

Important Drug Recall Notice

TO ALL PARTICIPATING PHARMACIES

Circular Letter MC23-059-CG October 4, 2023

FDA announced that Newtown, Pennsylvania, KVK-Tech, Inc. is voluntarily recalling one lot (Batch Number: 17853A; "the batch") of Betaxolol Tablets, USP 10 mg, White, Round, film coated biconvex tablets, debossed "K" above bisect "13" on one side and plain on the other side" to the consumer level. The batch was distributed nationwide to wholesalers and retailers. The batch is being recalled as a precautionary measure due to a single Oxycodone HCl tablet 5 mg foreign tablet found on the packaging line during the line clearance after the subject batch was packaged. KVK has not received any reports of foreign tablet in any bottle of Betaxolol Tablets, USP 10 mg (Batch Number 17853A) at this time

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. KVK notified its distributors and customers by a Recall Notification Letter via email and FedEx overnight mail on 09/26/2023 and is arranging for the return of all recalled product. KVK believes that a small number of bottles may have been distributed to retail pharmacies.
2. Consumers that may have received Betaxolol Tablets, USP 10 mg (Batch Number: 17853A), should stop using and immediately return the product to KVK-Tech, Inc., 110 Terry Drive, Newtown, PA 18940. KVK will arrange to reimburse customers for their costs in purchasing the product.
3. Consumers with questions regarding this recall can contact **KVK-Tech Inc.**, at **(215) 579-1842 Ext: 6002 Monday – Friday, 8:00 am – 6:00 pm EST** or by email at customerservice@kvktech.com.
4. Consumers should contact their physician or healthcare provider if they have experienced any problems that may be related to taking or using this drug product.
5. Review your inventory to identify existence of recalled products.
6. Expect patients to visit your pharmacy to deliver recalled products and prepare your pharmacy staff on how to handle the situation.

MC-Rx Pharmacy Services Department

KVK-Tech, Inc. Issues Voluntary Nationwide Recall of One Lot of Betaxolol Tablets, USP 10 mg (Batch Number: 17853A) as a Precautionary Measure Due to a Single Foreign Tablet Found During the Line Clearance After the Batch was Packaged

Summary:

Company Announcement Date:	September 29, 2023
FDA Publish Date:	October 03, 2023
Product Type:	Drugs
Reason for Announcement:	Potential Presence of Oxycodone HCl tablet
Company Name:	KVK-Tech, Inc.
Brand Name:	KVK Tech
Product Description:	Betaxolol Tablets, USP

COMPANY ANNOUNCEMENT

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Risk Statement: The betaxolol package insert warns about slowing in the heart rate in elderly patients which is likely to be exacerbated by inadvertent opioid administration. Additionally, some patients prescribed low-dose betaxolol might be have compromised heart and lung function that is also likely to be exacerbated by an opioid. Furthermore, there are minor differences in appearance between betaxolol 10 mg tablets and oxycodone 5 mg tablets, not likely to be noticed by a regular user of the 10 mg betaxolol tablet. Specific patient populations such as those with opioid use disorder (OUD) or at risk of OUD, infants, children, and the elderly are likely to be negatively affected by inadvertently receiving an opioid, especially if a substantial number of oxycodone tablets have been introduced into a bottle labeled as betaxolol. Therefore, inadvertent exposure to a controlled substance, such as oxycodone, in that patient population is likely to result in significant slowing in breathing, known as respiratory depression, which is a serious health risk.

Betaxolol HCl Tablets are packaged in 50 CC White High-Density Polyethylene (HDPE) bottles, 100 Tablets and 10702-013-01. The affected Betaxolol Tablets, USP 10 mg lot 17853A has labeled expiration as June 2027. The product can be identified by using the images of tablets and labels provided below.

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Adverse reactions or quality problems experienced with the use of this product may be reported to the FDA's MedWatch Adverse Event Reporting program either online, by regular mail or by fax.

- Complete and submit the report **Online:** www.fda.gov/medwatch/report.htm
- **Regular Mail or Fax:** Download form www.fda.gov/MedWatch/getforms.htm or call **1-800-332-1088** to request a reporting form, then complete and return to the address on the pre-addressed form, or submit by fax to **1-800-FDA-0178**



Betaxolol bottle being recalled (left) and Betaxolol 10 mg tablet (above).



Possible foreign Oxycodone HCl tablet 5 mg (above).