

MEDIA RELEASE

Updated media release:

Update on 19 Feb 2022: Further to the media release on 19 Feb 2022, SFA has directed the recall of an additional affected product – Similac Human Milk Fortifier (HMF).

The recall for both affected products have been completed. Parents or caregivers who are concerned should stop using these products. They should seek medical assistance should their infants feel unwell after consuming the affected products.

Consumers may reach out to the importer, Abbott Laboratories (S) Pte Ltd, at 6278 6220 or email to family.sg@abbott.com for any clarification.

Additional implicated product:

Implicated product:

Product name:

Similac Human Milk Fortifier (HMF)

- The first two digits of the code are “22” through “37”;
- The code on the container contains “K8”, “SH” or “Z2”

Expiration date: 1 Apr 2022 or later

Country of origin: USA



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Recall of Abbott Alimentum powdered infant formula from USA due to possible presence of *Cronobacter sakazakii* and *Salmonella* Newport

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has issued a notification that they are working with Abbott Nutrition to initiate a voluntary recall of Abbott Alimentum powdered infant formula from USA due to the possible presence of *Cronobacter sakazakii* and *Salmonella* Newport. The U.S. authorities are investigating consumer complaints of infections reportedly linked to consumption of the product.

2 The Singapore Food Agency (SFA) has directed Abbott Laboratories (S) Pte Ltd to recall the implicated batches in Singapore. The recall is ongoing.

3 *Cronobacter sakazakii* and *Salmonella* Newport are pathogenic bacteria.

- *Cronobacter sakazakii* infections are generally rare, and can cause meningitis or sepsis. Examples of symptoms displayed by infants infected include fever, poor feeding or lethargy. It is a bacterium found in the environment that can survive dry conditions, such as dry food like infant formula and powdered milk.
- *Salmonella* Newport can cause gastrointestinal illness and those infected may experience fever, abdominal cramps and diarrhoea.

4 Parents or caregivers who are concerned should stop using the product. They should seek medical assistance should their infants feel unwell after consuming the affected products.

5 Consumers may contact their point of purchase for enquiries.

6 Details of the products are as follows:

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Issued by the Singapore Food Agency

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