



NEWS RELEASE

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Voluntary recall of certain marijuana products due to possible Aspergillus contamination

Several Arizona marijuana establishments are voluntarily recalling specific products due to possible contamination with Aspergillus, a fungus that can cause allergic reactions or infection, usually in people already sick with something else.

The products being voluntarily recalled are Divinity and MAC from Grow Sciences and Gelato 41 from Soothing Options.

The Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS) is advising purchasers to dispose of the products described in the table below, which were found in laboratory tests to be positive for Aspergillus.

To date, no illnesses have been reported. This announcement is being made out of an abundance of caution. Patients who have purchased potentially contaminated products should not ingest, inhale, or otherwise consume them and should dispose of them. If you have already consumed any of the products and have any of the symptoms described below, please contact your healthcare provider or seek care in the event of an emergency.

ADHS Laboratory auditors were made aware of errors in testing results, leading to potentially false negative results for contaminants.

Once ADHS discovered the potential contamination, they contacted the facility that produced the products. The licensee took immediate action to work with all distribution and retail partners to remove any potentially impacted products from store shelves.

Testing requirements for marijuana products can be reviewed on Table 3.1 for each [9 A.A.C. 18 Adult-Use Marijuana Program](#) and [9 A.A.C. 17 Medical Marijuana Program](#).

Consumers may contact the dispensary or establishment where they purchased the products listed below if they have any questions.

SYMPTOMS

Aspergillus: Aspergillus can cause allergic reactions or infection, usually in people already sick with something else. Symptoms range from asthma or cold-like symptoms to fever and chest pain, among many others. A full list of symptoms can be found on the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) website:

<https://www.cdc.gov/fungal/diseases/aspergillosis/symptoms.html>

PRODUCTS

Cultivator	Product Name	Batch Number	Product Type	Implicated Contaminant
Grow Sciences	Divinity	H.DI230329.A11	Plant, Trim	Aspergillus
Grow Sciences	MAC	H.MA230324.A02	Plant, Trim	Aspergillus
Grow Sciences	MAC	H.MA230402.A06	Plant, Trim	Aspergillus
Soothing Options	Gelato 41	23667	Concentrates and Extracts	Aspergillus