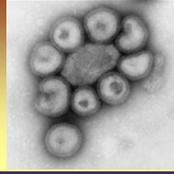


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FDA WARNS ABOUT FRAUDULENT TAMIFLU

Yesterday the U.S. Food and Drug Administration [warned consumers](#) about a potentially harmful product represented as "Generic Tamiflu" sold over the Internet. FDA tests revealed that the fraudulent product does not contain Tamiflu's active ingredient, oseltamivir, but cloxacillin, an ingredient in the same class of antibiotics as penicillin.

2009 H1N1: JOURNAL ARTICLES AND NEWS INTERNATIONAL

The Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) June 11 [MMWR](#) includes an article on deaths and hospitalizations related to the 2009 Pandemic Influenza in Greece.

Eurosurveillance published [the following article](#) on June 17: "Transmissibility of 2009 Pandemic Influenza A (H1N1) in New Zealand: Effective Reproduction Numbers and Influence of Age, Ethnicity and Importations."

The Central European Vaccination Advisory Group [recently recommended](#) the introduction of universal influenza vaccination for all children from the age of 6 months.

UNITED STATES

A team of US researchers reported in [Nature Communications](#) that the current pandemic H1N1 influenza vaccine protects mice and may protect humans against the 1918 pandemic virus, a finding that should reduce concern about the potential for an accidental or intentional release of that strain.

The New England Journal of Medicine (NEJM) published the following article on June 10: "[Comparative Epidemiology of Pandemic and Seasonal Influenza A in Households.](#)" The study found that Pandemic 2009 H1N1 virus has characteristics that are broadly similar to those of seasonal influenza A viruses in terms of rates of viral shedding, clinical illness, and transmissibility in the household setting.

NEJM also published the following perspective article: [Enrolling Pregnant Women in Research – Lessons from the H1N1 Influenza Pandemic](#)

RECENT NEWS ARTICLES

[WHO defends pandemic actions, says rules need tightening](#)

[Studies examine H1N1 spread in military units, households](#)

France: [Study raises questions about age-group impact of H1N1](#)

[Chinese researchers give details on swine-pandemic flu hybrid](#)

[Autopsy study finds unique traits of H1N1 flu](#)

FLU IN THE NEWS

[MSU researchers get \\$2M US grant for flu study](#)

[New Vaccine Approach: Live attenuated influenza virus vaccines by computer-aided rational design](#)

FLU RESOURCES

MARK YOUR CALENDAR: "IMMUNIZATION UPDATE 2010" August 5 is the date for this year's highly anticipated "Immunization Update," presented by CDC experts. This live satellite broadcast and webcast will provide up-to-date immunization information including the latest information from the June ACIP meeting. To read more about the course content, go to: <http://www2a.cdc.gov/PHTN//immupdate2010>

PRESENTATIONS FROM THE NATIONAL INFLUENZA VACCINE SUMMIT NOW AVAILABLE ONLINE
The presentations are posted at [PreventInfluenza.org](#) from the May 17-19 Summit.

MDCH: www.michigan.gov/flu
CDC: www.cdc.gov/flu
HHS: www.flu.gov

REMEMBER TO VOTE FOR ALANA'S FLU FOUNDATION

Click [here](#) for more information and to vote for Alana's Flu Foundation which is in this month's running for a \$25,000 Pepsi Refresh Grant. You can vote once a day, everyday until June 30.

ADDITIONAL IMMUNIZATION NEWS

The June issue of the Michigan Immunization Timely Tips [newsletter](#) is now available.

ADOLESCENT IMMUNIZATION UPDATES

Tune in to MDCH's Adolescent Immunization NetConference on Thursday, June 24, 2010, from 12:00 p.m. to 1:05 p.m. (EST). The agenda is now posted at www.michigan.gov/teenvaccines under Health Care Personnel. While on the website be sure check out the new [Adolescent Immunization Toolkit](#).

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