

# Drugmakers fined in U.S.

Britain's *GlaxoSmithKline* is the latest pharmaceutical giant hit with a record fine by the U.S. authorities



**GlaxoSmithKline**

■ **Jul 2012:** GlaxoSmithKline to pay \$3 billion for illegally promoting anti-depressants **Wellbutrin** and **Paxil**, and for failing to disclose safety data about diabetes drug **Avandia**

■ **Sep 2009:** **Pfizer Inc** pleads guilty to criminal charge relating to promotion of now-withdrawn **Bextra** pain medicine and 13 other drugs. Agrees to pay \$2.3 billion

■ **Jan 2009:** **Eli Lilly and Co** pays \$1.4 billion to settle probes into sales of **Zyprexa** schizophrenia drug for unapproved uses

■ **Sep 2008:** **Cephalon** agrees to pay \$425 million to settle allegations that it marketed three drugs for non-approved uses

■ **Feb 2008:** **Merck & Co** fined more than \$650 million over failure to pay healthcare rebates for cholesterol drug **Zocor** and pain reliever **Vioxx**

■ **Sep 2007:** **Bristol-Myers Squibb** pays more than \$510 million to settle charges of illegally marketing and pricing its products, and for alleged bribes to healthcare providers