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# **Substances and the ISO Identification of Medicinal Product (IDMP) Standards**

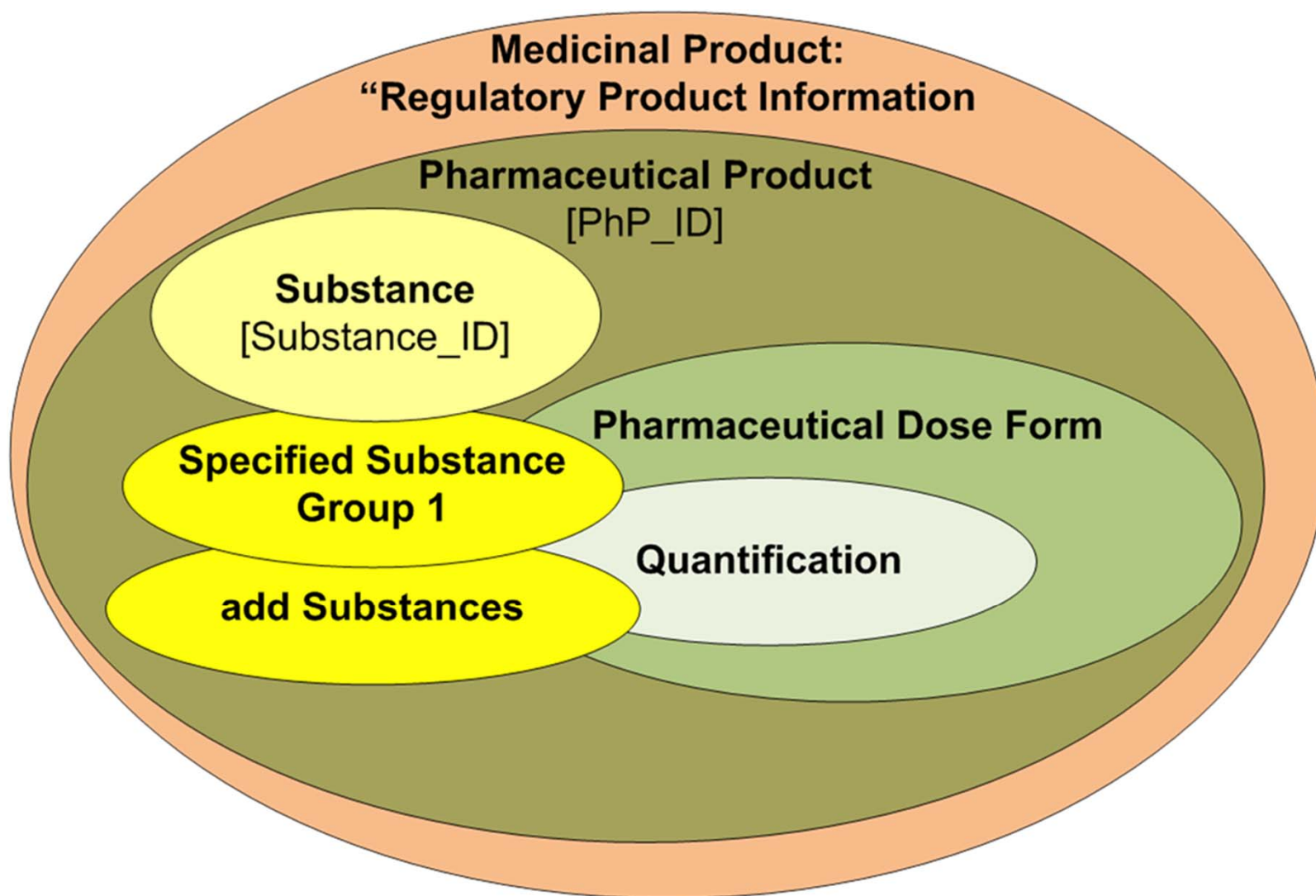


# Substances In Regulatory Practice

- Substances form the essence or basis of every product
- Interactions between substances are responsible for nearly all pharmacological activity.
- Substances are a lynchpin on which to organize regulatory information but many regulatory agencies only identify/define them by names or codes
- Names and codes are not sufficient to fully define or relate substances to one another, clinical trials, products or adverse events.
- Regulatory agencies need to be able to define substances scientifically in an unambiguous manner
- ISO 11238 (IDMP) provides a framework for defining all substances and related regulatory information



