

Sales of Johnson's baby powder halted in U.S., Canada

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(HealthDay)—Lawsuits claiming that talc-based Johnson's Baby Powder

has caused cancer have led to a plunge in sales in the United States and Canada, so Johnson & Johnson said Tuesday it is ending sales of the product in those two countries.

The company said the talc-based powder is safe and will still be sold in other countries, the *Associated Press* reported.

About 19,400 lawsuits alleging that J&J's talcum powder caused [ovarian cancer](#) or mesothelioma have been launched against the company.

To date, J&J has won 12 cases and lost 15, and there have been seven mistrials. All of the lost cases have either been overturned on appeal or are still being appealed, the *AP* reported.

More information: [AP News Article](#)

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