

International Nonproprietary Names for Pharmaceutical Substances

In accordance with article 3 of the Procedure for the Selection of Recommended International Nonproprietary Names for Pharmaceutical Substances,¹ notice is hereby given that the following names are under consideration by the World Health Organization as Proposed International Nonproprietary Names.

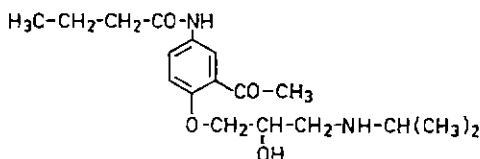
Comments on, or formal objections to, the

proposed names may be forwarded by any person to the Pharmaceuticals unit of the World Health Organization within four months of the date of their publication in the *WHO Chronicle*.

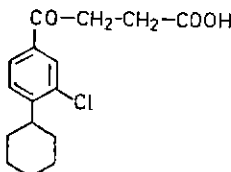
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PROPOSED INTERNATIONAL NONPROPRIETARY NAMES (*Prop. I.N.N.*): LIST 28²

<i>Proposed International Nonproprietary Name</i> (Latin, English)	<i>Chemical Name or Description, Molecular and Graphic Formulae</i>
acebutololum acebutolol	3'-acetyl-4'-[2-hydroxy-3-(isopropylamino)propoxy]butyranilide $C_{18}H_{28}N_2O_4$



acidum buclocicum buclocic acid	3-(3-chloro-4-cyclohexylbenzoyl)propionic acid $C_{16}H_{19}ClO_3$
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¹ See Annex, p. 23

² Other lists of proposed international nonproprietary names can be found in *Chron. Wld Hlth Org.*, 1953, 7, 299; 1954, 8, 216, 313; 1956, 10, 28; 1957, 11, 231; 1958, 12, 102; *WHO Chronicle*, 1959, 13, 105, 152; 1960, 14, 168, 244; 1961, 15, 314; 1962, 16, 385; 1963, 17, 389; 1964, 18, 433; 1965, 19, 446; 1966, 20, 216; 1967, 21, 70, 478; 1968, 22, 112, 407; 1969, 23, 183, 418; 1970, 24, 119, 413; 1971, 25, 123, 415; 1972, 26, 121.

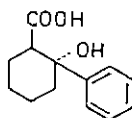
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acidum cicloxilicum
cicloxilic acid

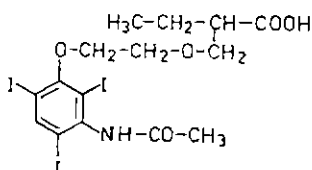
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trans-2-hydroxy-2-phenylcyclohexanecarboxylic acid
 $C_{13}H_{16}O_3$



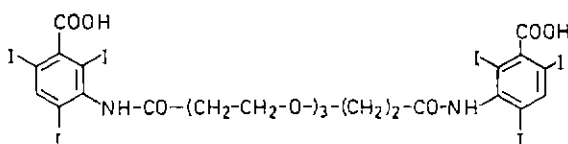
acidum iopronicum
iopronic acid

2-[[2-(3-acetamido-2,4,6-triiodophenoxy)ethoxy]methyl]butyric acid
 $C_{15}H_{18}I_3NO_5$



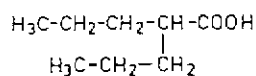
acidum iotranicum
iotranic acid

3,3'-[oxybis(ethyleneoxyethylenecarbonylimino)]bis[2,4,6-triiodobenzoic acid]
 $C_{24}H_{22}I_6N_2O_9$



acidum valproicum
valproic acid

2-propylvaleric acid
 $C_8H_{16}O_2$

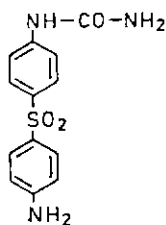


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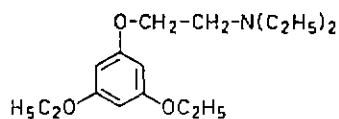
amidapsonum
amidapsona

(*p*-sulfanilylphenyl)urea
 $C_{13}H_{13}N_3O_3S$



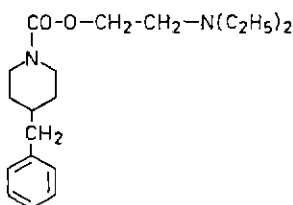
amifloverinum
amifloverine

2-(3,5-diethoxyphenoxy)triethylamine
 $C_{16}H_{27}NO_3$



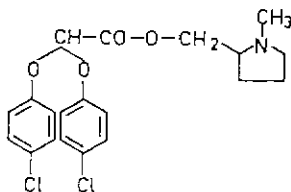
benrixatum
benrixate

4-benzyl-1-piperidinecarboxylic acid, 2-(diethylamino)ethyl ester
 $C_{19}H_{30}N_2O_2$



biclofibratum
biclofibrate

bis(*p*-chlorophenoxy)acetic acid, 1-methyl-2-pyrrolidinylmethyl ester
 $C_{20}H_{21}Cl_2NO_4$

