

# HSA updates on products found overseas that contain potent ingredients (December 2024)

The Health Sciences Authority (HSA) would like to update the public on products that have been found and reported by overseas regulators in December 2024 to contain potent ingredients which are not allowed in these products and may cause side effects. This information is provided to increase awareness on safety issues of such products found overseas, which may impact the local population. Please refer to Annex A and Annex B for the list of products and the possible side effects of the potent ingredients.

# **HSA's Advisory**

- 2 Members of the public are advised to:
  - Consult a doctor if you have consumed any of the products and are feeling unwell.
  - Avoid buying any of the products when abroad.
  - Exercise caution when purchasing health products online or from sources (either local or overseas) which you may not be familiar with, even if well-meaning friends or relatives have recommended them. You cannot be certain where and how these products were made. They may be illegal, counterfeit or substandard, and may contain potent ingredients which can harm your health. If buying health products online, we encourage you to buy them from websites with an established retail presence in Singapore.
  - Be wary of products that promise quick and miraculous results or carry exaggerated claims like "100% safe", "no side effects" or "scientifically proven". Consumers should also be cautious of products that produce unexpected quick recovery of medical conditions.
  - Consult your doctor or pharmacist if you need help for the management of your acute and chronic medical symptoms and conditions (e.g. diabetes, hypertension, eczema).
- 3 Additionally, members of the public are encouraged to visit <a href="https://www.hsa.gov.sg/consumer-safety/">https://www.hsa.gov.sg/consumer-safety/</a> to learn more about the dangers of buying health products from dubious sources.
- 4 Members of the public who come across the sale and supply of these products in Singapore may contact HSA's Enforcement Branch at Tel: 6866 3485 during office hours (Monday to Friday) or email: hsa\_is@hsa.gov.sg.

# Annex A

# **List of Products**

Note: There may be different versions or variants of the products listed below. You are advised to consult your doctor or pharmacist if you are unsure of any health product you intend to use, or if you need help for your acute and chronic medical symptoms and conditions

Name of product	Picture of product	Potent ingredient(s)	Source (Regulatory Agency)
7K	Incrementation of INTERNATIONAL STATE OF THE	Sildenafil and Tadalafil (PDE-5 inhibitors)	Health Canada
Alien 2 Power Platinum 11000	Ready to Get the Power of Alien  SIZE  STANTINA  HEADACHE	Sildenafil and Tadalafil (PDE-5 inhibitors)	Health Canada

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Alien Power Platinum 11000	Platinum LIGOD  Room Room Room Room Room Room Room Ro	Tadalafil (PDE-5 inhibitor)	Health Canada
Bang Maximum Power	TIME LAST'S SIZE STAMINA ACTION  THE ULTIMATE PLEASURE Authentic	Sildenafil (PDE-5 inhibitor)	Health Canada
Black Bull 10000K	BLACK BULL	Paracetamol and Sildenafil (PDE-5 inhibitor)	Health Canada

Name of product	Picture of product	Potent ingredient(s)	Source (Regulatory Agency)
Blue Rhino 1000K	ENERGIES Upto 7 Days	Sildenafil (PDE-5 inhibitor) and Mitragynine	Health Canada
Blue Rhino 5000K		Sildenafil (PDE-5 inhibitor)	Health Canada
Blue Rhino 20000K Trio	ELUERHINO 2000UK  POCUS  WORKWITH ALCOHOL NEW FORMULA	Sildenafil (PDE-5 inhibitor)	Health Canada

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Dynamint X Tablets	ALEXY FORMULA! * 1865. MATRICAL  PORTIONS.  Organization of the Control of the Co	Tadalafil (PDE-5 inhibitor)	Australia Therapeutic Goods Administration
Force Forever	FORES FORES Huesos y articulaciones supremento Justicant. Neto: 60 Tabletas de La minima de la marcha de la marcha de la minima de la marcha della marcha della marcha de la marcha de la marcha de la marcha della m	Diclofenac and Dexamethasone	US Food and Drug Administration
Fouzee SugarLin Herbal Formula	Primores Healthy Energy Levels  I Primores Healthy Rodilly Function  Frimores Healthy Weight Management  Primores Healthy Weight Management  Sol Civitary Supplement 180 Veg Capitals	Glyburide and Metformin	US Food and Drug Administration

