

# Vitruvian Man

## Private Testosterone Service



## Underground Lab multi-use vials steroids safety

### 1. Shake the vial

Injectable steroids with an oil base should be completely dissolved. The vial should contain clear oil. Shaking the vial may produce bubbles, but the oil itself should remain clear. If the oil clouds up, there may be moisture (water) in the vial. This is a sign of poor assembly and may indicate an environment that is prone to bacterial growth.

### 2. Hold the vial up to the light

Shake it again. Did this stir up any particles? It shouldn't. Part of the steroid assembly process should have involved passing the final solution through a micro-fine filter. This should have eliminated any visible particles. If you see little specks floating around the vial, there is likely to be a problem.

### 3. Twist the neck of the vial

Does the top turn easily, or is it on tight? A loose vial stopper may let in air and bacteria from the outside. It may also be a sign the manufacturer rushed the job and not paying attention to detail. A worrying sign.

### 4. Ask around

Most underground labs build a reputation, good or bad. See what other people are saying.

Recently some labs have developed a poor reputation for a high infection rate.

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## Counterfeit Steroid Identification

### 1. Matching labels

Be suspicious of any box that carries a sticker rather than print. All labels will be uniform and straight on real products.

### 2. Unusual ampules

All ampules should be consistent in size and shape, do not leak, and look professional in appearance. Oil levels should be even and contain the quantity it states on the label.

### 3. Pill bottles

Not many legitimate products come in pill bottle form as they're regarded unsanitary. Most manufacturers package their tablets and capsules in foil or foil/plastic push-through strips.

As a rule pills are very easy to counterfeit.

### 4. Lot number/Date code printing

Stamped and printed separately on real products. This will be in different ink and indented as boxes and labels are manufactured in bulk with the lot number and expiry date applied at time of packaging.

### 5. Non-glossy surfaces

Often cheaply made and questionable if not glossy. Additionally many legitimate pharmaceutical companies will leave a small area on their boxes/labels that do not have a glossy surface. This area is often used for the printing of the lot number and expiry date, which can help prevent smearing of these vital numbers.

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