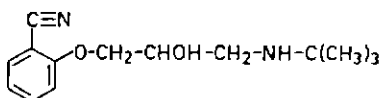


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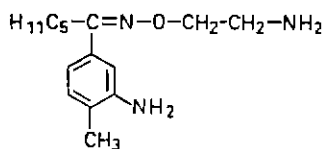
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bunitrolol

o-[3-(*tert*-butylamino)-2-hydroxypropoxy]benzonitrile
C₁₄H₂₀N₂O₂



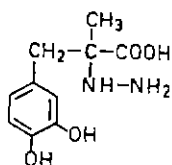
caproxaminum
caproxamine

3'-amino-4'-methylhexanophenone *O*-(2-aminoethyl)oxime
C₁₅H₂₅N₃O



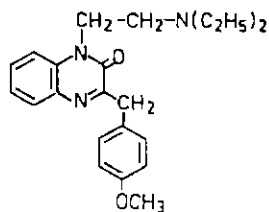
carbidopum
carbidopa

α -hydrazino-3,4-dihydroxy- α -methylhydrocinnamic acid
C₁₀H₁₄N₂O₄



caroverinum
caroverine

1-[2-(diethylamino)ethyl]-3-(*p*-methoxybenzyl)-2(1*H*)-quinoxaline
C₂₂H₂₇N₃O₂

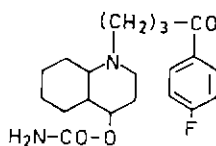


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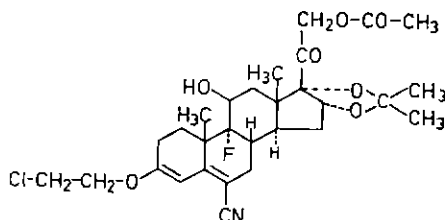
cicarperonum
cicarperone

4'-fluoro-4-(octahydro-4-hydroxy-1(2*H*)-quinolyl)butyrophenone
carbamate (ester)
 $C_{20}H_{27}FN_2O_3$



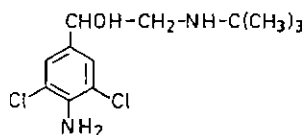
cicortonidum
cicortonide

3-(2-chloroethoxy)-9-fluoro-11 β ,16 α ,17,21-tetrahydroxy-
20-oxopregna-3,5-diene-6-carbonitrile, cyclic 16,17-acetal with
acetone, 21-acetate
 $C_{29}H_{37}ClFNO_7$



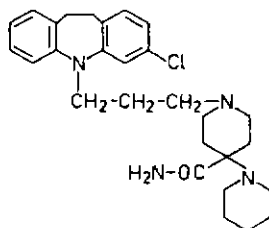
clenbuterolum
clenbuterol

4-amino- α -[(*tert*-butylamino)methyl]-3,5-dichlorobenzyl alcohol
 $C_{12}H_{18}Cl_2N_2O$



clocapraminum
clocapramine

1'-[3-(3-chloro-10,11-dihydro-5*H*-dibenz[*b,f*]azepin-5-yl)propyl]-
[1,4'-bipiperidine]-4'-carboxamide
 $C_{28}H_{37}ClN_4O$

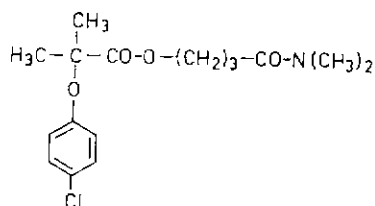


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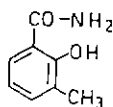
clofibridum
clofibrate

2-(*p*-chlorophenoxy)-2-methylpropionic acid, ester with
4-hydroxy-*N,N*-dimethylbutyramide
 $C_{16}H_{22}ClNO_4$



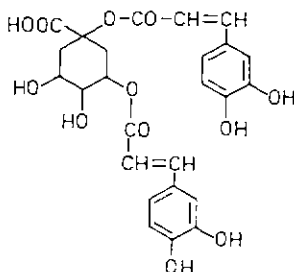
cresotamidum
cresotamide

2,3-cresotamide
 $C_8H_9NO_2$



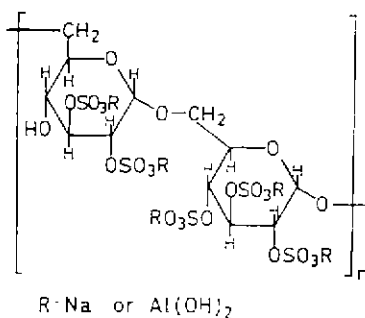
cynarinum
cynarine

3,4-dihydrocinnamic acid, 1-carboxy-4,5-dihydroxy-
1,3-cyclohexylene ester
 $C_{25}H_{24}O_{12}$



dextralfatum
dextralfate

dextran sulfate, sodium salt, aluminum complex

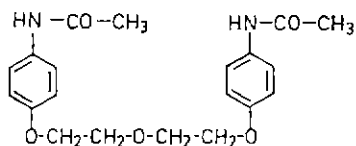


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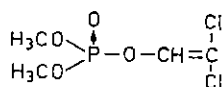
diamfenetidum
diamfenetide

β,β' -oxybis[*p*-acetophenetidine]
 $C_{20}H_{24}N_2O_5$



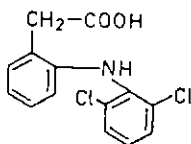
dichlorvosum
dichlorvos

2,2-dichlorovinyl dimethyl phosphate
 $C_4H_7Cl_2O_4P$



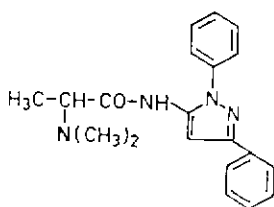
diclofenacum
diclofenac

[*o*-(2,6-dichloroanilino)phenyl]acetic acid
 $C_{14}H_{11}Cl_2NO_2$



difamizolum
difamizole

2-(dimethylamino)-*N*-(1,3-diphenylpyrazol-5-yl)propionamide
 $C_{26}H_{22}N_4O$



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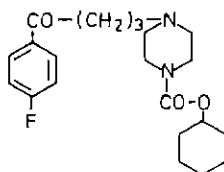
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eledoisinum
eledoisin

