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International Nonpropriet Names for Pharmaceutica 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 les 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.

The inclusion of a name in the lists of proposed international nonproprietary names does not imply any recommendation for the use of the substance in medicine or pharmacy.

Proposed International Nonproprietary Names (Prop. INN): List 342

Proposed International Nonproprietary Name (Latin, English) Chemical Name or Description, Molecular and Graphic Formulae

acidum tizoprolicum tizoprolic acid

2-propyl-5-thiazolecarboxylic acid C7H9NO2S

actaplaninum actaplanin

alpertinum ∘rtine

glycopeptide antibiotic obtained from cultures of Actinoplanes strain ATCC 23342, or the same substance produced by any other means

ethyl 5,6-dimethoxy-3-[2-(4-phenyl-1-piperazinyl)ethyl]indole-2-carboxylate C25H31N3O4

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: Sw. fr. 24.-). This publication may be obtained from the sales agents listed on the back cover of the WHO Chronicle or from: World Health Organization, Distribution and Sales Service, 1211 Geneva 27, Switzerland.

¹ See Annex, p. 20.

¹ Other lists of proposed international non-proprietary names can be found in Chron. Wild Hith 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, 414; 1973, 27, 120, 330; 1974, 28, 133; supplements to WHO Chronicle, 1974, Vol. 28, No. 9; 1975, Vol. 29, No. 3.

Lists of recommended international non-proprietary names were published in Chron Wild Hith Org., 1955, 9, 185; WHO Chronicle, 1959, 13, 106, 463; 1962, 16, 101; 1965, 19, 165, 206, 249; 1966, 20, 421; 1967, 21, 538; 1968, 22, 463; 1969, 23, 490; 1970, 24, 526; 1971, 25, 476; 1972, 26, 476; 1973, 27, 453; supplement to WHO Chronicle, 1974, Vol. 28, No. 10. ¹ Other lists of proposed international non

azabuperonum azabuperone 4'-fluoro-4-(hexahydropyrrolo [1,2-a] pyrazin-2(1H)-yl) butyrophenone $C_{17}H_{23}FN_2O$

befuralinum befuraline 1-(2-benzofuranylcarbonyl)-4-benzylpiperazine C20H20N2O2

benoxaprofenum benoxaprofen $2-(\rho$ -chlorophenyl)- α -methyl-5-benzoxazoleacetic acid $C_{16}H_{12}CINO_3$

bisorcicum bisorcic N²,N⁵-diacetyl-L-ornithine C₉H₁₆N₂O₄

bitolterolum bitolterol 4-[2-(tert-butylamino)-1-hydroxyethyl]-o-phenylene di-p-toluate C₂₈H₃₁NO₅

bornaprinum bornaprine 3-(diethylamino)propyl 2-phenyl-2-norbornanecarboxylate C21H31NO2

bufrolinum bufrolin 6-butyl-1,4,7,10-tetrahydro-4,10-dioxo-1,7-phenanthroline-2,8-dicarboxylic acid $_{\rm C18}H_{16}N_{\rm 2}O_{\rm 6}$

cafaminolum cafaminol 8-[(2-hydroxyethyl)methylamino]caffeine $C_{11}H_{17}N_5O_3$

calcii clofibras calcium clofibrate calcium 2-(p-chlorophenoxy)-2-methylpropionate C₂₀H₂₀CaCl₂O₆ or (C₁₀H₁₀ClO₃)₂Ca

carbocisteinum carbocisteine 3-[(carboxymethyl)thio]alanine С_БН₉NO₄S

cefatrizınum cefatrizine

(6R,7R)-7-[(R)-2-amino-2-(p-hydroxyphenyl)acetamido]-8-oxo-3-[(v-triazol-4-ylthio)methyl]-5-thia-1-azabicyclo[4.2.0]oct-2-ene-2-carboxylic acid $C_{18}H_{18}N_6O_5S_2$

cefoxazolum cefoxazole (6R,7R)-7-[3-(o-chlorophenyl)-5-methyl-4-isoxazolecarboxamido]-3-(hydroxymethyl)-8-oxo-5-thia-1-azabicyclo[4.2,0]oct-2-ene-2-carboxylic acid acetate (ester)
C21H1eClN3O7S

