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**HEALTH SCIENCES AUTHORITY**  
**PRESS RELEASE**

## **HSA UPDATES ON AUSTRALIA'S RECALL OF VITAMINS, MINERALS AND HERBAL PRODUCTS, 3 MAY 03**

As at 3 May 03, the Health Sciences Authority [HSA] announces that there are:

- (a) 3 additional brand/company names in Singapore that do NOT carry products manufactured by Pan Pharmaceutical Limited of Sydney, Australia and can be categorized as "all clear";
- (b) 3 brand/company names identified by the Therapeutic Goods Administration [TGA], HSA's regulatory counterpart in Australia, as carrying products by Pan Pharmaceuticals, but which are NOT available locally; and
- (c) another 71 products available locally that were manufactured by Pan Pharmaceuticals and are added to the recall list.

### **"ALL-CLEAR" LIST: BRANDS WITH PRODUCTS NOT MANUFACTURED BY PAN PHARMACEUTICALS**

2 HSA gives its "all-clear" today to the following brand names that are marketed in Singapore:

1. Duopharma (M) Sdn Bhd
2. Enervite Export Pty Ltd
3. Enervite USA

3 These 3 brand names join the 4 brands listed earlier on 29 April 03<sup>#</sup>, that are confirmed to be in the "all-clear" category. All products marketed under these 7 brands are not manufactured by Pan Pharmaceuticals. The vitamins, minerals and herbal products of these brand names will not be recalled and their sale in the Singapore market can continue.

*# The "all-clear" list released on 29 April 03 comprised Nature's Way, Roche Pharmaceuticals, Watsons and Watson's The Chemist Ltd. The complete list of "all clear" companies to date is shown in Annex A.*

## **BRANDS/COMPANIES NOT IN SINGAPORE**

4 The following health product brands/companies, identified by TGA and listed in HSA's initial alert on 28 April 03, are not available in Singapore as the companies are not registered here:

1. Seito Ocean Products Pty Limited
2. Thompson Nutrition Limited
3. Young & Success Enterprise Co Ltd

5 While HSA continues to check the market, members of the public are encouraged to report to HSA should they find these brands which are made by Pan Pharmaceuticals, and which may have been brought into Singapore through channels other than local distributors or trading companies. Members of the public can call Tel: 6325.5117 to report such information so that HSA can take quick and appropriate action.

## **RECALL OF PRODUCTS MANUFACTURED BY PAN PHARMACEUTICALS**

6 Today, an additional 71 products are being added to the recall list. This is in addition to the list of 158 affected products released earlier. Since the news of the suspension of Pan Pharmaceuticals' manufacturing licence broke on 28 April 03 till today, a total of 229 products are under recall in Singapore.

7 Today's recall list comprises products that can be found under 12 brand names, namely:

1. Bioscience\*
2. Foodsource\*
3. Nature's Farm\*
4. Nutrition Care\*
5. Nature's Own\*
6. MediFoods\*
7. Royal Essence\*
8. Happy Kidz\*
9. Naturapathica\*
10. Kordel's (updated list of recall products)
11. Nutralife (updated list of recall products)
12. Vitahealth (updated list of recall products)

\* *These are newly added brand names not included in HSA press release dated 28 April 03.*

8 The detailed list of products being recalled today is found in Annex B. The earlier list of recalled products issued previously is shown in Annex C for consumers' easy reference.

*[ All media are encouraged to publicize that concerned consumers can access the HSA website for the press releases that provide details of all the products recalled to date at: **[www.hsa.gov.sg](http://www.hsa.gov.sg)** ]*

9 HSA has initiated the recall of the affected products from their distributors and continues to carry out inspections of the retail outlets to ensure that all the affected products are removed from their shelves. Consumers are advised not to purchase any of the products identified in the lists that HSA has released.

10 As additional information is received from TGA and local distributors/suppliers, HSA will continue investigations and follow-up recalls to ensure that products manufactured by Pan Pharmaceuticals are removed from the Singapore market. As further information becomes available or additional products are identified for recall, HSA will update the public, via its website [www.hsa.gov.sg](http://www.hsa.gov.sg) and the media.