5-oxo-L-prolyl-L-prolyl-L-seryl-L-lysyl-L-aspartyl-L-alanyl-
L-phenylalanyl-L-isoleucylglycyl-L-leucyl-L-methioninamide or
5-oxo-L-Pro-L-Pro-L-Ser-L-Lys-L-Asp-L-Ala-L-Phe-L-Ile-Gly-
L-Leu-L-Met-NH₂
C₅₄H₈₅N₁₃O₁₅S

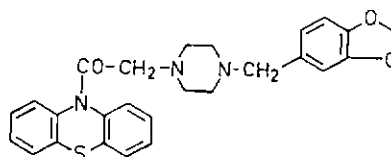
fenaperonum
fenaperone

4-[3-(*p*-fluorobenzoyl)propyl]-1-piperazinecarboxylic acid, cyclo-
hexyl ester
C₂₁H₂₉FN₂O₃



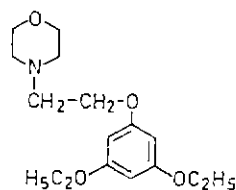
fenoverinum
fenoverine

10-[(4-piperonyl-1-piperazinyl)acetyl]phenothiazine
C₂₆H₂₅N₃O₃S



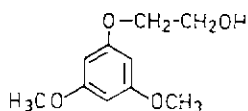
floredilum
floredil

4-[2-(3,5-diethoxyphenoxy)ethyl]morpholine
C₁₈H₂₅NO₄



floverinum
flowerine

2-(3,5-dimethoxyphenoxy)ethanol
C₁₀H₁₄O₄

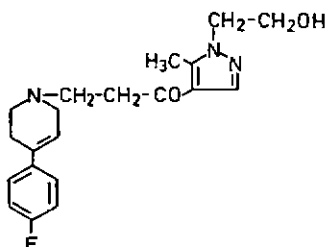


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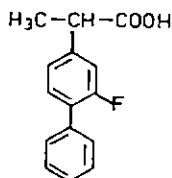
flupranonum
flupranone

3-[4-(*p*-fluorophenyl)-3,6-dihydro-1(2*H*)-pyridyl]-1-[1-(2-hydroxyethyl)-5-methylpyrazol-4-yl]-1-propanone
 $C_{20}H_{24}FN_3O_2$



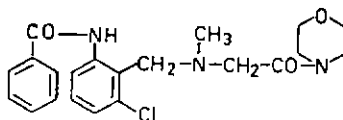
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flurbiprofen

2-fluoro- α -methyl-4-biphenylacetic acid
 $C_{15}H_{13}FO_2$



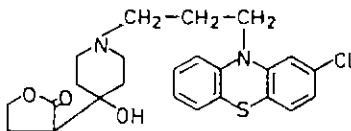
fominobennum
fominoben

3'-chloro- α -[methyl[(morpholinocarbonyl)methyl]amino]-*o*-benzotoluidide
 $C_{21}H_{24}ClN_3O_3$



furomazinum
furomazine

3-[1-[3-(2-chlorophenothiazin-10-yl)propyl]-4-hydroxy-4-piperidyl]dihydro-2(3*H*)-furanone
 $C_{24}H_{27}ClN_2O_3S$

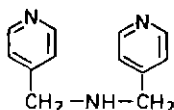


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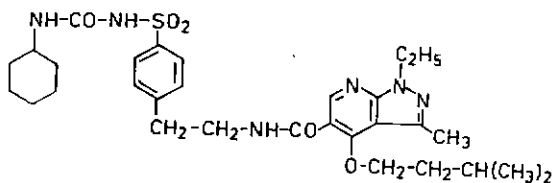
gapicominum
gapicomine

4,4'-(iminodimethylene)dipyridine
 $C_{12}H_{13}N_3$



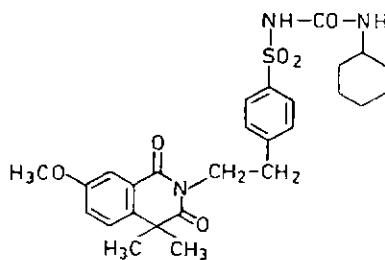
glicaramidum
glicaramide

1-cyclohexyl-3-[[p-[2-[1-ethyl-4-(isopentyloxy)-3-methyl-1H-pyrazolo[3,4-b]pyridine-5-carboxamido]ethyl]phenyl]sulfonyl]urea
 $C_{30}H_{42}N_6O_5S$



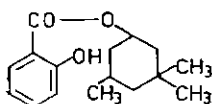
gliquidonum
gliquidone

1-cyclohexyl-3-[[p-[2-(3,4-dihydro-7-methoxy-4,4-dimethyl-1,3-dioxo-2(1H)-isoquinolyl)ethyl]phenyl]sulfonyl]urea
 $C_{27}H_{33}N_3O_6S$



homosalatum
homosalate

3,3,5-trimethylcyclohexyl salicylate
 $C_{16}H_{22}O_3$

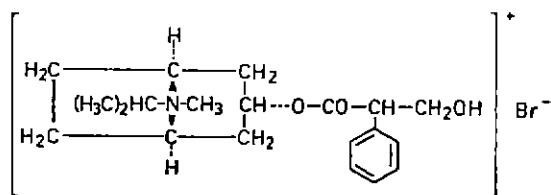


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ipratropii bromidum
ipratropium bromide