cefrotilum cefrotil (6R,7R)-3-methyl-8-oxo-7-[2-[p-(1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-2-pyrimidinyl)phenyl]-acetamido]-5-thia-1-azabicyclo[4,2.0]oct-2-ene-2-carboxylic acid C₂oH₂2N₄O₄S

ceftezolum ceftezole (6R,7R)-8-oxo-7-[2-(1H-tetrazol-1-yl)acetamido]-3-[(1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-ylthio)methyl]-5-thia-1-azabicyclo[4.2.0]oct-2-ene-2-carboxylic acid C13 $H_{12}N_{B}O_{4}S_{3}$

cefuroximum cefuroxime

 $\begin{array}{lll} (6R,7R)-7-[2-(2-furyl)glyoxylamido]-3-(hydroxymethyl)-8-oxo-5-thia-1-azabicyclo[4.2.0]oct-2-ene-2-carboxylic acid (Z)-mono(O-methyloxime) carbamate (ester) \\ C_{16}H_{16}N_4O_8S \end{array}$

ciclazindolum ciclazindol 10-(m-chlorophenyl)-2,3 4,10-tetrahydropyrimido[1,2-a]indol-10-ol C₁₇H₁₅ClN₂O

cimepanolum cimepanol α -isopropylcyclohexanemethanol $C_{10}H_{20}O$

cinprazolum cinprazole 3-[2-[(4-cinnamyl-1-piperazinyl)methyl]benzimidazol-1-yl]propiophenone C30H32N4O

clovoxaminum clovoxamine 4'-chloro-5-methoxyvalerophenone (E)-0-(2-aminoethyl)oxime C14H21ClN2O2

detajmii bitartras detajmium bitartrate 4-[3-(diethylamino)-2-hydroxypropyl]ajmalinium hydrogen tartrate monohydrate $C_{31}H_{47}N_3O_9$. $H_{2}O$

diproxadolum diproxadol

6-chloro-4- (2,3-dihydroxypropyl)-2-methyl-2H-1,4-benzoxazin-3(4H)-one $C_{12}H_{14}CINO_4$

doxaprostum doxaprost (1 R^* ,2 R^*)-2-[(E)-3-hydroxy-3-methyl-1-octenyl]-5-oxocyclopentaneheptanoic acid C₂₁H₃₆O₄

estrapronicatum estrapronicate

estradiol 17-nicotinate 3-propionate C27H31NO4

etoforminum etoformin

1-butyl-2-ethylbiguanide CBH19N5

etoposidum etoposide 4'-demethylepipodophyllotoxin 9-(4,6-O-ethylidene- β -D-glucopyranoside) C₂₉H₃₂O₁₃

floxacrinum floxacrine

7-chloro-3,4-dihydro-10-hydroxy-3- $(\alpha,\alpha,\alpha$ -trifluoro-p-tolyl)-1,9(2H)-acridandione C₂₀H₁₃ClF₃NO₃

f `endazolum , endazole methyl 5-(p-fluorobenzoyl)-2-benzimidazolecarbamate C16H12FN3O3

flumequinum flumequine 9-fluoro-6,7-dihydro-5-methyl-1-oxo-1*H*,5*H*-benzo[*ij*]quinolizine-2-carboxylic acid C₁₄H₁₂FNO₃

、 ク fluoxetinum fluoxetine

(\pm)-N-methyl-3-phenyl-3-[(α,α,α -trifluoro-p-tolyl)oxy]propylamine C17H18F3NO

flupimazinum flupimazine 2-[[1-[3-[2-(trifluoromethyl)phenothiazin-10-yl]propyl]-4-piperidyl]oxy]-ethanol C23H27F3N2O2S

fluspiperonum fluspiperone 8-[3-(p-fluorobenzoyl)propyl]-1-(p-fluorophenyl)-1,3,8-triazaspiro[4.5]-decan-4-one C23H25F2N3O2

fluvoxaminum fluvoxamine 5-methoxy-4'-(trifluoromethyl)valerophenone (E)-O-(2-aminoethyl)oxime C₁₅H₂₁F₃N₂O₂

