Appendices

Appendix 1

Glossary of terms used in formulations

Application A liquid or semi-liquid preparation intended for application to

the skin.

Bougie - nasal A solid dosage form intended for insertion into the nostril. Bougie – urethral A solid dosage form intended for insertion into the urethra. Cachet An oral preparation consisting of dry powder enclosed in a

shell of rice paper.

An oral preparation consisting of a medicament enclosed in a Capsule

shell, usually of gelatin basis. Soft gelatin capsules are used to

enclose liquids and hard capsules to enclose solids.

Cream A semi-solid emulsion intended for application to the skin. The

emulsion may be an oil-in-water emulsion (aqueous creams) or

A liquid preparation intended for introduction into the vagina.

water-in-oil type (oily creams).

Douche - nasal

Draught

Douche

A liquid preparation intended for introduction into the nostril. A liquid oral preparation of fairly small volume and usually

consisting of one dose.

A liquid preparation in which the quantity to be used at any **Drops**

> one time is so small that it is measured as a number of drops, e.g. in a small pipette. Drops may comprise an oral preparation, usually paediatric, or may be intended for introduction into the nose, ear or eye, where the title of the product is amended

accordingly.

Dusting powder A preparation consisting of one or more substances in fine

powder intended for the application to intact skin.

Elivir An aromatic liquid preparation including a high proportion

> of alcohol, glycerine, propylene glycol or other solvent, and intended for the oral administration of potent or nauseous

medicaments, in a small dose volume.

Emulsion As a preparation, this term is generally restricted to an oil-in-

water preparation intended for internal use.

An aqueous or oily solution or suspension intended for rectal Enema

administration.

Gargle An aqueous solution, usually in concentrated form, intended

for the treatment of the membranous lining of the throat.

Granules A dry preparation in which each granule consists of a mixture

of the ingredients in the correct proportions.