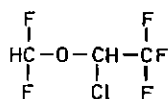
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3 α -hydroxy-8-isopropyl-1 α H,5 α H-tropanium bromide (\pm)-tropate
C₂₀H₃₀BrNO₃



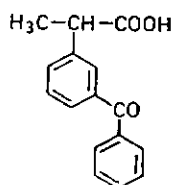
isofluranum
isoflurane

1-chloro-2,2,2-trifluoroethyl difluoromethyl ether
C₃H₂ClF₅O



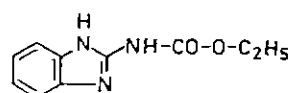
ketoprofenum
ketoprofen

m-benzoylhydratropic acid
C₁₆H₁₄O₃



lobendazolum
lobendazole

ethyl 2-benzimidazolecarbamate
C₁₀H₁₁N₃O₂

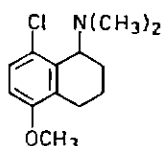


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lometralinum
lometraline

8-chloro-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-5-methoxy-*N,N*-dimethyl-1-naphthyl-
amine
 $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO$

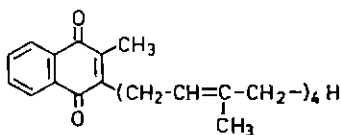


macrisalbum (^{131}I)
macrisalb (^{131}I)

macroaggregated iodinated (^{131}I)
human albumin

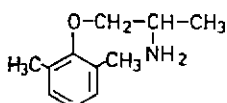
menatetrenonum
menatetrenone

2-methyl-3-(3,7,11,15-tetramethyl-2,6,10,14-hexadecatetraenyl)-
1,4-naphthoquinone
 $C_{31}H_{40}O_2$



mexiletinum
mexiletine

1-methyl-2-(2,6-xylyloxy)ethylamine
 $C_{11}H_{17}NO$

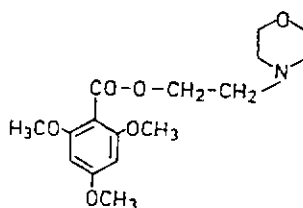


mocimycinum
mocimycin

an antibiotic obtained from cultures of *Streptomyces ramocissimus*
or the same substance obtained by any other means.

mofloverinum
mofloverine

2,4,6-trimethoxybenzoic acid, 2-morpholinoethyl ester
 $C_{16}H_{23}NO_6$

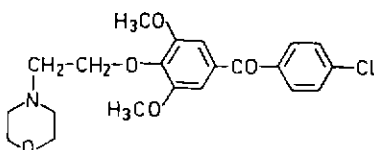


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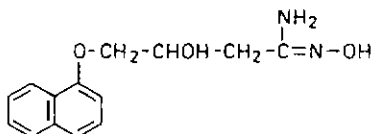
morclofonum
morclofone

4'-chloro-3,5-dimethoxy-4-(2-morpholinoethoxy)benzophenone
 $C_{21}H_{24}ClNO_5$



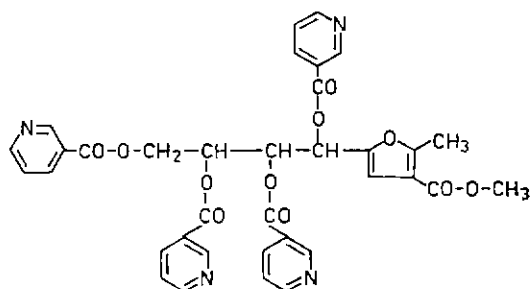
nadoxololum
nadoxolol

3-hydroxy-4-(1-naphthyloxy)butyramidoxime
 $C_{14}H_{16}N_2O_3$



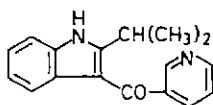
nicofuratum
nicofurate

2-methyl-5-(D-arabino-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroxybutyl)-3-furoic acid
methyl ester, tetranicotinate
 $C_{35}H_{28}N_4O_{11}$



nictindolum
nictindole

2-isopropylindol-3-yl 3-pyridyl ketone
 $C_{17}H_{16}N_2O$



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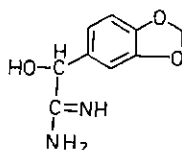
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ocrase

fibrinolytic enzyme derived from *Aspergillus ochraceus*

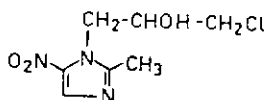
olmidinum
olmidine

3,4-(methylenedioxy)mandelamine
 $C_9H_{10}N_2O_3$



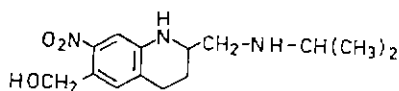
ornidazolum
ornidazole

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 $C_7H_{10}ClN_3O_3$



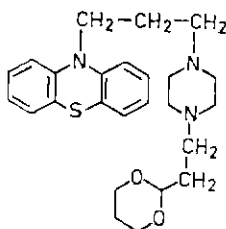
oxamniquinum
oxamniquine

1,2,3,4,-tetrahydro-2-[(isopropylamino)methyl]-7-nitro-6-quinolinemethanol
 $C_{14}H_{21}N_3O_3$



oxaprazinum
oxaprazine

10-[3-[4-(2-*m*-dioxan-2-yl)ethyl]-1-piperazinyl]propyl]pheno-
thiazine
 $C_{25}H_{33}N_3O_2S$

