



Press Release

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Daiichi Sankyo Launches New Generic Drugs through Its Daiichi Sankyo Espha Subsidiary

Tokyo, Japan (June 15, 2017) – Daiichi Sankyo Company, Limited (hereafter, Daiichi Sankyo) today announced that on June 16, 2017, its generics subsidiary, Daiichi Sankyo Espha Co., Ltd (hereinafter, Daiichi Sankyo Espha), will launch eleven new generic drugs with six new active ingredients, out of the seventeen new drugs and eight new active ingredients that have been announced through today’s official gazette.

Overview of Newly Released Products

1. Product Names/Therapeutic Categories

Products launched on June 16 (Authorized Generic products marked with an asterisk)

Product name	Therapeutic category	Original brand name
*Telmisartan Tablets 20mg “DSEP”	Biliary excretion sustained release AT1 receptor antagonist	Micardis [®] Tablets 20mg/40mg/80mg
*Telmisartan Tablets 40mg “DSEP”		
*Telmisartan Tablets 80mg “DSEP”		
*Teramuro [®] Combination Tablets AP “DSEP”	Biliary excretion sustained release AT1 receptor antagonist / Sustained release Ca antagonist combination	Micamlo [®] Combination Tablets AP/BP
*Teramuro [®] Combination Tablets BP “DSEP”		
*Telthia [®] Combination Tablets AP “DSEP”	Biliary excretion sustained release AT1 receptor antagonist / Diuretic combination	Micombi [®] Combination Tablets AP/BP
*Telthia [®] Combination Tablets BP “DSEP”		
Entecavir Tablets 0.5mg “DSEP”	Antiviral chemotherapeutic agent	Baraclude [®] Tablets 0.5mg

Product name	Therapeutic category	Original brand name
Montelukast Chewable Tablets 5mg “DSEP” ¹	Leukotriene receptor antagonist/ Bronchial asthma treatment	Singulair [®] Chewable Tablets 5mg KIPRES [®] Chewable Tablets 5mg
Montelukast Powder 4mg “DSEP” ¹		Singulair [®] Powder 4mg KIPRES [®] Powder 4mg
Folate Tablets 25mg “DSEP”	Reduced folic acid formulation	Uzel [®] Tablets 25mg Leucovorin [®] Tablets 25mg

¹Montelukast Chewable Tablets 5mg “DSEP” and Montelukast Powder 4mg “DSEP” are new formulations of previously released active ingredients.

Daiichi Sankyo Espha is the only company to have listed the following six new generic drugs and two new active ingredients in the National Health Insurance reimbursement price list. Daiichi Sankyo Espha will prepare diligently and launch the products and related information in mid-September.

Products to be launched in mid-September (Authorized Generic products marked with an asterisk)

Product name	Therapeutic category	Original brand name
*Olmesartan OD Tablets 5mg “DSEP”	High affinity AT1 receptor antagonist	Olmotec [®] OD Tablets 5mg/10mg/20mg/40mg
*Olmesartan OD Tablets 10mg “DSEP”		
*Olmesartan OD Tablets 20mg “DSEP”		
*Olmesartan OD Tablets 40mg “DSEP”		
*Rosuvastatin Tablets 2.5mg “DSEP”	HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Crestor [®] Tablets 2.5mg/5mg
*Rosuvastatin Tablets 5mg “DSEP”		

2. Product Attributes

(1) Innovative design of tablets

Double-sided printing

Information including product name and active ingredients are printed on both sides of the tablet using inkjet or stamp pad printing, as appropriate, making the tablets easy to identify.

Other innovations

The flavor and stability have been improved according to the individual characteristics of each formulation, in addition to which the shelf-lives of these products have been extended.

Telmisartan Tablets 20mg “DSEP”



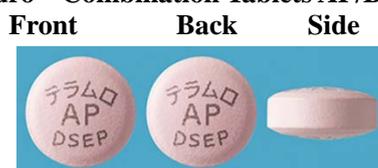
Double-sided inkjet printing
Same design on both sides

Telmisartan Tablets 40mg/80mg “DSEP”



Double-sided inkjet printing
Printing direction control prevents
printing on dividing line

Teramuro® Combination Tablets AP/BP “DSEP”



Double-sided inkjet printing
Same design on both sides

Telthia® Combination Tablets AP/BP “DSEP”



Double-sided inkjet printing
Same design on both sides

Entecavir Tablets 0.5mg “DSEP”



Double-sided inkjet printing
Same design on both sides
Shape and size identical to original
Improved photostability removes need for
dark storage
Manufacturing improvements enable
shelf-life of three years

Montelukast Chewable Tablets 5mg “DSEP”



Double-sided inkjet printing
Same design on both sides
Strawberry flavor to make ingestion
easy for children

Folate Tablets 25mg “DSEP”



Double-sided stamp pad printing
Same design on both sides
Film coating improves photostability of
tablets

(2) Innovative design of PTP sheets

Continuing formulation and labeling innovations reduce the burden on pharmacists seeking to avoid mistakes with drugs and prevent medical errors such as a patient taking the wrong medicine.

(A) Original, easily recognizable symbols

PTP sheets with original symbols based on formulation and disease characteristics.

(B) GS1 code for each tablet

A GS1 DataBar barcode is displayed on the back of the PTP sheet to reduce the burden on pharmacists seeking to avoid mistakes when dispensing.