# IDMP Model





# What is a Substance

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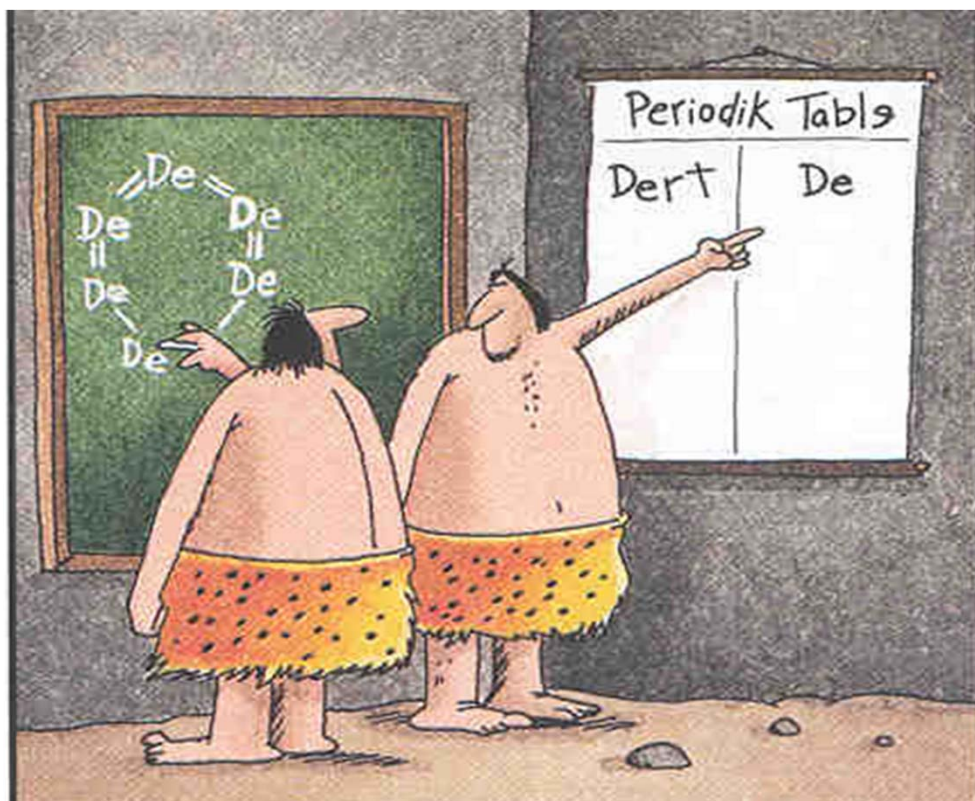


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# What is a Substance



**Early Chemists  
describe the first  
DIRT MOLECULE**  
(The Far Side by Gary  
Larson)





# What is a Substance: ISO 11238

- A Substance is defined based on **what something is** and not on how it is made or used
  - Recombinant Salmon Calcitonin is the same substance as Synthetic Salmon Calcitonin
- A Substance is defined based on **immutable properties** independent of physical form, grade or level or purity
  - Most chemicals are defined by molecular structure
  - Proteins by their sequence and type of glycosylation
  - Complex materials from biological matrices that cannot be defined by a limited number of related chemical structures will be defined based on taxonomic, anatomical and limited fractionation information



# Substances (ISO IDMP)

- Five groups of elements are used to describe single substances.
  - Chemicals
    - Defined primarily by molecular structure (connectivity and stereochemistry)
  - Proteins
    - Amino Sequence, type of glycosylation, modifications
  - Nucleic Acids
    - Sequence, type of sugar and linkage, modifications
  - Polymers (Synthetic or biopolymers)
    - Structural repeating units, type, geometry, type of copolymer (block or random), ratio of monomers, modifications, molecular weight or properties related to molecular weight,
  - Structurally Diverse Substances
    - Taxonomic, anatomical, fractionation, physical properties, modifications





