

Notice Information: Human Medicines - Warning 15 July 2008

Part 1. Product Information

a)	Title:	LiDa Daidaihua Capsules
b)	Product Name/Type:	LiDa Daidaihua Capsules
c)	Active Substance:	Unconfirmed
d)	Reference:	IMB Reference: QDR-H-08-265
e)	Serial/Batch Number &	Serial/Batch Number(s): All batches Expiry Date:
	Expiry Date:	Various
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f)	Authorisation Number:	None
g)	Manufacturer/Supplier:	Manufactured by: Kunming Dali Industry & No. 372 West
		Renmin Road, Kunming, Yuman,
		China. Suppliers unconfirmed.
h)	Recall Classification:	Recall Required: Yes (User level)

Part 2. Target Audience

a) Target Audience:

The General Public and Users of Traditional Chinese Medicinal Products Suppliers and Retailers of Traditional Chinese Medicinal Products Practitioners of Traditional Chinese Medicine Pharmacists

Part 3. Problem/Issue

a) Problem/Issue:

The Irish Medicines Board (IMB) wishes to warn consumers about an inappropriate and potentially adulterated herbal slimming product named LiDa Daidaihua Capsules. The IMB is concerned about this product following complaints relating to the availability of the product on the Irish Market and receipt of alerts from another European Member State regarding the possible adulteration of LiDa Daidaihua Capsules with a prescription-only medicine or other inappropriate substances. The IMB investigation of this product is ongoing. The IMB advises that this product should not be consumed and any LiDa Daidaihua Capsules should be returned to the retailer that they were purchased from. You may wish to bring a copy of this statement with you to explain the reason for the return. Please notify the IMB at the contact details below with details of where you purchased the LiDa Daidaihua Capsules. Any suspected adverse reactions associated with use of LiDa Daidaihua Capsules should be notified to the IMB, via the on-line reporting system accessible from www.imb.ie and by following the link to 'on-line reporting'. A downloadable report form is also available from the website.

Part 4. Background Information

a) Background Information:

The following information is intended to be helpful in identifying the products of concern: This product is packaged in capsule form. The capsules are green in colour, and are contained within a blisterstrip. The blister strip is silver in colour, with blue and purple Chinese markings. The blister strip is contained with an aqua-green coloured cardboard box, showing a picture on the front cover of a female behind a newspaper. Click here to read the Finalised Letter to Trade and Professional bodies 14/07/2008 Related Photographs of the product in question: Blister Strip Capsule Lida Outer Carton Market Compliance Sample Lida Outer Carton Market Compliance Sample 2

Part 5. Action to be taken

a) Action to be taken:

Any patients or members of the public who are using, or have used LiDa Daidaihua Capsules, are advised to immediately cease taking that product and to consult with their pharmacist or doctor if they have any concerns. Any persons holding stock of the above product for sale, or who have supplied this product to others, should put the packs in a safe place immediately and notify the IMB at the contact details below. The IMB is also alerting trade and other relevant organisations representing companies or individuals supplying, selling or using Traditional Chinese Medicinal Products today to advise them of this issue, so that their members can be made aware of this information as soon as possible. In this regard, the IMB requests trade and other relevant organisations to bring the information in this warning notice to the attention of their members, so that their members may cease supplying/selling/using this product, and contact the IMB. Any packs of this product should be immediately quarantined. The Irish Medicines Board is also requesting any retailers and suppliers of these products to contact their customers, where possible, so that they can be advised of the above. The IMB wishes to advise that vigilance should always be exercised in relation to the purchase, sale and/or use of any medicinal product, including Traditional Chinese Medicinal Products. Medicinal products such as the above product are not authorised for use in Ireland, and cannot be regarded as safe. These types of products are illegal medicines and should not be purchased for The IMB contact person for this issue is: use over the internet. Kevin O' Donnell, Ph.D. Senior Inspector & Market Compliance Manager, Irish Medicines Board, Earlsfort Terrace, Dublin 2, Ireland Tel: +353-1-6764971 Fax: +353-1-6764061

Part 6. Keywords

a) Keywords:

chinese herbal medicine warning