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Gold Max Blue capsules	Food Supplement 20% GOLD MAX BUUE For mon of all ages 30 Carestin 600m	Tadalafil (PDE-5 inhibitor)	Australia Therapeutic Goods Administration
Gold Rhino Extreme 1000K	COLDECTINO SUPERLONGLASTING SIZE STAMINA FOCUS GERBILLIO TURY	Tadalafil (PDE-5 inhibitor)	Health Canada
Ginseng Red 2000	SINSESS  2000  SINSESS  ALE NATURAL HERBS  EONE LASTINE ERECTIONS  80 WERFUL STAMINA  ADMIZING SEXUAL STAMINA AND PERFORMANCE  1 Capsule - 7 days	Sildenafil (PDE-5 inhibitor)	Health Canada
Hi-rize	Original Formula  Herbal Dietary Supplement 10 Capsules	Nortadalafil (PDE-5 inhibitor)	Health Canada

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Jet Blue 998111	Original Policy Optimized 998131 Power  Seventille and optimized 998131 Power  Additional contractal products.	Sildenafil and Tadalafil (PDE-5 inhibitors)	Health Canada
Kangaroo	EASY OF A WOMAN Better Vaginal Lubrication Lasts 72 Hours Intense Orgasms	Sildenafil (PDE-5 inhibitor)	Health Canada
Kangaroo Female Booster	ROOS FOUNDAMENT OF THE PROPERTY OF THE PROPERT	Sildenafil (PDE-5 inhibitor)	Health Canada

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Kangaroo Violet	KANGAROO VIOLET VIOLET IN WOMAN IN YOU!	Sildenafil (PDE-5 inhibitor)	Health Canada
Lucky Guy 750K		Paracetamol, Sildenafil and Tadalafil (PDE-5 inhibitors)	Health Canada
Lucky Guy Platinum 18000	TRIPLE MAXIMUM POWER  18000 SUPER  FIRTIDUM  TIME SIZE STAMINA  FAST E LONG LASTING  NO HEADACHE	Tadalafil (PDE-5 inhibitor)	United States Food and Drug Administration

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Magnum XXL 9800 (black capsules)	PROBLEM SON TO ANS TOUS NOTICE AND	Sildenafil (PDE-5 inhibitor)	Health Canada
Magnum XXL 1000K	MAGNUM MAL SEXAL PERMODENT  MARKETON  MALE SEXAL PERMODENT  MARKETON  MARKET	Sildenafil (PDE-5 inhibitor)	Health Canada
Magnum XXL 20000K Trio	MAGNUM MALE SEXUAL ENHANCEMENT XXI.  FAIR A TIME PARAMENT  TIME SIZE STAMINA	Levofloxacin (Fluoroquinolone) , Sildenafil (PDE- 5 inhibitor), Sibutramine and Phenolphthalein	Health Canada
Magnum XXL 500K	Prostate Improvement Increases SV of Introduces Increases SV and IVI of INTERES INCREASES AND INTERES INCREASE INTERES INC	Levodopa and Prasterone	Health Canada

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Makari De Suisse Active Intense Unify & Illuminate Dark Spot Corrector Serum	MAKAR Exclusive Active Intense Unity & Muminatio Davis Spot Corrector Serum Mit Unique Stored Employed Employe	Clobetasol	United Kingdom Medicines and Healthcare Regulatory Agency
Maxman tablets	FREQUENT ERECTION APPARENT INCREASE OF DURATION LONGER AND THICKER  美国强效阴茎增长片  safe use of the product for patients of high blood pressure or cardiac disease or after drinking 公共中国大场销售	Sildenafil (PDE-5 Inhibitor)	Australia Therapeutic Goods Administration
Natural MiracleZEN Platinum 70000	MALIER	Sildenafil and Tadalafil (PDE-5 inhibitors)	United States Food and Drug Administration