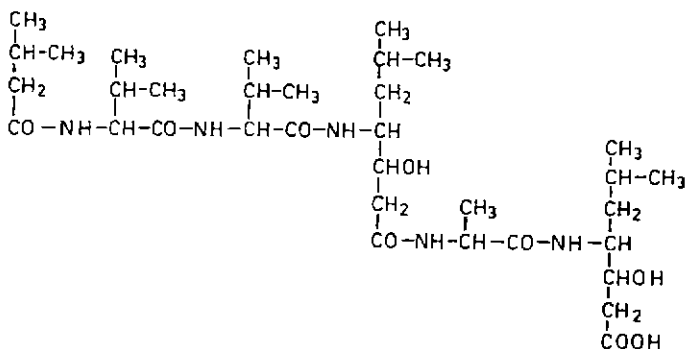


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pepstatin

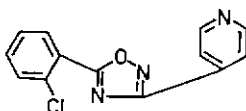
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isovaleryl-L-valyl-L-valyl-4-amino-3-hydroxy-6-methylheptanoyl-
L-alanyl-4-amino-3-hydroxy-6-methylheptanoic acid
 $C_{34}H_{63}N_5O_9$



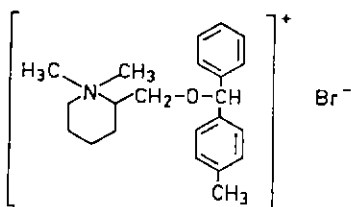
pifexolum
pifexole

4-[5-(*o*-chlorophenyl)-1,2,4-oxadiazol-3-yl]pyridine
 $C_{13}H_8ClN_3O$



pirdonii bromidum
pirdonium bromide

1,1-dimethyl-2-[[(*p*-methyl- α -phenylbenzyl)oxy]methyl]pipe-
ridinium bromide
 $C_{22}H_{30}BrNO$

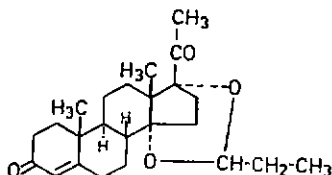


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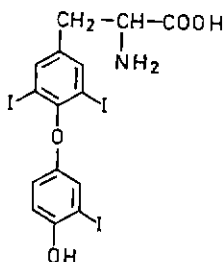
proligestonum
proligestone

14,17-dihydroxypregn-4-ene-3,20-dione, cyclic acetal with propionaldehyde
 $C_{24}H_{34}O_4$



rathyroninum
rathyrone

DL-3-[4-(4-hydroxy-3-iodophenoxy)-3,5-diiodophenyl]alanine
 $C_{15}H_{12}I_3NO_4$

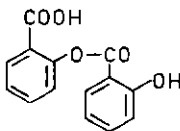


renactidum
renactide

1-glycine-18-L-argininamide- α^{1-18} -corticotropin *or* Gly-L-Tyr-L-Ser-L-Met-L-Glu-L-His-L-Phe-L-Arg-L-Trp-Gly-L-Lys-L-Pro-L-Val-Gly-L-Lys-L-Lys-L-Arg-L-Arg-NH₂
 $C_{100}H_{156}N_{34}O_{22}S$

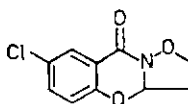
salsalatum
salsalate

salicylic acid, bimolecular ester
 $C_{14}H_{10}O_5$



seclazonum
seclazone

7-chloro-3,3a-dihydro-2H,9H-isoxazolo[3,2-b][1,3]benzoxazin-9-one
 $C_{10}H_8ClNO_3$

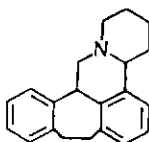


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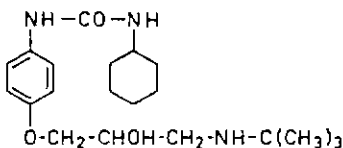
taclaminum
taclamine

2,3,4,4a,8,9,13b,14-octahydro-1*H*-benzo[6,7]cyclohepta[1,2,3-*de*]-
pyrido[2,1-*a*]isoquinoline
 $C_{21}H_{23}N$



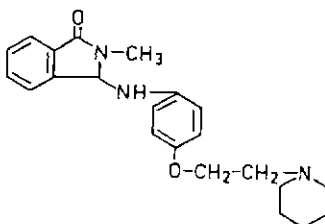
talinololum
talinolol

(±)-1-[*p*-[3-(*tert*-butylamino)-2-hydroxypropoxy]phenyl]-3-cyclo-
hexylurea
 $C_{20}H_{33}N_3O_3$



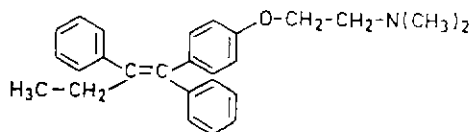
tamidolinum
tamidoline

2-methyl-3-(β-piperidino-*p*-phenetidino)phthalimidine
 $C_{22}H_{27}N_3O_2$



tamoxifenum
tamoxifen

(*Z*)-2-[*p*-(1,2-diphenyl-1-butenyl)phenoxy]-*N,N*-dimethylethyl-
amine
 $C_{26}H_{29}NO$

