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FALSIFIED "DR. ALFRED CAPSULES" ADULTERATED WITH SILDENAFIL CITRATE ON SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORMS

Accra: September 09 2026 - This serves as a notification from the Food and Drugs Authority (FDA) to the public about the circulation of **falsified Dr. Alfred Capsules**, a Dietary Supplement for Male Vitality, on various social media platforms. This capsules in question has not been registered by the FDA.

Following regulatory intelligence and subsequent enforcement operations, the FDA has identified an organised syndicate operating in Accra and Suhum who manufacture and distribute the falsified products across the country.

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Two suspects linked to this illicit activity are currently on police enquiry bail assisting with ongoing investigations. The falsified Dr. Alfred Capsules are produced in unauthorised, unregulated and unhygienic environments continued on next slide...

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and pose a critical public health risk to the public.

Additionally, laboratory analysis by the FDA Centre for Laboratory Services and Research (CLSR) confirmed that these falsified variants of the Dr. Alfred Capsules have been adulterated with **Sildenafil citrate**, which is an allopathic drug substance.

Sildenafil Citrate is a Phosphodiesterase Type 5 (PDE5) inhibitor, which is an undeclared drug substance in the falsified product. It is a prescription-only medicine used to treat erectile dysfunction in men, as well as pulmonary arterial hypertension.

The registered product is manufactured by CV Al Manar HerbaFit Jl. Imogiri, Bantul, DI, Yogyakarta 55194, Indonesia and registered by Unateus Ghana Limited as a continued on next slide...

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food supplement. The registered product DOES NOT contain Sildenafil citrate.

Below are the differences between the product registered with the FDA by Unateus Ghana Limited and the falsified product.

Feature	Registered Product	Falsified Product
Packaging and Print	High-quality in container material, distinctive text alignment and secure, premium exterior finishes, in a pack size of 30 capsules only.	Low quality in container material, inferior print resolution, and blurred or altered typography in, varying pack sizes of 30 or 60 capsules.
Batch and Manufacturing Data	Clear, traceable batch numbers matching on both the label and at the base of the container.	No, matching batch numbers on either label or at the base of the container. Has fictitious FDA registration numbers on the labels.

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Feature	Registered Product	Falsified Product
Security Sealing	Features uniform, intact tamper-evident sealing characteristics unique to the Marketing Authorization Holder on the bottle cap, with an aluminium inner seal on first opening.	Missing safety seals on the bottle caps, may or may not have an aluminium inner seal on first opening.
Capsule and Content Composition	Standardised wine-red capsule shell coloration containing uniform off-white fine powder inside the capsule halves.	Stark differences in capsule shell colours (transparent or black and red capsule shells) containing greenish-brown powder coloration inside the capsule halves.

Please find below the differences between the authentic and the falsified products.



Registered product



Falsified products

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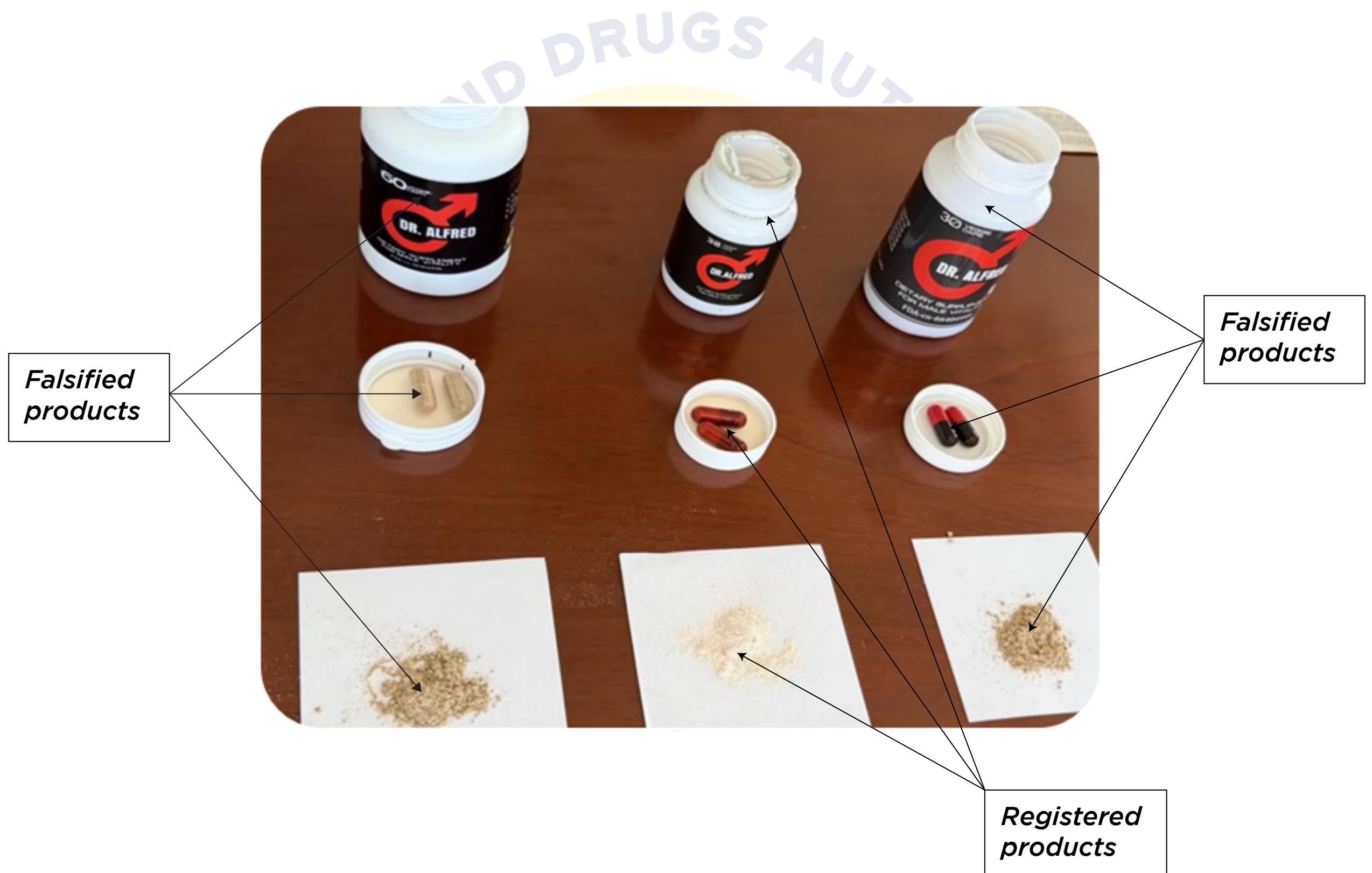
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Differences between capsule shells colour and content

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Advice to the Public and Retailers

- The public is advised to desist from purchasing medications, herbal remedies, or dietary supplements from unverified online networks and social media handles.
- All pharmacies, herbal shops and distributors are directed to immediately inspect their stock and report any suspicion of falsified products to the FDA.
- Anyone in possession of these falsified products must immediately return them to the nearest FDA regional office across the country.

The FDA continues its market surveillance and digital monitoring to ensure all remnants of these illicit falsified variants are completely removed from circulation.

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Anyone with information on the falsified Dr. Alfred Capsules or any other suspected falsified products should report to the FDA through our official channels.

Signed
Chief Executive Officer
Food and Drugs Authority

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