# Need for Specified Substance

- Need to tie material to a manufacturer and a process
- Need to tie material to a specific grade
- Need to obtain specification information
- Need to obtain information about processing materials
- Need to establish and monitor the supply chain



# Specified Substance

- To be implemented with the GlnAS Application
- An explicit grouping of elements and concepts put forward in ISO IDMP
  - Group-1 Multiple substance materials (Coatings, Colorants, Flavorants); Physical Form; Extracts
  - Group-2 Manufacturer and minimal manufacturing information
  - Group-3 Grade of material (USP, EP, technical, standardized etc.)
  - Group-4 Detailed manufacturing information, impurities, degradents etc.



# Need for a Global Database

- Global marketplace for ingredients requires a global system to monitor the global supply chain
- Global database means better data, less redundancy, more data, less mapping
- ISO 11238 has recently been developed to describe substances/specified substances in medicinal products, easily extendable to foods, dietary supplements already in scope
- Complex, expensive to implement a system based on 11238 on an individual basis may prevent adoption of standard
- Safety analysis based on substances with global data
- Better coordination of regulatory activity and clinical trials (inspections, specifications, drug shortages)
- Standards/Specifications can converge more rapidly



# GlnAS Goals

- To develop and deploy an information system that can serve as a global repository for definitional, regulatory and scientific information on substances Establish a consortium of regulators and other international organizations to manage and govern the repository;
- To develop and distribute a global identifier for every substance in medicinal products and clinical trials;
- To distribute an information system for both regulators, companies and other interested parties to facilitate registration that is compliant with ISO 11238;
- Produce a Unique Identifier for each substance (UNII)



# GlnAS Vision

- Substance should eventually be registered prior to any submission
- An Unique Identifier should be permanently associated with each registered substance
- UNIs will be used to develop meaningful relationships between substances and submissions (impurities, metabolites, targets, specified substances and products).
- SPL-like process to obtain and exchange information related to substances.
- UNIs will be used to link data both within and outside the FDA (USP, NLM, EMA, PCPC, Martindale, Merck Index, Wikipedia)



# GInAS History

- Grew Out of a Meeting Hosted by USP and NCATs (NIH) in February 2013
- 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting hosted in the CBG in Netherlands (September 2013)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting hosted at USP (June 2014)
- Uses Software Developed by NIH/NCATs
- GInAS Prototype hosted at Health Canada
- Canadian, Dutch, German, Japan, Swiss, and US regulators, EDQM and USP have involved in the development of the system and standard
- Software can be deployed locally (Each regulator/company can have their own independent system using NCATS software and public data)
- System will be distributed by NCATs with a large set of public domain data and updated periodically



# GlnAS Data Integration

- Data That Should be Linked Substances
  - INDs, NDAs, BLAs, CFR's; Orphan Drug Applications
  - Products that Contain Each Substance
  - Pharmacological Classification
  - Active Moieties, Related Moieties and Salts
  - LADMER
    - Metabolites
    - Metabolic Enzymes, Transporters, and Effects
    - Drug target (therapeutic and other), type of interaction
    - Solubility and Permeability (BCS)
    - Protein Binding
  - Biomarkers
  - Impurities and Related Substances