### **CONSUMERS' ADVISORY**

11 While the recall is in progress, consumers who may wish to purchase new health supplement products are advised to verify the source of manufacture of products they wish to buy with their retailers or pharmacists.

12 If consumers have any of the listed recalled products at home, they are reminded to stop taking them.

13 There is no cause for undue alarm on this recall. Through its regulatory counterpart in Australia, HSA has been informed that there was no evidence of intentional adulteration of Pan Pharmaceuticals' products with potent western drugs that can cause serious side effects.

14 Anyone who is concerned in any way about the use of these products or availability of alternative products should consult their doctors or pharmacists.

15 Members of the public may call the following HSA hotlines or email us for any further queries:

**Tel: 6325.5424 / 6325.5498** ] Mon – Fri : 8:30am to 5:30pm

**Tel: 6325.2432 / 6325.5604** ] Sat : 8:30am – 1pm

**Email: [hsa\\_info@hsa.gov.sg](mailto:hsa_info@hsa.gov.sg)**

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**ANNEX A**

**“ALL-CLEAR” LIST  
BRANDS WITH PRODUCTS NOT MANUFACTURED BY PAN  
PHARMACEUTICALS**

**Compiled up till and as released on 3 May 03**

(Information as confirmed by principal dealers or from investigation)

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1. Duopharma (M) Sdn Bhd
2. Enervite Export Pty Ltd
3. Enervite USA
4. Nature's Way *(as released on 29 April 03)*
5. Roche Pharmaceuticals *(as released on 29 April 03)*
6. Watsons *(as released on 29 April 03)*
7. Watson's The Chemist Ltd *(as released on 29 April 03)*

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## ANNEX B

### LIST OF SINGAPORE MARKETED PRODUCTS MANUFACTURED BY PAN PHARMACEUTICALS LIMITED OF SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA

**Arranged By Brand Name**

**As released on 3 May 03**

(Information as confirmed by the principal dealers)

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**NB: Only products manufactured by Pan Pharmaceuticals are affected. These brands have other products not manufactured by Pan Pharmaceuticals and which are not being recalled.**

1. Bioscience
2. Foodsource
3. Nature's Farm
4. Nutrition Care
5. Nature's Own
6. MediFoods
7. Royal Essence
8. Happy Kidz
9. Naturapathica
10. Nutralife (*updates on products not previously listed in 30 April 03 press release*)
11. Kordel's (*updates on products not previously listed in 30 April 03 press release*)
12. Vitahealth (*updates on products not previously listed in 30 April 03 press release*)

*Note: To see next page for the list of recalled products of the above local brand names / companies*

## ANNEX B-1

- The following list consists of products, which are manufactured by Pan Pharmaceuticals Limited of Sydney, Australia.
- The batches manufactured from 1 May 02 are recalled.
- Products not labeled with manufacturing date will be subject to recall for verification and labeling.

### **List of "BIOSCIENCE" products manufactured by Pan Pharmaceuticals**

1. Bioscience Buffered C
2. Bioscience Hair Protector
3. Bioscience Iron + C
4. Bioscience Salmon Oil

### **List of "FOODSOURCE" products manufactured by Pan Pharmaceuticals**

1. Foodsource B100 Complex
2. Foodsource B50 Complex
3. Foodsource Buffered C1000
4. Foodsource Buffered C500
5. Foodsource Flaxseed Oil 1000mg
6. Foodsource Multi for Children

### **List of "NATURE'S FARM" products manufactured by Pan Pharmaceuticals**

1. Nature's Farm B100 Complex
2. Nature's Farm B50 Complex
3. Nature's Farm Buffered C1000
4. Nature's Farm Buffered C500
5. Nature's Farm Flaxseed Oil
6. Nature's Farm Healthy Children
7. Nature's Farm Salmon Oil

