalled losartan.
- Anyone with an existing inventory of the recalled product should stop use and distribution, and quarantine the product immediately.
- For more information regarding this recall, contact Torrent at 1-800-912-9561 or Major at 1-800-616-2471.



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