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Dear dm+d User,

**Methylphenidate long-acting (modified-release) preparations**

Further to the following Drug Safety Update: [Methylphenidate long-acting (modified-release) preparations: caution if switching between products due to differences in formulations - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)](https://www.gov.uk/drug-safety-update/methylphenidate-long-acting-modified-release-preparations-caution-if-switching-between-products-due-to-differences-in-formulations) we have now applied the VMP Prescribing Status ‘Caution – AMP level prescribing advised’ to all the Methylphenidate modified release VMPs regardless, to encourage universal AMP prescribing for Methylphenidate modified release concepts which is a safe thing to do.

**B.Braun Medical Ltd Global Trade Item Numbers (GTINs)**

With regret we have chosen to end the GTINs reported on dm+d for B.Braun Medical Ltd product packs with immediate effect.

**Update Re: 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.

The change will be evident in the dm+d files posted in the public domain on Monday 24th October 2022. ‘Interesting’ excipient data will not be visible to dm+d users from this date.

If you have any questions, please contact [nhsbsa.dmdenquiries@nhs.net](mailto:nhsbsa.dmdenquiries@nhs.net)

**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 |
| Aripiprazole 10mg tablets | 40884711000001102 | Imported | 15/08/2022 |
| Voriconazole 200mg/5ml oral suspension | 40953011000001102 | Imported | 29/08/2022 |
| Temazepam 10mg tablets | 41082311000001100 | Imported | 03/10/2022 |

**Invalidations**

None.

**Advance Notice of Invalidations**

The following concept will be invalidated mid-Oct. The pack was added erroneously.

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| **Concept to be made Invalid** | **Replacement concepts** |
| **AMP** Curatil Prolonged Release 200mg tablets (Tillomed Laboratories Ltd)(AMP not being invalidated) | **AMP** Curatil Prolonged Release 200mg tablets (Tillomed Laboratories Ltd) |
| **AMP SNOMED ID** 40922211000001102 | **AMP SNOMED ID** 40922211000001102 |
| **AMPP** 100 tablet | **AMPP** 56 tablet |
| **AMPP SNOMED ID** 40922411000001103 | **AMPP SNOMED ID** 40996611000001109 |

The following concept will be invalidated mid-Oct. This product has been authored under a new VMP.

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| **Concept to be made Invalid** | **Replacement concepts** |
| **VMP** N/A | **VMP** Magnesium carbonate 500mg capsules |
| **VMP SNOMED ID** N/A | **VMP SNOMED ID** 41066111000001100 |
| **VMPP** N/A | **VMPP** 30 capsules |
| **VMPP SNOMED ID** N/A | **VMPP SNOMED ID** 41033211000001107 |
| **AMP** MagnaCarb 500mg capsules (TriOn Pharma Ltd) | **AMP** MagnaCarb 500mg capsules (TriOn Pharma Ltd) |
| **AMP SNOMED ID** 37072711000001105 | **AMP SNOMED ID** 41033311000001104 |
| **AMPP** 30 capsules | **AMPP** 30 capsules |
| **AMPP SNOMED ID** 37072811000001102 | **AMPP SNOMED ID** 41033411000001106 |

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