### **List of "NUTRITION CARE" products manufactured by Pan Pharmaceuticals**

1. Nutrition Care Bepep
2. Nutrition Care C-plus tablets
3. Nutrition Care Echinatol
4. Nutrition Care Inflammastat
5. Nutrition Care Magnesium Plus
6. Nutrition Care Natural Fertility Management Formula O
7. Nutrition Care Omega 3:6:9
8. Nutrition Care Osteopatite with Boron
9. Nutrition Care Zinc Plus
10. Nutrition Care Zynapsin

## ANNEX B-2

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### **List of "NATURE'S OWN" products manufactured by Pan Pharmaceuticals**

1. Nature's Own EPO 1000mg
2. Nature's Own B Complex Forte
3. Nature's Own C Complex 500mg
4. Nature's Own Digestive Enzyme
5. Nature's Own Papaya Enzymes

### **List of "MEDIFOODS" products manufactured by Pan Pharmaceuticals**

1. MediFoods Biogreen powder

### **List of "ROYAL ESSENCE" products manufactured by Pan Pharmaceuticals**

1. Royal Essence Bee Propolis 650mg

### **List of "HAPPY KIDZ" products manufactured by Pan Pharmaceuticals**

1. Happy Kidz Multi Vits & Mineral

### **List of "NATURAPATHICA" products manufactured by Pan Pharmaceuticals**

1. Arthrototal
2. FatBlaster
3. Horny Goat weed
4. Joint-e-Licious
5. MenoEze
6. Natural Deep Sleep
7. PMS Less
8. Stress Less

## ANNEX B-3

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### **List of additional “NUTRALIFE” products that are manufactured by Pan Pharmaceuticals (Not previously listed)**

1. Nutralife Carnitine + Chromium
2. Nutralife Gingko 7500 Plus
3. Nutralife Maxi Muscle Builder
4. Nutralife Super Fat Burner

### **List of additional “KORDEL’S” products that are manufactured by Pan Pharmaceuticals (Not previously listed)**

1. Kordel’s Slim ‘N Trim

### **List of additional “VITAHEALTH” products that are manufactured by Pan Pharmaceuticals (Not previously listed)**

1. Apivita Appetite Tonic
2. Arthrozan Glucosamine 1,000mg
3. C-Vita 250mg
4. C-Vita 500mg
5. C-Vita 1,000mg
6. CalMag
7. Echinacea 500mg
8. Eyebright Plus
9. Feverfew Plus
10. Femiderm
11. Ginkgo Forte
12. Ginkgoton
13. Horseradish Plus
14. Livogard Max
15. Mango C
16. Robovites Appetite Booster
17. Somnaton 5mg
18. Super Brahmi
19. Super Skin Amino Collagen
20. Vita Natal
21. Vita Zinc Plus
22. Vitacal 250mg
23. Vitacal 600mg



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## ANNEX C

### LIST OF SINGAPORE MARKETED PRODUCTS MANUFACTURED BY PAN PHARMACEUTICALS LIMITED OF SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA

#### Arranged By Brand Name

Compiled up to 1 May 03 and as released in past announcements  
– included in today's press release for consumers' easy reference

(Information as confirmed by the principal dealers)

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1. Natural Nutrition (Cosway (M) Pte Ltd)
2. Nn (Cosway (M) Pte Ltd)
3. New Image International (Singapore)
4. Herbvalley
5. 21<sup>st</sup> Century
6. Kordel's
7. Vitahealth
8. Nutralife
9. Oceanhealth
10. Nuvanta

*Note: To see next page for the list of recalled products of the above local brand names / companies*

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### **List of "NATURAL NUTRITION (COSWAY (M) PTE LTD)" products manufactured by Pan Pharmaceuticals**

1. Natural Nutrition Omegar+ (Cosway (M) Pte Ltd)
2. Natural Nutrition Remem (Cosway (M) Pte Ltd)
3. Natural Nutrition Garli-T (Cosway (M) Pte Ltd)
4. Natural Nutrition Evening Primrose 1000 (Cosway (M) Pte Ltd)
5. Natural Nutrition Evening Primrose 500 (Cosway (M) Pte Ltd)
6. Natural Nutrition Starflower Oil (Cosway (M) Pte Ltd)
7. Natural Nutrition Top Ade (Cosway (M) Pte Ltd)