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Nhan Sam Tuyet Lien Truy Phong Hoan Capsules	THACK MAN.  A MAN TO THE PROPERTY OF THE PROPE	Furosemide, Dexamethasone and Chlorpheniramine	United States Food and Drug Administration
Perfect PremierZEN Gold 19000	FIGURES	Sildenafil and Tadalafil (PDE-5 inhibitors)	Health Canada
Perfect PremierZEN Platinum 20000	PreuderZeN	Sildenafil and Tadalafil (PDE-5 inhibitors)	Health Canada
Pink Pussycat	Make your pussycab purrorn.  A particular of the purpose of the pu	Hydroxythiohomo sildenafil (PDE-5 inhibitor)	Health Canada

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Pink Pussycat (bottle)	i de la constant de l	Acetaminophen and Sildenafil (PDE-5 inhibitor)	Health Canada
Pink Unicorn	PINK UNICOPN FEMALE SEXUAL ENHANCER  Sintense Orgusins	Sildenafil (PDE-5 inhibitor)	Health Canada
Platinum 10K	PLATINUM  PLATIN	Sildenafil and Tadalafil (PDE-5 inhibitors)	Health Canada
Platinum Rhino 500K	Patinum Patinum PAHINO	Acetaminophen, Sildenafil and Tadalafil (PDE-5 inhibitors)	Health Canada

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Premier Love Platinum 22000	Prender Continue product	Sildenafil and Tadalafil (PDE-5 inhibitors)	Health Canada
Premier Love Plus 24000	Prenier Love 24000 Clease Cortino Representative Control Representat	Sildenafil (PDE-5 inhibitor)	Health Canada

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ResErection (round bottle)	SERECTOR DE LA CONTRACTOR DEL CONTRACTOR DE LA CONTRACTOR DE LA CONTRACTOR DE LA CONTRACTOR	Metandienone (Anabolic Steroid)	Health Canada
Rhino 13 Extreme 500K	Exercise Spoil  SHINOIS  ESPANIS O CONGUSTINO  TIME SIZE STAMINA  Capsule Upto 7-Days	Tadalafil (PDE-5 inhibitor)	Health Canada
Rhino 25 Titanium 500K	RHINO S  CASTINGUING CLONG LASTING  TIME SIZE STAMINA	Sildenafil and Tadalafil (PDE-5 inhibitors)	Health Canada

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Rhino 25 Fast Platinum 25000	TIME SIZE STAMINA  WASNE BARRIES OF THE STAMINA  WASNE BARRIES OF THE STAMINA  WASNE BARRIES OF THE STAMENT OF	Sildenafil (PDE-5 inhibitor)	Health Canada
Rhino 69 Honey (pink)	AHINO Mercy	Sildenafil and Tadalafil (PDE-5 inhibitors)	Health Canada
Rhino 69 Platinum 700K	Platinum Platinum Platinum TIME SIZE STAMINA Capsule 7 Days	Sildenafil (PDE-5 inhibitor)	Health Canada

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Rhino 69 Titanium 990K	AHINO 69	Sildenafil and Tadalafil (PDE-5 inhibitors)	Health Canada
Rhino 69 250K	TIME SIZE STANINA  DESCRIPTION  DESCRIPTION	Sildenafil (PDE-5 inhibitor)	Health Canada
Rhino 69 6000K	RHING STIME SIZE STAVINA	Sildenafil (PDE-5 inhibitor)	Health Canada
Rhino 69 6000K Double Shot	RHING SIZE HEADACHE STAMINA WICHAMIT ALCOHOL REW FERNALA	Acetaminophen and Sildenafil (PDE-5 inhibitor)	Health Canada