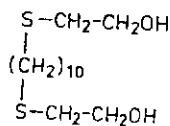


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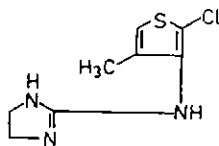
tiadenolum
tiadenol

2,2'-(decamethylenedithio)diethanol
 $C_{14}H_{30}O_2S_2$



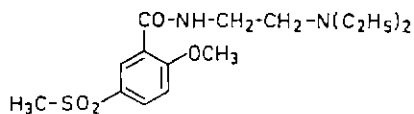
tiamenidinum
tiamenidine

2-[(2-chloro-4-methyl-3-thienyl)amino]-2-imidazoline
 $C_8H_{10}ClN_3S$



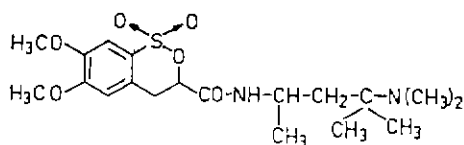
tiapridum
tiapride

N-[2-(diethylamino)ethyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-*o*-anisamide
 $C_{15}H_{24}N_2O_4S$



tisocromidum
tisocromide

N-[3-(dimethylamino)-1,3-dimethylbutyl]-6,7-dimethoxy-2,1-benzoxathian-3-carboxamide 1,1-dioxide
 $C_{19}H_{30}N_2O_5S$

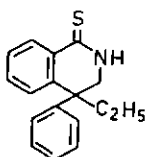


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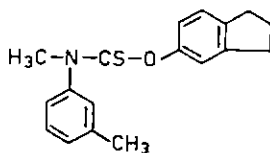
tisoquonum
tisoquone

4-ethyl-3,4-dihydro-4-phenylthioisocarbostyryl
C₁₇H₁₇NS



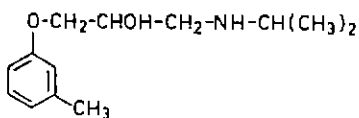
tolindatum
tolindate

O-5-indanyl *m,N*-dimethylthiocarbanilate
C₁₉H₁₉NOS



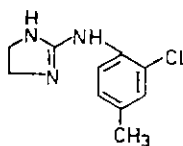
toliprololum
toliprolol

1-(isopropylamino)-3-(*m*-tolylloxy)-2-propanol
C₁₃H₂₁NO₂



tolonidinum
tolonidine

2-(2-chloro-*p*-toluidino)-2-imidazoline
C₁₀H₁₂ClN₃

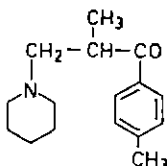


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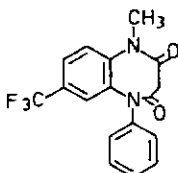
tolperisonum
tolperisone

2,4'-dimethyl-3-piperidinopropiophenone
 $C_{16}H_{23}NO$



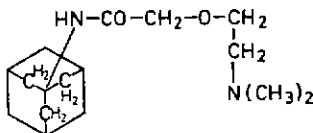
triflubazamum
triflubazam

1-methyl-5-phenyl-7-(trifluoromethyl)-1*H*-1,5-benzodiazepine-2,4-
[3*H*,5*H*]-dione
 $C_{17}H_{13}F_3N_2O_2$



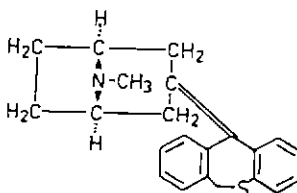
tromantadinum
tromantadine

N-1-adamantyl-2-[2-(dimethylamino)ethoxy]acetamide
 $C_{16}H_{26}N_2O_2$



tropatepinum
tropatepine

3-dibenzo[*b,e*]thiepin-11(6*H*)-ylidene-1*aH*,5*aH*-tropane
 $C_{22}H_{23}NS$

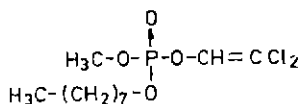


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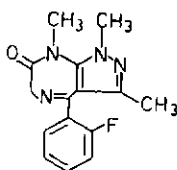
vincofosum
vincofos

2,2-dichlorovinyl methyl octyl phosphate
 $C_{11}H_{21}Cl_2O_4P$



zolazepamum
zolazepam

4-(*o*-fluorophenyl)-6,8-dihydro-1,3,8-trimethylpyrazolo[3,4-*e*]-
[1,4]-diazepin-7(1*H*)-one
 $C_{15}H_{15}FN_4O$



NAMES FOR RADICALS AND GROUPS

Some substances for which a proposed international nonproprietary name has been established may be used in the form of salts or esters. The radicals or groups involved may be of complex composition and it is then inconvenient to refer to them in

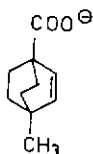
systematic chemical nomenclature. Consequently, shorter nonproprietary names for some radicals and groups have been devised or selected, and they are suggested for use with the proposed international nonproprietary names.

propionate lauryl sulfate

estolate

4-methylbicyclo[2.2.2.]oct-2-ene-1-carboxylate

ciclotate



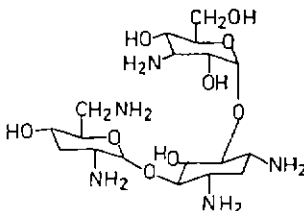
AMENDMENTS TO PREVIOUS LISTS

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PROPOSED INTERNATIONAL NONPROPRIETARY NAMES (*Prop. I.N.N.*): LIST 26

- p. 433 tobramycinum
tobramycin

complete the present definition to read as follows: "an antibiotic obtained from cultures of *Streptomyces tenebrarius* or the same substance obtained by any other means; O-3-amino-3-deoxy- α -D-glucopyranosyl-(1 \rightarrow 4)-O-[2,6-diamino-2,3,6-trideoxy- α -D-ribohexopyranosyl-(1 \rightarrow 6)]-2-deoxystreptamine C₁₈H₃₇N₅O₉."



