

Pharmaceutical Anti-Counterfeiting Anti-Diversion Flash Report

This report provides a summary of pharmaceutical counterfeiting and diversion focused articles tracked during the month of February 2010. Provided are article titles along with hot links. All links are maintained by 3rd party websites; therefore, availability may change.

Counterfeit drugs market increase, BBC News

A Cracking Counterfeit Europe report survey revealed that 15% of UK adults admitted buying prescription drugs from the internet rather than visiting their doctor.

http://news.bbc.co.uk/go/pr/fr/-/2/hi/uk_news/england/kent/8518368.stm

Nigeria convicts fake drug importer, closes rogue pharmacies,

According to local press reports, a Nigerian court has convicted a drug importer of participating in the trade in counterfeit products. Further raids lead to the closure of 10 illegal pharmacies.

<http://www.securingspharma.com/40/articles/382.php>

No Cure For Fake Drugs, The Wall Street Journal

A recent seizure of counterfeit drugs shows how Syria is stepping up its response to a problem that remains widespread in the Middle East.

<http://online.wsj.com/article/SB10001424052748704533204575047282075703998.html>

Lebanese authorities seize counterfeit-drugs factory, Daily Star

Large quantities of fake medications were confiscated after a factory producing counterfeit drugs was discovered by the Customs Department.

http://www.dailystar.com.lb/article.asp?edition_id=1&categ_id=2&article_id=112125#

Research finds substandard malaria drugs in Uganda, Daily Monitor

A recent report by a US-based drug quality standards body has revealed that 26 per cent of anti-malaria drugs in Uganda are substandard.

<http://www.monitor.co.ug/News/National/-/688334/858930/-/wi1k0w/-/>

Two men indicted in Texas for distributing counterfeit pharmaceuticals, Thaindian

Two men were indicted in Houston, Texas for distributing counterfeit pharmaceuticals which allegedly bore trademarks representing they were authentic.

http://www.thaindian.com/newsportal/world/two-men-indicted-in-texas-for-distributing-counterfeit-pharmaceuticals_100327012.html#ixzz0gxVtU8oQ

14 arrested for making, selling fake drugs via bogus military medical websites, English People's Daily Online

The fake drug sellers fraudulently affiliated their 7 websites with the PLA hospitals to win public trust resulting in \$146,488 in sales.

<http://english.people.com.cn/90001/90776/90882/6889316.html>

U.N. narcotics board warns of prescription drug abuse, Reuters UK

Prescription drug abuse is growing rapidly around the world and illegal internet pharmacies, which sell stolen, diverted and counterfeited medicines, are a major supply source.

<http://uk.reuters.com/article/idUKTRE61N24B20100224?sp=true>

They may look like the real thing, but counterfeit drugs pose risks, Daily News Transcript

A police investigator bought Viagra over the counter at a local grocery store, bypassing both a prescription and a pharmacy which lead to a grand jury indictment of the store owner Vasant Patel for illegal sale of Viagra.

http://www.dailynewstranscript.com/lifestyle/health_and_environment/x692836378/They-may-look-like-the-real-thing-but-counterfeit-drugs-pose-risks