### **List of "Nn (COSWAY (M) PTE LTD)" products manufactured by Pan Pharmaceuticals**

1. Nn Wate-On (Cosway (M) Pte Ltd)
2. Nn Chewable C-500 (Cosway (M) Pte Ltd)
3. Nn Non-Acidic C Plus (Cosway (M) Pte Ltd)
4. Nn Calcium Plus (Cosway (M) Pte Ltd)
5. Nn Iron Plus (Cosway (M) Pte Ltd)
6. Nn Fruit Juice Complex (Cosway (M) Pte Ltd)
7. Nn Vegetable Juice Complex (Cosway (M) Pte Ltd)
8. Nn Fruit & Vegetable Chewables (Cosway (M) Pte Ltd)

### **List of "NEW IMAGE INTERNATIONAL (SINGAPORE)" products manufactured by Pan Pharmaceuticals**

1. New Image RDA Multivitamin and Mineral Tablet
2. New Image King C
3. New Image Circulytes Tablets

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### List of "HERBVALLEY" products manufactured by Pan Pharmaceuticals

1. Herbvalley B COMP SUPERCHARGED TABS
2. Herbvalley Chromium Picolinate 400mcg
3. Herbvalley C COMPLEX TABLETS
4. Herbvalley C500mg Lem.Lim. U/S Tab
5. Herbvalley C500 Lem/Lim Flav U/S
6. Herbvalley C1000mg Lem.Lim. U/S Tab
7. Herbvalley C Orange 500mg Tabs
8. Herbvalley C 500mg Orange Chew Tabs
9. Herbvalley Cod Liver Oil Caps 275mg
10. Herbvalley Cranberry 10,000mg Caps
11. Herbvalley E Nat 500IU W/Free Caps
12. Herbvalley Colon Calm Caps
13. Herbvalley Pregnavite Tabs
14. Herbvalley Arthri-Relief Tabs
15. Herbvalley Arthri-Relief 1500mg
16. Herbvalley Bilberry 3000 Tabs
17. Herbvalley E Nat 500IU W/Free Caps
18. Herbvalley Echinacea 1000mg Tabs
19. Herbvalley Echinacea Super1000mgAce/Z
20. Herbvalley EPO Caps 1000mg
21. Herbvalley EPO 1000mg Caps
22. Herbvalley Evening P/rose Caps 1000mg
23. Herbvalley Ginkgo Biloba 500mg Tabs
24. Herbvalley Ginkgo Biloba 2000 Tabs
25. Herbvalley Hair & Nail Formula Tabs
26. Herbvalley Horserad. Garlic HerbC Tab
27. Herbvalley Horserad. Garlic Herb&C
28. Herbvalley Horserad. 1000.G.Comp+HIST
29. Herbvalley Iron Organic Complex Tabs
30. Herbvalley Super Multi Vit Min Tabs
31. Herbvalley Super Multi Vit Tabs
32. Herbvalley Omega-3 Fish Oil 1000mg Caps
33. Herbvalley Slippery Elm 500mg Tabs
34. Herbvalley Valerian 1000mg Caps
35. Herbvalley Zinc Chelated 220mg Tabs

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### List of "21st CENTURY" products manufactured by Pan Pharmaceuticals

1. Vitamin C 250mg Orange Chewable
2. Vitamin C 500mg Orange Chewable
3. Vitamin C 1000mg Orange Chewable
4. Vitamin C 500mg T/R
5. Vitamin C 1000mg T/R
6. Children's Vitamin C 100mg
7. Children's Vitamins
8. Acid Free C 1000
9. Anti-Acne
10. Vitamin E 400iu
11. Vitamin E 500iu
12. Appetite Increaser
13. Fat Burners
14. Super Fat Burners
15. Tummy Trimmer
16. Selenium N ACE
17. Chelavite
18. One-A-Day
19. Lecithin Omega
20. Omega 3
21. Muscle Builders
22. Senior Men
23. Senior Women
24. Women's Multivite with EPO
25. Bee Pollen T/R
26. IQ Plus Memory
27. Potent Garlic 20,000mg
28. Sinus & Catarrh
29. Evening Primrose Oil 500mg
30. Evening Primrose Oil 1000mg
31. Hair Skin & Nails
32. Junior Momorax

