

USFDA approves generic version of GERD drug

The US Food and Drug Administration approved a generic version of rabeprazole sodium delayed-release tablets used to treat a chronic form of acid reflux disease called gastroesophageal reflux disease or GERD. Dr Reddy's Laboratories, Lupin, Mylan and Torrent are among the six Indian companies who received the approval. Mumbai-based Lupin said separately that it launched a 20-mg version of the drug. The medicine which was initially patented by Japan's Eisai had annual US sales of about \$864.3 million.

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