INTERNATIONAL NONPROPRIETARY NAMES FOR PHARMACEUTICAL SUBSTANCES

CUMULATIVE LIST No. 3, 1971

- p. 28 *delete* *insert*
carbasonum — carbarsonum
carbasones — carbarsones

- p. 55 *delete*
estomycinum
estomycin

an antibiotic obtained from cultures of *Streptomyces chrestomyceticus*, or the same substance produced by any other means

- p. 70 *delete*
hydroxymycinum
hydroxymycin

an antibiotic obtained from cultures of *Streptomyces paucisporogenes*, or the same substance produced by any other means

- p. 102 paromomycinum
paromomycin

replace the present definition by the following: O-2,6-diamino-2,6-dideoxy- β -L-idopyranosyl-(1 \rightarrow 3)-O- β -D-ribofuranosyl-(1 \rightarrow 5)-O-[2-amino-2-deoxy- α -D-glucopyranosyl-(1 \rightarrow 4)]-2-deoxystreptamine
C₂₃H₄₅N₅O₁₄

All names from lists 1-25 of proposed international nonproprietary names, together with a molecular formula index, will be found in: World Health Organization (1971) *International nonproprietary names for pharmaceutical substances: Cumulative list No. 3, 1971*, Geneva, 189 pages (price: £2.40, \$6.00, or Sw. fr. 24.—).

Annex

PROCEDURE FOR THE SELECTION OF RECOMMENDED INTERNATIONAL NONPROPRIETARY NAMES FOR PHARMACEUTICAL SUBSTANCES *

The following procedure shall be followed by the World Health Organization in the selection of recommended international nonproprietary names for pharmaceutical substances, in accordance with the World Health Assembly resolution WHA3.11 :

1. Proposals for recommended international nonproprietary names shall be submitted to the World Health Organization on the form provided therefor.

2. Such proposals shall be submitted by the Director-General of the World Health Organization to the members of the Expert Advisory Panel on the International Pharmacopoeia and Pharmaceutical Preparations designated for this purpose, for consideration in accordance with the " General principles for guidance in devising International Nonproprietary Names ", appended to this procedure. The name used by the person discovering or first developing and marketing a pharmaceutical substance shall be accepted, unless there are compelling reasons to the contrary.

3. Subsequent to the examination provided for in article 2, the Director-General of the World Health Organization shall give notice that a proposed international nonproprietary name is being considered.

A. Such notice shall be given by publication in the *Chronicle of the World Health Organization*¹ and by letter to Member States and to national pharmacopoeia commissions or other bodies designated by Member States.

(i) Notice may also be sent to specific persons known to be concerned with a name under consideration

B. Such notice shall :

- (i) set forth the name under consideration ;
- (ii) identify the person who submitted a proposal for naming the substance, if so requested by such person ;
- (iii) identify the substance for which a name is being considered ;
- (iv) set forth the time within which comments and objections will be received and the person and place to whom they should be directed ;
- (v) state the authority under which the World Health Organization is acting and refer to these rules of procedure.

C. In forwarding the notice, the Director-General of the World Health Organization shall request that Member States take such steps as are necessary to prevent the acquisition of proprietary rights in the proposed name during the period it is under consideration by the World Health Organization.

4. Comments on the proposed name may be forwarded by any person to the World Health Organization within four months of the date of publication, under article 3, of the name in the *Chronicle of the World Health Organization*.

5. A formal objection to a proposed name may be filed by any interested person within four months of the date of publication, under article 3, of the name in the *Chronicle of the World Health Organization*.

A. Such objection shall.

- (i) identify the person objecting ;
- (ii) state his interest in the name ;
- (iii) set forth the reasons for his objection to the name proposed.

* Text adopted by the Executive Board of WHO in resolution EB15 R7 (*Off. Rec. Wld Hlth Org.*, 1955, 60, 3) and amended by the Board in resolution EB43 R9 (*Off. Rec. Wld Hlth Org.*, 1969, 173, 10).

¹ The title of this publication was changed to *WHO Chronicle* in January 1959.

6. Where there is a formal objection under article 5, the World Health Organization may either reconsider the proposed name or use its good offices to attempt to obtain withdrawal of the objection. Without prejudice to the consideration by the World Health Organization of a substitute name or names, a name shall not be selected by the World Health Organization as a recommended international nonproprietary name while there exists a formal objection thereto filed under article 5 which has not been withdrawn.

7. Where no objection has been filed under article 5, or all objections previously filed have been withdrawn, the Director-General of the World Health Organization shall give notice in accordance with subsection A of article 3 that the name has been selected by the World Health Organization as a recommended international nonproprietary name.

8. In forwarding a recommended international nonproprietary name to Member States under article 7, the Director-General of the World Health Organization shall:

A. request that it be recognized as the nonproprietary name for the substance; and

B. request that Member States take such steps as are necessary to prevent the acquisition of proprietary rights in the name, including prohibiting registration of the name as a trade-mark or trade-name.

