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Infant formula recalled due to possible health risks

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Moor Herbs of Detroit is recalling its Angel Formula brand infant formula after the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) determined the product does not meet nutrition and labeling requirements and may cause health risks to infants.

The recalled formula was sold at Moor Herbs' retail store in Detroit and nationwide through its website. The product is sold in 16-fluid-ounce plastic bottles. The labeling does not have any UPC or lot codes. The formula began shipping in February 2019, and the recall includes all distributed units.

According to an FDA alert, tests on the infant formula concluded its iron, sodium and potassium content are well over the maximum allowed, which could lead to iron overload and/or electrolyte imbalances. In addition, the product does not have vitamin D. Vitamin D deficiency could lead to rickets, a softening and weakening of bones.

No injuries or illnesses have been reported.

Parents and caregivers of infants who purchased the recalled product should stop using it and either throw the formula away or return it for a refund. Those who are concerned

about the health of their child after using the formula should contact their health care provider.

The FDA first issued a consumer alert about the formula in late December, saying Moor Herbs was not registered with the agency and continued to manufacture the product without a state license.

The Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development seized Moor Herb products in August 2021 and placed a cease-and-desist order on the company. Moor Herbs, however, continued to sell its products in violation of the order, the FDA said.

Following discussions with the company last month, the FDA said it began working with Moor Herbs to voluntarily recall the product.

The FDA is encouraging consumers to report any problems with the product to the agency. For more information, call 313-583-9709 or visit https://www.fda.gov.

Resources

- FDA consumer complaint coordinator
- Online form to report adverse events to the FDA
- FDA consumer and industry assistance