



## INTERDICTION

## Anvisa suspends and interdicts 13 batches of medicines

Action includes a batch of the drug Floxicam that showed amount of active ingredient out of the expected. Some batches of captopril and Beta Long were also discontinued.

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Twelve batches of drugs were suspended and another was banned by Anvisa on Tuesday (2/5). The lots are from medicines from three different companies.

The first drug to be banned was Floxicam (piroxicam), 20mg, from Brainfarma. The prohibited lot is B16J2232, which carries in the package the validity up to 10/2018. The ban was motivated after the Goiás Public Health Laboratory verified that the dose of piroxicam in the product was incorrect. The action is part of the National Program of Verification of Medicines (Proveme).

The interdiction is preventive and lasts 90 days for the control to be made. If the irregularity is confirmed, the batch of the product will be permanently suspended. Meanwhile, the product can not be marketed or used.

The second measure was the suspension of Beta Long (betamethasone phosphate 3mg / ml and betamethasone acetate 3mg / ml). There are two suspended lots: 1607483 (val 03/2018) and 1629396 (val 03/2018).

The suspension was adopted because the Central Laboratory of Public Health Prof. Gonçalo Moniz (BA) identified problems in the aspect test, which is a visual evaluation of the characteristics of the product. Beta Long is manufactured by União Química Farmacêutica. The suspension is final and the medicinal products of the lots concerned may not be marketed or used.

### Captopril Restricted

The other 10 suspended lots are from the drug Captopril 25mg, manufactured by the Laboratory of the State of Pernambuco (Lafepe). In this case, the manufacturer himself identified a change in the disulfide content of captopril and initiated a voluntary recall of the product. The lots of Captopril from Lafepe suspended are in the table below, which also brings the other medications suspended and interdicted.

Medication	Lot	Situation
Floxicam (piroxicam), 20mg Brainfarma Indústria Química e Farmacêutica SA	• B16J2232 - Validity: 10/2018	Interdicted for 90 days. It should not be used.
Beta Long (betamethasone phosphate 3mg / ml and betamethasone acetate 3mg / ml) Pharmaceutical Chemical Union	• 1607483 (val 03/2018) • 1629396 (Val 03/2018)	Suspended. It should not be marketed, distributed or used. Manufacturer must make the recall.

<p>Captopril Laboratório do Estado de Pernambuco (Lafepe)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 15081401</li> <li>• 15081402</li> <li>• 15081403</li> <li>• 15090230</li> <li>• 15090231</li> <li>• 15090232</li> <li>• 15121446</li> <li>• 16030251</li> <li>• 16030254</li> <li>• 16030255</li> </ul>	<p>Suspensão. Não deve ser comercializado, distribuído ou utilizado.</p> <p>Fabricante deve fazer o recolhimento.</p>
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