

Recall of Eu Yan Sang's Brown Rice Si Shen powder due to aflatoxin and arsenic exceeding permissible levels

The Singapore Food Agency (SFA) has detected aflatoxin B1 and arsenic in samples of Eu Yan Sang's Brown Rice Si Shen powder at levels exceeding the maximum limit stated in the Singapore Food Regulations.

2 SFA has directed the manufacturer, Eu Yan Sang (Singapore) Pte Ltd, to recall two affected batches of the product.

3 Arsenic is a heavy metal found naturally in the earth's crust and in the environment. Aflatoxins can occur in foods, as a result of fungal contamination before and after harvest under warm and humid conditions. Long term intake of aflatoxins can cause cancer and liver damage, while long term intake of arsenic can cause cancer and skin changes. Hence, exposure through food, especially those meant for young children, should be kept as low as possible.

4 More information on aflatoxins and arsenic can be found on SFA's website: <https://www.sfa.gov.sg/food-information/risk-at-a-glance/aflatoxins-and-food-safety> and <https://www.sfa.gov.sg/food-information/risk-at-a-glance/arsenic-in-rice-and-infant-rice-cereal>.

5 Consumers who have purchased the implicated products are advised not to feed it to their children. Those whose children have consumed the implicated products and have concerns about their children's health should seek medical advice. Consumers may contact their point of purchase for enquiries.

6 Details of the product are as follows.



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