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**Information Exchange System****Alert No. 110****Counterfeit triple antiretroviral combination product (Ginovir 3D)  
detected in Côte d'Ivoire**

The World Health Organization has received information about the presence of a counterfeit triple antiretroviral combination product, Ginovir 3D capsules, in Côte d'Ivoire. The product was analysed by the Agence Française de Sécurité Sanitaire des Produits de Santé (AFSSAPS) under request from the association of AIDS patients (Association AIDES) in Côte d'Ivoire. As per the label, each capsule of Ginovir 3D is stated to contain zidovudine (200 mg), lamivudine (150 mg) and indinavir (40 mg). However, according to AFSSAPS, laboratory investigations of Ginovir 3D samples did not show the presence of lamivudine or indinavir; the capsules were found to contain 201 mg of zidovudine and 40 mg of stavudine per capsule, in addition to an non-identified substance. The manufacturer of Ginovir 3D, as indicated in the product, is Selchi Pharmaceuticals, PO Box 3351, Windhoek Namibia.

This message is intended to help Member States stay alert to the possible presence of this product in their countries and to initiate appropriate safety and regulatory measures.

**Reference:**

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