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Rhino 69 7000K	AHINO THE	Sildenafil (PDE-5 inhibitor)	Health Canada
Rhino 69 20000K	RHINO SO	Sildenafil (PDE-5 inhibitor)	Health Canada
Rhino 69 Platinum 700K	Platinum Pla	Sildenafil (PDE-5 inhibitor)	Health Canada

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Rhino 7 20000K Trio	RELING Z 2000X TIME SIZE STAMINA	Sildenafil (PDE-5 inhibitor)	Health Canada
Rhino 7 Platinum 10,000	PARING 7  Jad Being Cong Testing  New Formula Same Great Results	Tadalafil (PDE 5- inhibitor)	Health Canada
Rhino 7 Platinum 5000	TIME SIZE STAMINA	Sildenafil (PDE-5 inhibitor)	Health Canada

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Rhino 8 20000K Trio	RHINO 20000K  20000K  THE SIZE STATEMENT SIZE STATE	Sildenafil (PDE-5 inhibitor)	Health Canada
Rhino 11 Extreme 500K	SUPER LIONG LASTING GOODS  TIME SIZE STAMINA  ICAPSULE UPTO / DAYS	Tadalafil (PDE 5- inhibitor)	Health Canada
Rhino 13 Extreme 500K	Extreme 50015  EXHING 13  EXERCISE O LONG LASTING 13  EXTREME OS IZE  STAMINA  Capsule Upto 7 Days	Tadalafil (PDE 5- inhibitor)	Health Canada

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Rhino Rush 500 Trio 1000K	HANDELS TEND  LOSSES  TIME+SIZE+STAMINA  TO TO SOLUT OF THE STAMINA	Sildenafil (PDE-5 inhibitor)	Health Canada
Rhino X	RHING!	Caffeine and Tadalafil (PDE-5 inhibitor)	Health Canada
Rhino XL Extreme 60000	RHINO XIL	Tadalafil (PDE 5- inhibitor)	Health Canada

Name of product	Picture of product	Potent ingredient(s)	Source (Regulatory Agency)
RIGIDRX	PACKAGING  PACKAGING  MALE ENS EMENT  LASTS BY HOURS  FAST ACTING 2 LONG LASTING  MAXIMUM STRENGTH FORMULA  Dietary Supplement	Tadalafil (PDE 5- inhibitor)	United States Food and Drug Administration
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Sausando cellulite pills	開放的所派に	Furosemide and Sibutramine	Thailand Food and Drug Administration

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Sensuva ON – Sex Drive for Him	SEX DRIVE FOR HIM LIBIDO PARA ÉL LE LIBIDO FOR IHN	DHEA	Health Canada
Sexual Performance Supplement	SEXUAL PERFORMANCE SURLEMENT  SOLUTION  All Netural  All Netural  Active  Social  Active  Soci	Sildenafil (PDE-5 inhibitor)	Health Canada
Spanish Fly 20,000	Spanish 20,000 14 1007	Sildenafil and Tadalafil (PDE-5 inhibitors)	Health Canada

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Stiff Rox	STIFF  STATE  ST	Sildenafil and Tadalafil (PDE-5 inhibitors)	Health Canada
The Goat	BE THEIR GREATEST OF ALL TIME LONGER HARDER STRONGER HARDER BETTER  PATENT SUBLINGUAL STRIP W 5-10 MM MALE ENHANCEMENT	Sildenafil (PDE-5 inhibitor)	US Food and Drug Administration
Tian Ma Tu Chung Seven Leave Ginseng	大麻杜仲 大麻杜仲 大麻杜仲 大麻杜仲	Diclofenac, Terbinafine and Paracetamol	Hong Kong The Department of Health

