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Heading	The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA)– Recall of Gold Medal, Gold Medal Wondra, and Signature Kitchens Flour in the US by General Mills due to possible contamination with <i>Escherichia coli</i> (<i>E. coli</i>).
The incident	<p>The FDA issued a notice regarding the recall of Gold Medal, Gold Medal Wondra, and Signature Kitchens Flour in the US by General Mills due to possible contamination with <i>Escherichia coli</i> (<i>E. coli</i>).</p> <p>Details of products being recalled are listed in the FDA website.</p>
Source	<p>FDA website</p> <p>http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm504235.htm</p>
Position of CFS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On 1 June 2016, the Centre for Food Safety (CFS), through its routine Food Incident Surveillance System, noted the announcement by FDA that General Mills Inc., an American manufacturer, is recalling several kinds of prepackaged flour as the product may be contaminated with <i>E. coli</i>. The CFS then immediately liaised with the US authorities, and followed up with General Mills Hong Kong Limited, the sole agent of the concerned product in Hong Kong. According to the information provided by the sole agent, two batches of the affected product have been imported into Hong Kong. Today CFS further identifies that another importer in Hong Kong has imported the affected batch products to Hong Kong but has never been released into local market. Information on product distribution outside the US is not available from the FDA website. CFS is still investigating whether other importers have imported the affected batches to Hong Kong and is contacting the U.S. authority for further information. Acquisition of the products through online purchase or

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	<p>international travel cannot be excluded.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Consumers should discard the products and not consume them.• CFS will remain vigilant and monitor for any new development and take appropriate actions when necessary.• Investigation by CFS is ongoing.• People will contract <i>E. coli</i> causing gastro-intestinal disease through consumption of contaminated water or undercooked and contaminated foods. Intestinal bleeding and serious complications such as hemolytic uraemic syndrome (HUS) may also develop in some people. Moreover, due to poor personal hygiene, person-to-person transmission of this pathogen is possible through oral-faecal route.
Additional information	<p>The CFS press release http://www.cfs.gov.hk/english/press/20160601_0543.html</p> <p>Food Alert http://www.cfs.gov.hk/cgi-bin/cfsnew/fa/foodalert_e.pl?record=139</p>

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