

£50,000 bid in drug case

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A SECOND Sheffield resident is launching legal action against medical giants GlaxoSmithKline UK in a bid to net up to £50,000 in compensation.

The man, from Firth Park, claims he suffered undisclosed personal injuries after taking the widely prescribed anti-depressant drug Seroxat which is manufactured by the global company.

He is one of several hundred people, including a woman from Stannington, who are planning to sue the drug manufacturer, claiming their lives have been blighted by addiction to the anti-depressant.

Seroxat, also known as paroxetine, is designed to restore the taker's happiness and confidence.

But some users have claimed they became addicted to the medication while others say they experienced suicidal thoughts.

Solicitor Mark Harvey, who is acting for many of the claimants, said: "All the claimants allege that they tried to withdraw from Seroxat and have suffered discontinuation syndrome."

GlaxoSmithKline is contesting the legal action and a spokesman said there was "no merit" in the litigation.

The full article contains 171 words and appears in Sheffield Star newspaper.

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