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Titanium 12K	TITALINA CEMENT - ENERGY	Sildenafil (PDE-5 inhibitor)	Health Canada
Titanium 12K T12K	TITALIAN CEMENT - ENERGY	Tadalafil (PDE-5 inhibitor) and Dapoxetine	Health Canada
Titanium 4000	PACKAGING  TITANIUM  4000  1 PILL WORKS UP TO 8 DAYS  100% GENUINE PRODUCT  NO HEADACHES	Sildenafil (PDE-5 inhibitor)	Health Canada

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Titanium 4000+	PACKAGING  TITANIUM  4000+1  -1 PILL WORKS UP TO 8 DAYS -  100% GENUINE PRODUCT -  NO HEADACHES -	Sildenafil (PDE-5 inhibitor)	Health Canada
The Green Giant	GREEN GIANTS  THE STOP STAPPING  NO HEADACHES FAST ACTINS & LONG LASTINS	Sildenafil and Tadalafil (PDE-5 inhibitors)	Health Canada
VIP Go Rhino Gold 69K	NEW COLD ON THE STANDARD OF TH	Sildenafil (PDE-5 inhibitor)	Health Canada

Name of product	Picture of product	Potent ingredient(s)	Source (Regulatory Agency)
WILDMAN	SuperFactacine  Works in 30 minutes! Herbal Dietary Supplement 10 Capsules	Sildenafil, Tadalafil (PDE-5 inhibitors), Sibutramine, Desmethyl sibutramine and Phenolphthalein	US Food and Drug Administration
X3 500K GOLD EDITION	GOLD EDITION  GOLD EDITION  LIPTO 7 DAYS  Male Sexual Performance Enhancement	Sildenafil, Tadalafil (PDE-5 inhibitors)	US Food and Drug Administration

#### Annex B

# The possible side effects of the potent ingredients

# **Acetaminophen / Paracetamol**

Acetaminophen or paracetamol is used for relieving pain, headache and fever. Products which contain acetaminophen or paracetamol, but do not have this declared on the label, pose a danger to consumers as accidental overdose can result in liver damage.

## **Anabolic steroids**

Anabolic steroids are not approved for use to increase muscle mass or boost athletic performance. Taking such medication without medical supervision can be dangerous as they can cause serious side effects such as insomnia, irritability, aggressive behaviour, hypertension, liver cancer, development of prominent breasts in men and impotence. In women, they can cause male characteristics such as an increase in facial hair growth, male pattern baldness, deepening of the voice and menstrual irregularities. Examples of anabolic steroids are Boldenone undecylenate, Drostanolone propionate, Methandrostenolone (Metandienone), Nandrolone decanoate, Oxandrolone and Testosterone compounds.

## Caffeine

The inappropriate use of caffeine may lead to insomnia, agitation, restlessness, palpitations, and increased heart rate.

## Chlorpheniramine

Chlorpheniramine is an antihistamine used to relieve allergic reactions such as hives and rhinitis. It should be used under medical supervision. Side effects from the use of chlorpheniramine include drowsiness, blurred vision, vomiting, constipation and poor coordination.

## **Clobetasol propionate**

Clobetasol propionate is a potent steroid that is usually prescribed for inflammatory conditions and should only be used under strict medical supervision. Common side effects include skin irritation, pimples, redness and dry skin. Long term use without medical supervision can cause an increased risk of infections, allergic reactions and Cushing's syndrome (characterised by the appearance of round face or 'moon face' and upper body obesity with thin limbs).

## **Dapoxetine**

Dapoxetine is a prescription medicine used to treat conditions including depression and eating disorders, and it should be used under medical supervision. The use of dapoxetine has been associated with side effects including headaches, insomnia, palpitations and dizziness.

## Dehydroepiandrosterone (DHEA) – also known as Prasterone

Dehydroepiandrosterone (DHEA) is a hormone that could increase the risk of prostate, breast, ovarian and other hormone-sensitive cancers. Side effects may include serious cardiovascular disease, changes in fertility and sperm production, hair loss, voice deepening, insulin resistance, changes in menstrual pattern, liver dysfunction, abdominal pain, and high blood pressure.

