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VERSION 8.4.0

Dear dm+d User,

**Advanced notice: Interesting Excipients authoring in dm+d to come to an end**

Further to feedback from dm+d users on the recent ‘Interesting’ excipient consultation (18/04/22 – 17/06/22) the dm+d Content Committee chaired by DHSC have approved the decision to end the authoring of the interesting excipient information in dm+d.

As long as testing goes to plan, the aim is to leave historical interesting excipient data present in dm+d for audit purposes etc. and to end date stamp the field on 30th September 2022. This will therefore be evident in the dm+d files posted in the public domain on Monday 10th October 2022.

**Two Historical Ingredient Strength Unit of Measure (UOM) Errors Found and Corrected**

For VMPs:

* Potassium chloride 0.3% (potassium 20mmol/500ml) / Glucose 10% / Sodium chloride 0.45% solution for infusion 500ml bottles

And

* Lidocaine 4% / Tetracaine 0.5% / Adrenaline (base) 0.1% gel

The historical ingredient strength Units of Measure (UOM) have been found to be incorrectly expressed as mg/litre. The ingredient strengths should be mg/ml.

These have been corrected

Nearly 4000 lines of data for similar UOMs have subsequently been checked on dm+d.

**Workpackage to Support Advisory Committee on Borderline Substances (ACBS) dietician experts and Impacts on SNOMED codes**

This is advanced notice that over the course of the next few months, in the region of 400 to 450 food substance AMPs will be invalidated and moved to different VMPs.

The NHSBSA is supporting an initiative by Advisory Committee on Borderline Substances (ACBS) dietician experts to improve the clinical categorisation / classification of food substances.

We are mindful that where new SNOMED codes are used that this can add challenges to EPS until prescribing and dispensing systems are aligned. We will therefore try to communicate changes as best we can but this will also need yourselves as dm+d users to please monitor this weekly communication and for system suppliers to please refresh and update your drug dictionary data with the most recent version of the dm+d files available.

More information will be communicated over the forthcoming weeks. In the meanwhile if you have any further questions, please email [nhsbsa.dmdenquiries@nhs.net](mailto:nhsbsa.dmdenquiries@nhs.net)

**DHSC require these concepts to be made available and visible (similar to licensed medicines) in prescribing and dispensing systems for the time being.**

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| **Specials/Imports added at request of DHSC to mitigate shortages in the supply chain** | | | |
| **AMP Name** | **AMP SNOMED Code** | **Import/Special** | **dm+d extract date** |
| Desmopressin 150micrograms/dose nasal spray | 38955011000001100 | Imported | 14/09/2020 |
| Desmopressin 150micrograms/dose nasal spray | 38996011000001101 | Special Order | 21/09/2020 |
| Cloral betaine 707mg tablets | 39069011000001104 | Imported | 12/10/2020 |
| Gynokadin 0.06% gel | 40714711000001102 | Imported (Germany) | 13/06/2022 |
| Oestraclin 0.06% gel | 40714911000001100 | Imported (Spain) | 13/06/2022 |
| Sandrena 1mg gel sachets | 40715411000001109 | Imported (Italy) | 13/06/2022 |
| Lenzetto 1.53mg/dose transdermal spray | 40715811000001106 | Imported (Poland) | 13/06/2022 |
| Ovestin 1mg cream | 40716111000001105 | Imported (Germany) | 13/06/2022 |
| Promethazine hydrochloride 25mg tablets | 40822911000001101 | Imported | 18/07/2022 |
| Alendronic acid 70mg tablets | 40855711000001108 | Imported | 01/08/2022 |
| Aripiprazole 10mg tablets | 40884711000001102 | Imported | 15/08/2022 |
| Voriconazole 200mg/5ml oral suspension | 40953011000001102 | Imported | 29/08/2022 |

**Invalidations**

None

**Advance Notice of Invalidations**

The following concept will be invalidated mid-Sept. The product was authored incorrectly and has been reauthored under a new VMP.

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| **Concept to be made Invalid** | **Replacement concepts** |
| **VMP** N/A | **VMP**  Amsacrine 75mg/1.5ml concentrate and solvent for solution for infusion vials |
| **VMP SNOMED ID** N/A | **VMP SNOMED ID** 40828911000001103 |
| **VMPP** N/A | **VMPP** 6 vial |
| **VMPP SNOMED ID** N/A | **VMPP SNOMED ID** 40828611000001109 |
| **AMP** Amsidine 75mg/1.5ml solution for infusion ampoules and dilutent (Eurocept International bv) | **AMP** Amsidine 75mg/1.5ml concentrate and solvent for solution for infusion vials (Eurocept International bv) |
| **AMP SNOMED ID** 24403811000001102 | **AMP SNOMED ID** 40828711000001100 |
| **AMPP** 6 ampoule | **AMPP** 6 vial |
| **AMPP SNOMED ID** 24403911000001107 | **AMPP SNOMED ID** 40828811000001108 |

The following concepts will be invalidated mid-Sept. The packs have been reauthored under new AMPs.

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| **Concept to be made Invalid** | **Replacement concepts** |
| **AMP** Dulcolax Adult 5mg gastro-resistant tablets (Sanofi)(AMP not being invalidated) | **AMP** Dulcolax Twelve Plus 5mg gastro-resistant tablets (Sanofi) |
| **AMP SNOMED ID** N/A | **AMP SNOMED ID** 40845911000001107 |
| **AMPP** 40 tablet 100 tablet | **AMPP** 40 tablet 100 tablet |
| **AMPP SNOMED ID** 1353471100000110613534011000001109 | **AMPP SNOMED ID** 4084601100000110440846111000001103 |

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| **Concept to be made Invalid** | **Replacement concepts** |
| **AMP** Dulcolax Pico Adult 5mg/5ml liquid (Sanofi)(AMP not being invalidated) | **AMP** Dulcolax Pico Twelve Plus 5mg/5ml liquid (Sanofi) |
| **AMP SNOMED ID** N/A | **AMP SNOMED ID** 40846211000001109 |
| **AMPP** 300ml | **AMPP** 300ml |
| **AMPP SNOMED ID** 2489811000001109 | **AMPP SNOMED ID** 40846311000001101 |

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