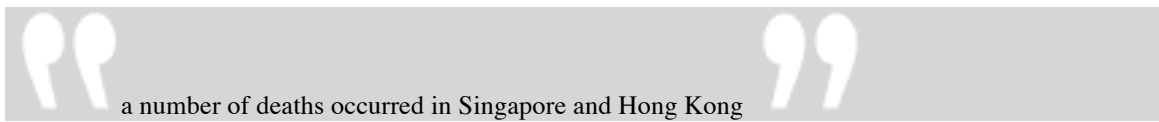


Over Of Half Online Viagra Is Fake And Dangerous

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A recent report funded by a number of pharmaceutical companies has concluded that over 50 percent of all erectile dysfunction medication sold online is in fact fake. The study which was done in Japan focused on Japanese and Thai websites and involved real purchases of the three erectile dysfunction meds Viagra, Cialis and Levitra.

In all orders were placed at over 60 different websites and the products were sent to a laboratory so that they could be checked for authenticity and their content could be scrutinised. Out of a total of 184 orders, 102 were found to be counterfeit. In some of the cases the fake medications contained twice as much of the active ingredient which could be extremely dangerous and even fatal to some men. Many of the fake drugs had no active compounds and also contained other potentially [dangerous chemicals](#).

Dr Ken Marumo from the [Tokyo Dental College Ichikawa General Hospital](#) one of the report authors explained that the reason why erectile dysfunction drugs sold so well on the internet was because it was an embarrassing condition and he urged people to be vigilant and only buy Viagra, Cialis and Levitra with a prescription. There has been more concern about fake erectile dysfunction medication in Asia after a number of deaths occurred in Singapore and Hong Kong and it is likely that many more men have died from fake drug related heart attacks.

Medical authorities all around the world are waking up to the dangers of fake medications and the [World Health Organisation](#) estimates that thousands of people every year die due to unscrupulous counterfeiters. The majority of fake medications are made in China and India in remote locations out of the reach of medical authorities. They are often posted to addresses in the UK, EU and the United States after the online orders are taken from websites which give the impression of being in these jurisdictions.

It is essential that individuals realise that the best way to check if their drugs are genuine is by making sure they come with a prescription, by getting the address of the dispensing pharmacy and even by contacting the manufacturer to check the batch numbers of the drug.

This can all be done using [Pharmacheck](#) at the Ukmedix web site.

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