#### Diclofenac

Diclofenac is a potent painkiller and may potentially cause cardiovascular events such as heart attacks and strokes, as well as serious gastric bleeding, when used for a prolonged period. It should be used under close medical supervision, especially in patients with underlying heart conditions, stomach bleeding and ulceration.

### Frusemide / Furosemide

Frusemide is a prescription medicine used to eliminate water and salt from the body and should be used under medical supervision. The side effects associated with its use include loss of appetite and low blood pressure. When taken in excess, the 'water-eliminating' effect of frusemide can cause the depletion of sodium, chloride, body water and other minerals in the body.

## Glibenclamide / Glyburide

Glibenclamide is a prescription medicine used to treat diabetes mellitus and should be used under medical supervision. Inappropriate use of glibenclamide without medical supervision may cause severe low blood glucose which can cause seizures or coma. Other side effects may include nausea, vomiting, diarrhoea and cholestatic jaundice.

## Levodopa (L-Dopa)

Levodopa is a prescription medicine used in the treatment of Parkinson's Disease and should be used under medical supervision. Levodopa may potentially interact with medicines used to treat high blood pressure. Side effects of levodopa may include low blood pressure, irregular heart rate and breathing abnormalities.

#### **Fluoroquinolones**

Fluoroquinolones are antibiotics used to treat bacterial infections. They are prescription medicines and should be used under medical supervision. Common side effects include nausea, vomiting, diarrhoea and rash. Severe side effects include an increased risk of tendon rupture, hallucinations and nerve damage. Examples include ciprofloxacin and levofloxacin.

#### Metformin

Metformin is a prescription medicine for the treatment of diabetes and should be used under medical supervision. Common side effects include diarrhoea, nausea and abdominal pain. An overdose can cause severe hypoglycemia or lactic acidosis, which can be fatal.

# Paynantheine and Mitragynine - Kratom (Mitragyna speciosa) alkaloids

Paynantheine and mitragynine are alkaloids of Kratom or *Mitragyna speciose*. The use of kratom has been associated with respiratory depression or decreased breathing, seizure, addiction and psychosis. Other side effects include high heart rate and blood pressure, trouble sleeping, and liver toxicity. When use is stopped, withdrawal symptoms may occur. Deaths have been reported with kratom both by itself and mixed with other substances.

## Phosphodiesterase Type 5 (PDE-5) inhibitors

This class of medicine includes avanafil, carbodenafil, sildenafil, tadalafil, vardenafil and their derivatives. These medicines can cause serious side effects such as strokes, heart attacks, decreased or loss of vision and hearing and priapism (painful and exceedingly long erections). If priapism is not treated immediately, it may lead to permanent impotence. PDE-5 inhibitors are also not suitable for patients with medical conditions such as certain heart-related problems or who are on heart medications such as nitrates. Deaths of patients found to be using sildenafil while on nitrates have been reported overseas.

# Phenolphthalein

Phenolphthalein may cause kidney disorders and has been found in animal studies to be associated with cancer. It may also cause breathing difficulties, rashes and abdominal cramps.

#### Sibutramine / Desmethyl sibutramine / Benzyl sibutramine

Sibutramine, previously a prescription weight loss medicine used in the treatment of obesity, has been disallowed for sale in Singapore since 2010 due to increased risk of heart attacks and strokes. The use of sibutramine has been associated with serious side effects, including high blood pressure, irregular heartbeats, hallucinations, and mood swings.

Desmethyl sibutramine and Benzyl sibutramine are like sibutramine and may have similar side effects.

#### **Terbinafine**

Terbinafine is a medicine used to treat fungal infections. Side effects associated with inappropriate use of creams containing terbinafine include skin peeling, itching, redness, and burning.