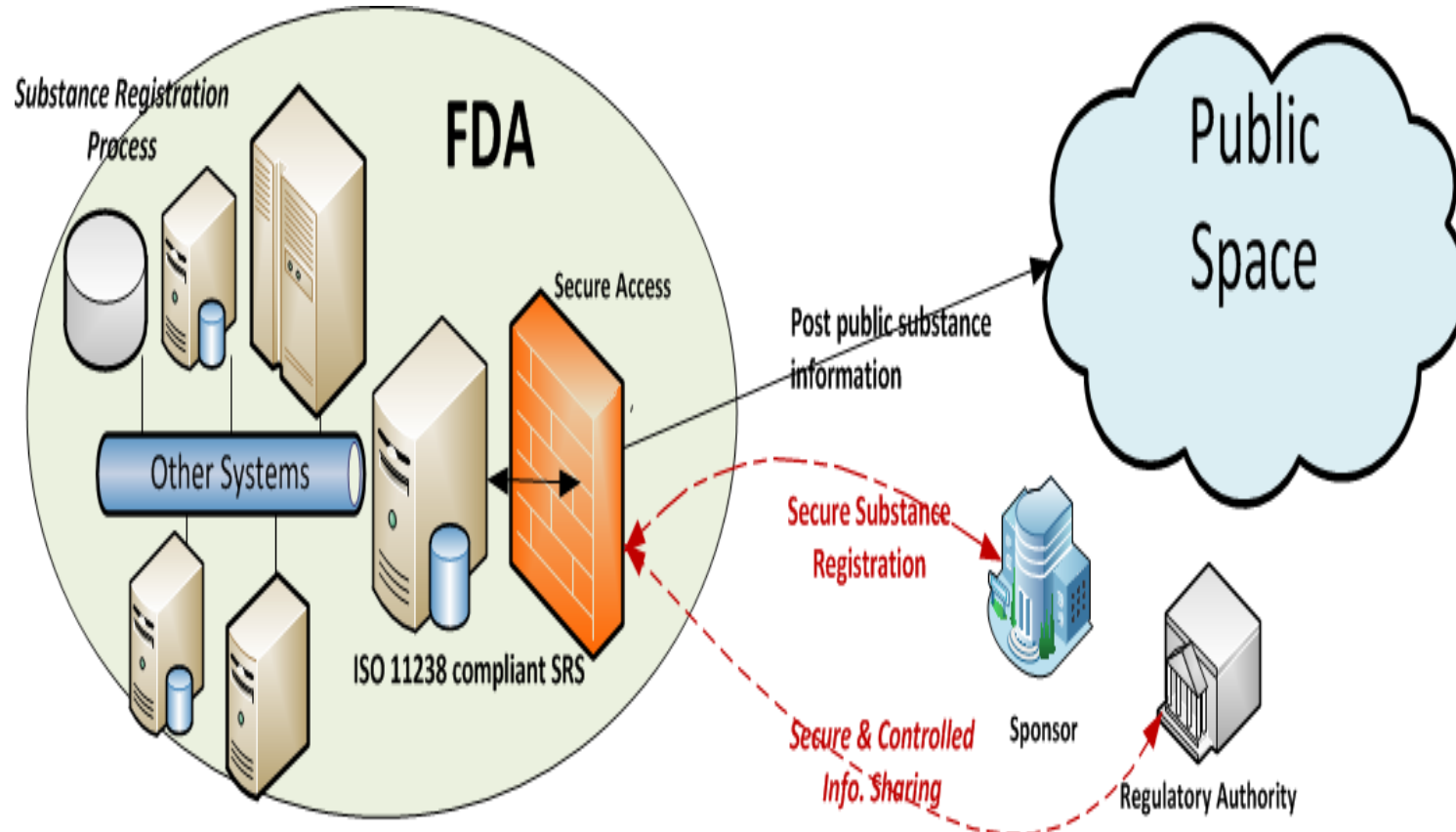
# GInAS System

- Data entered through an API
- Predominantly open source
- Web-based
- Complies with the 11238 substance model
- Freely distributable
  - Regulators
  - Companies
- Database Neutral
- Works with a number of web applications server
  - Glassfish, Tomcat, Weblogic
- Java-based
- Restful Interface
- Lucene Indexing



# How Can GInAS Work

## – GINAS and FDA





# Progress so Far

- Prototype system deployed at Health Canada
  - <http://ginas.hres.ca/ginas/>
  - User: tester
  - Password: ginastest
- First Version of Modules for all five types of substances, mixtures and group 1 specified substance completed.
- System is being deployed within FDA Environment
- NCATS provided a distributable system at June meeting at USP.
- Second Version of System Distributed February 2015
- Migration of some public data has already occurred



# GInAS

- Health Canada Prototype
  - <http://ginas.hc.ircan-rican.org/ginass/>
  - User: tester
  - Password: ginastest
- Version changes often
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- System presentations and functional designs
- <https://tripod.nih.gov/pub/ginass>
- Next meeting/workshop will be held in Summer 2015 and will feature a production-ready release



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