

The Board of Pharmacy has received notice of the following product recall:

Bausch + Lomb is conducting a recall of nine lots of LOTEMAX® GEL (loteprednol etabonate ophthalmic gel) 0.5% to wholesalers in the United States.

The company is conducting this recall due to an internal review that found the product to be out of specification when measuring the thickness level (i.e. viscosity rate) in accordance with the product's label. Only products from three of the nine lots (283441, 283451 and 283621) were found to be out of specification. The other six lots included are precautionary since they include product that was identified as using the same raw material (i.e. polycarbophil) found to be the root cause of the issue.

**LOTEMAX® GEL (loteprednol etabonate ophthalmic gel) 0.5%**

<b>Lot Number</b>	<b>UPC Code</b>	<b>Fill Size</b>	<b>Expiration Date</b>	<b>NDC</b>
282611	324208503072	5g	10/2019	24208-503-07
283431	324208503072	5g	10/2019	24208-503-07
283441*	324208503072	5g	10/2019	24208-503-07
283451*	324208503072	5g	10/2019	24208-503-07
282971	324208503072	5g	11/2019	24208-503-07
282981	324208503072	5g	11/2019	24208-503-07
283611	324208503072	5g	11/2019	24208-503-07
283621*	324208503072	5g	11/2019	24208-503-07
283631	324208503072	5g	11/2019	24208-503-07

\*The three lots found to be out of specification.

The Board of Pharmacy strongly encourages pharmacies to immediately review their quality assurance and recall policies and procedures to determine if any corrective action is required.