

First generic version of cancer drug Doxil approved

February 4 2013

(HealthDay)—The first generic version of the cancer drug Doxil (doxorubicin hydrochloride liposome injection) has been approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, which says the action should help relieve shortages of the brand-name medication.

Doxil is on the agency's drug shortage list. The list empowers the FDA's Office of Generic Drugs to grant priority review to generic equivalents, the agency said Monday in a news release.

Noting that generics were of the same quality and strength as the original drugs, the FDA said: "Generic manufacturing and packaging sites must pass the same quality standards as those of brand-name drugs."

Generic Doxil will be produced by Sun Pharma Global FZE in 20 milligram and 50 milligram vials.

More information: Visit the [FDA](#) to learn more.

[Health News](#) Copyright © 2013 [HealthDay](#). All rights reserved.

Citation: First generic version of cancer drug Doxil approved (2013, February 4) retrieved 23 April 2024 from <https://medicalxpress.com/news/2013-02-version-cancer-drug-doxil.html>

This document is subject to copyright. Apart from any fair dealing for the purpose of private study or research, no part may be reproduced without the written permission. The content is

provided for information purposes only.