GS1 DataBar Barcodes

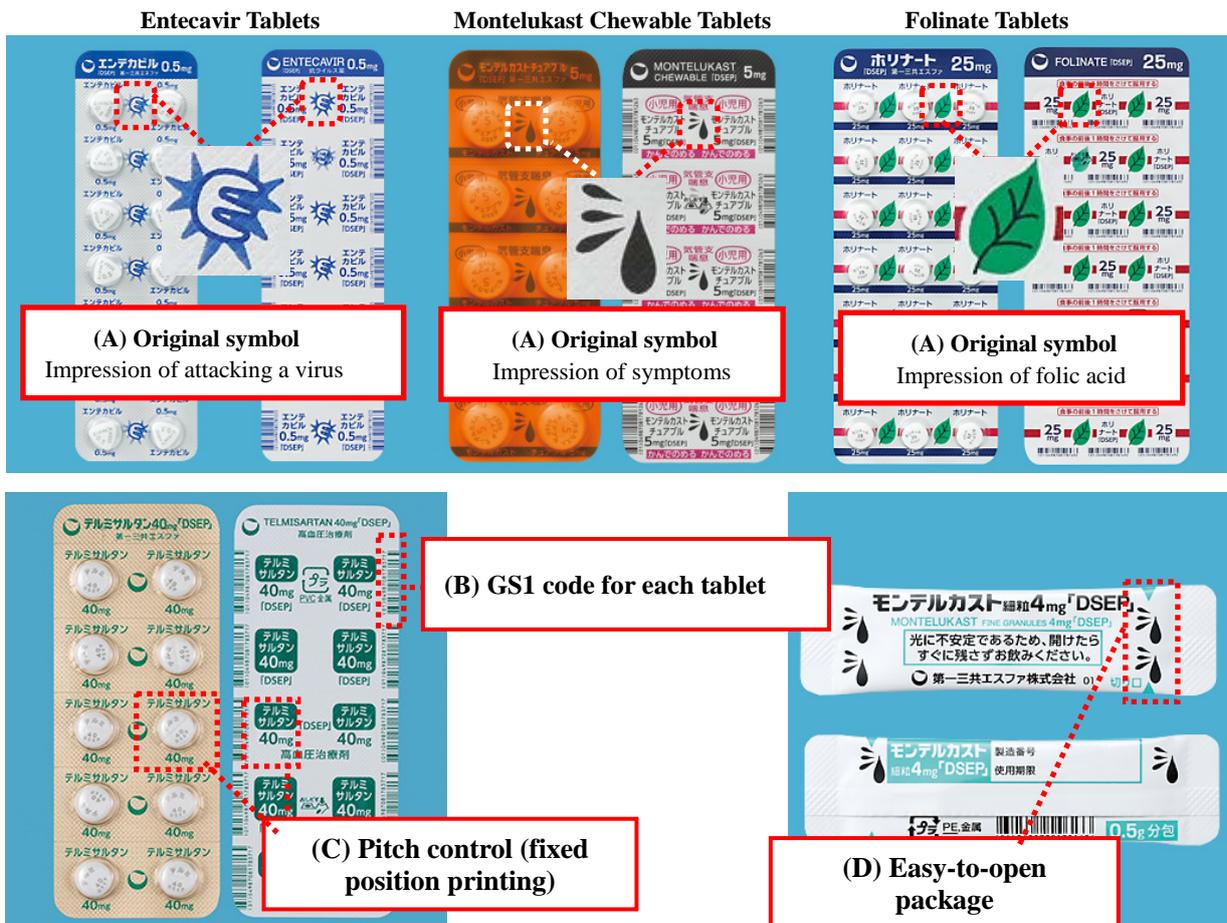
GS1 codes are a global standard adopted in 2010. DataBar barcodes are a GS1 code type that enables per sheet management of product name, content, volume and number of tablets.

(C) Pitch control (fixed position printing)

Facilitates identification of product name, active ingredient and the name “DSEP.”

(D) Other innovations

Montelukast Powder uses a rounded, easy-to-open stick package.



(3) Innovative Box Design

Some of the new products will be in “iPackage” boxes that make various types of information available for confirmation at the time of dispensing.

Telmisartan Tablets 40mg “DSEP” iPackage

The diagram illustrates the components of the Telmisartan Tablets 40mg “DSEP” iPackage. It features a main box with a red dashed border, a smaller box with a green dashed border, and a blue dashed box containing a QR code and a tablet image. Arrows point from these components to their respective descriptions.

Product Information Card
Detachable product information card (product name, expiration date, etc.) can be used as a product shelf label or to manage remaining sheets.

Variable Information Code
Variable information code containing expiration date and serial number data.

QR Code
Scanning QR code displays the latest package insert

Tablet Image
Allows checking appearance of tablet (both sides) before opening the package.

About Daiichi Sankyo Espha

Based on the spirit of the Daiichi Sankyo Group corporate mission* of supplying pharmaceuticals to address diverse medical needs, Daiichi Sankyo Espha provides innovative high value-added generic drugs characterized by ingenious formulations and labeling as well as authorized generic drugs, which are manufactured from the same substances and additives, with the same manufacturing methods, in the same plant as the original drugs. Daiichi Sankyo Espha strives to provide pharmaceuticals that offer users peace of mind by fulfilling the most important pharmaceutical criteria of quality, information, and stable supply while delivering the economic benefits of generic drugs.

*Daiichi Sankyo Group corporate mission: To contribute to the enrichment of quality of life around the world through the creation of innovative pharmaceuticals and through the provision of pharmaceuticals addressing diverse medical needs.

Daiichi Sankyo Espha Company Overview

Company name: Daiichi Sankyo Espha Co., Ltd.

Established: April 1, 2010

Business: Manufacture and sale of pharmaceuticals

Capital: 450 million yen

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