## 9 April 2014: Pharmaceutical laboratories - dawn raids

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The General Rapporteur of the Autorité de la concurrence confirms that dawn raids occurred on 8 April in the marketing sector for treatments to prevent AMD



On 8 April 2014, following authorisation from the liberty and custody judge, the investigation services of the Autorité de la concurrence raided companies suspected of having implemented anti-competitive practices in marketing anti-angiogenic drugs to prevent exsudative age-related macular degeneration (AMD).

Such interventions do not, of course, pre-suppose the guilt of the companies involved in the alleged practices, which only a full investigation into the merits of the case could establish, if appropriate.

## The investigation services of the Autorité de la concurrence

Due to the principle of separation between the investigative and the decision-making processes, the investigation services have been placed under the sole authority of the General Rapporteur.