GENERAL PRINCIPLES FOR GUIDANCE IN DEVISING INTERNATIONAL NONPROPRIETARY NAMES FOR PHARMACEUTICAL SUBSTANCES *

1. Names should be distinctive in sound and spelling. They should not be inconveniently long and should not be liable to confusion with names already in common use.

2. The name for a substance belonging to a group of pharmacologically related substances should, where appropriate, show this relationship. Names that are likely to convey to a patient an anatomical, physiological, pathological or therapeutic suggestion should be avoided.

The above primary principles are to be implemented by utilization of the following secondary principles.

3. In devising the name of the first substance in a new pharmacological group (the parent substance), consideration should be given to the possibility of devising suitable names for related substances belonging to the new group.

4. In devising a name from the systematic chemical name of a substance, syllables such as "methylhydro", "methoxy", and "chlor" should preferably be abbreviated, for example, to "medro", "meto", and "clo"; the derived name should not be chemically misleading.

5. In devising names for acids, one-word names are preferred; their salts should be named without modifying the acid name, e.g., "oxacillin" and "oxacillin sodium", "ibufenac" and "ibufenac sodium". The salts of acids having two-word names such as "nicotinic acid" should be named in the usual style, e.g., "sodium nicotinate".

6. Names for substances which are used as salts should in general apply to the active base (or the active acid). Names for different salts or esters of the same active substance should differ only in respect of the name of the inactive acid (or the inactive base). Exceptions may have to be made for those cases in which pharmacological activity may reside in both parts of the salt or ester.

For quaternary ammonium substances, the cation and anion should be named appropriately as separate components of a quaternary substance and not in the amine-salt style.

7. The use of an isolated letter or number should be avoided; hyphenated construction is also undesirable.

8. To facilitate translation and pronunciation "f" should preferably be used instead of "ph", "t" instead of "th", "e" instead of "ae" or "oe", and "i" instead of "y".

* Text revised by the Expert Committee on Nonproprietary Names for Pharmaceutical Substances (unpublished reports WHO/Pharm/67.443, WHO/Pharm/68.447, and WHO Pharm 70.458)

9. Provided that the names suggested are in accordance with these principles, names proposed by the person discovering or first developing and marketing a pharmaceutical preparation, or names already officially in use in any country, should receive preferential consideration.

10. Group relationship in names (see item 2) should preferably be shown by using common syllables in the following list. Where a syllable or a group of syllables is shown without any hyphens it may be used anywhere in the name. The syllable, or group of syllables, should, if possible, be used only for such substances.

Subsidiary group relationships should be shown by devising names which show similarities to and are analogous with a previously named substance, the parent substance.

At the end of the list are general chemical syllables. Should they come into conflict with other suggested syllables, the suffix conveying the best information should be used.

<i>Latin</i>	<i>English</i>	<i>French</i>	
-actidum	-actide	-actide	synthetic polypeptides with a corticotrophin-like action
-andr-	-andr-	-andr-	
or -stan-	or -stan-	or -stan-	
or -ster-	or -ster-	or -ster-	steroids, androgenic
-arolum	-arol	-arol	
-bamatum	-bamate	-bamate	
barb	barb	barb	anticoagulants of the coumarin type
bol	bol	bol	tranquillizers of the propanediol and pentanediol series
-cainum	-caine	-caine	barbituric acids, hypnotic activity
cef-	cef-	céf-	anabolic steroids
-cillinum	-cillin	-cilline	local anaesthetics
cort	cort	cort	antibiotics with cefalosporanic acid nucleus
-crinum	-crine	-crine	penicillins: derivatives of 6-amino-penicillanic acid
-curium	-curium	-curium	steroids, glucocorticoids and mineralocorticoids, other than prednisolone derivatives
-cyclinum	-cycline	-cycline	acridine derivatives
-estr-	-estr-	-estr-	curare-like drugs
-forminum	-formin	-formine	antibiotics, tetracycline derivatives
gest	gest	gest	estrogenic drugs
gli-	gli-	gli-	guanidine oral antidiabetics
io-	io-	io-	steroids, progestative
-moxinum	-moxin	-moxine	sulfonamide oral antidiabetics
-mycinum	-mycin	-mycine	iodine-containing contrast media
nifur-	-nifur-	nifur-	monoamine oxidase inhibitors
-onidum	-onide	-onide	antimicrobial antibiotics, produced by <i>Streptomyces</i> strains
-orexum	-orex	-orex	5-nitrofur derivatives
-praminum	-pramine	-pramine	steroids for topical use: acetal derivatives
prost	prost	prost	anorexigenic agents
-serpinum	-serpine	-serpine	dibenzazepine, compounds of the imipramine type
sulfa-	sulfa-	sulfa-	prostaglandins
-terolum	-terol	-térol	derivatives of <i>Rauwolfia</i> alkaloids
-tizidum	-tizide	-tizide	sulfonamides, used as antimicrobials
-toinum	-toin	-toïne	bronchodilators: phenethylamine derivatives
-verinum	-verine	-vérine	diuretics which are thiazide derivatives
-inum	-ine	-ine	antiepileptics which are hydantoin derivatives
-onum	-one	-one	spasmolytics with a papaverine-like action
-ium	-ium	-ium	alkaloids and organic bases
			ketones
			quaternary ammonium compounds