## ANNEX C-4

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### List of "KORDEL'S" products manufactured by Pan Pharmaceuticals

1. Kordel Women's Multi
2. Kordel's Acid Free C 1000mg
3. Kordel's B Complex + C
4. Kordel's Calcium Plus
5. Kordel's Celery 3000
6. Kordel's Child Immune
7. Kordel's Children's C 100mg
8. Kordel's Children's Multi
9. Kordel's Evening Primrose Oil 1000mg
10. Kordel's Evening Primrose Oil 1000mg + Vit E 200IU
11. Kordel's Evening Primrose Oil 500mg
12. Kordel's Eyebright
13. Kordel's Ginkgo 7500mg Plus
14. Kordel's Hair (& Skin Nutrition)
15. Kordel's Herbal Anti-acne
16. Kordel's Men's Multi
17. Kordel's Mobileaze
18. Kordel's Natural Vitamin E 200IU
19. Kordel's Natural Vitamin E 400IU
20. Kordel's Phyto-Femme
21. Kordel's Prostaguard
22. Kordel's Senior Time
23. Kordel's Straight A's
24. Kordel's Super Antioxidant Sus. Rel.
25. Kordel's Super Garlic 20,000mg
26. Kordel's Tuna oil 1000mg
27. Kordel's Zest for Men

## ANNEX C-5

- The following list consists of products, which are manufactured by Pan Pharmaceuticals Limited of Sydney, Australia.
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- Products not labeled with manufacturing date will be subject to recall for verification and labeling.

### List of "VITAHEALTH" products manufactured by Pan Pharmaceuticals

1. Lingzi Forte
2. Blackcurrant C 250mg
3. Blood & Skin Cleanser
4. C Vita Non Acidic 1000mg
5. Calmag + Zinc
6. Celery Plus
7. Cod Liver Oil Cap
8. Cod Liver Oil Softgel
9. Evening Primrose Oil 1000mg
10. Evening Primrose Oil 600mg
11. Fibreplus
12. Fruitimins
13. Ginkgo 2000mg
14. Grapefruit Diet Plus
15. Lipogard (Phillippine)
16. Orange C 100mg
17. Orange C 250mg
18. Orange C 500mg
19. Phyto-Organics-Vegetable Blend
20. Promaxin
21. Robovites Chewable Multivitamins (Asst Flavours / Orange / Blackcurrant / Strawberry)
22. Robovites Blackcurrant
23. Robovites Kids' C
24. Royal Jelly 1000mg
25. Selenium Vitaplus
26. Shark Cartilage
27. Squalene 500mg
28. TRN Mega B Complex with C
29. TRN Mega C-Vita 1500mg
30. Vita Oat Bran 500 Tablet
31. Vita Primolin Total Woman Tablet
32. Vita Total Man
33. Vitacal 250mg + D
34. Vitaron

## ANNEX C-6

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### **List of "NUTRALIFE" products manufactured by Pan Pharmaceuticals**

1. Nutralife Glucosamine 1000 Plus
2. Nutralife Herbal X
3. Nutralife Nutravision
4. Nutralife Oliviral
5. Nutralife Thermo-Trim
6. Nutralife Tribulus Complex
7. Nutralife Weight Gain

### **List of " OCEANHEALTH " products manufactured by Pan Pharmaceuticals**

1. Ocean Health Vitamin C 500mg Chewable
2. Ocean Health Memore for Children
3. Ocean Health Nutrition for Eyes
4. Ocean Health EPC 1000mg Softgel

### **List of "NUVANTA" products manufactured by Pan Pharmaceuticals**

1. Nuvanta Pycnogenol 50mg