

## Novartis recalls 4.4 mn antacid bottles

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**Singapore:** Novartis initiated the voluntary recall of 4.4 million bottles of its antacid medicine, Maalox, on August 6, 2013, as the lot numbers or expiration dates weren't legible on the outer plastic packaging.

Novartis recalled nine different types of the chewable tablets, including Extra Strength and Advanced Maximum Strength Antacid and Antigas. The recall also included bottles of tablets in Wild Berry, Assorted Fruit, Wintergreen, Mint and Cherry flavors, according to a posting on the US FDA website.

This recall follows on the close heels of the recall of certain lots of the pain reliever Excedrin and the anti-sleeping pills No Doz on June 6. Novartis recalled these drugs as their pouches may not have been fully sealed.