gemcadiolum gemcadiol 2,2,9,9-tetramethyl-1,10-decanediol C₁4H₃₀O₂

gemfibrozilum gemfibrozil 2,2-dimethyl-5- (2,5-xylyloxy)valeric acid C₁₅H₂₂O₃

glaziovinum glaziovine (土) – glaziovine C18H19NO3

imafenum imafen 2,3,5,6-tetrahydro-5-phenyl-1H-imidazo[1,2-a]imidazole C₁₁H₁₃N₃

iproxaminum iproxamine 5-[2-(dimethylamino)ethoxy]carvacryl isopropyl carbonate C1aH2aNO4

iquindaminum iquindamine 1-[[2-(diethylamino)ethyl]amino]-3,4-dihydroisoquinoline C15H23N3

isonixinum isonixin 2-hydroxy-2',6'-nicotinoxylidide C14H14N2O2

kr inzocinum Locine $(2R^*,6S^*,11S^*)$ -3-(cyclopropylmethyl)-3,4,5,6-tetrahydro-8-hydroxy-6,11-dimethyl-2,6-methano-3-benzazocin-1(2H)-one $C_{18}H_{23}NO_2$

lonazolacum lonazolac 3-(p-chlorophenyl)-1-phenylpyrazole-4-acetic acid C₁₇H₁₃ClN₂O₂

lorajminum lorajmine

ajmaline 17-(chloroacetate) C22H27CIN2O3

meglitinidum meglitinide

p-[2-(5-chloro-o-anisamido)ethyl]benzoic acid C₁₇H₁₆CINO₄

mepartricinum mepartricin

a methyl ester of partricin, an antibiotic obtained from cultures of *Streptomyce*: aureofaciens or produced by any other means

mepitiostanum mepitiostane

cyclopentanone 2a,3a-epithio-5a-androstan-17 β -yl methyl acetal C25H4oO2S

mesocarbum mesocarb

 $3\hbox{-}(\alpha\hbox{-methyl})\hbox{-} \hbox{\it N}\hbox{-}(phenylcarbamoyl) sydnone imine C_{18}H_{18}N_4O_2$

metapraminum metapramine

10,11-dihydro-5-methyl-10-(methylamino)-5H-dibenz[b,f]azepine C16H18N2

methylbenactyzii bromidum methylbenactyzium bromide

diethyl(2-hydroxyethyl)methylammonium bromide benzilate C21H2BBrNO3

metioxatum ~3tioxate 2-(4-methylpiperidino)ethyl 6-ethyl-2,3,6,9-tetrahydro-3-methyl-2,9-dioxothiazolo [5,4-f]quinoline-8-carboxylate C22H27N3O4S

mezlocillinum mezlocillin

 $\label{eq:condition} \begin{array}{ll} (2S,5R,6R)\text{-}3,3\text{-}dimethyl\text{-}6\text{-}[(R)\text{-}2\text{-}[3\text{-}(methylsulfonyl)\text{-}2\text{-}oxo\text{-}1\text{-}}\\ \text{imidazolidinecarboxamido}]\text{-}2\text{-}phenylacetamido}]\text{-}7\text{-}oxo\text{-}4\text{-}thia\text{-}1\text{-}azabicyclo}\\ \text{cyclo}[3,2,0]\text{heptane-}2\text{-}carboxylic acid}\\ \text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{25}\text{N}_{5}\text{O}_{8}\text{S}_{2} \end{array}$

nadololum nadolol

1-(tart-butylamino) -3- [(5,6,7,8-tetrahydro-cis-6,7-dihydroxy-1-naphthyl)-oxy]-2-propanol $C_{17}H_{27}NO_4$

nexeridinum nexeridine $1-[2-(dimethylamino)-1-methylethyl]-2-phenylcyclohexanol acetate \ (ester) \\ C_{19}H_{29}NO_2$

nifuralidum nifuralide 2-(allylamino)-4-thiazolecarboxylic acid [3-(5-nitro-2-furyl)allylidene]-hydrazide C14H13N5O4S

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$$O_2N \xrightarrow{O} CH = CH - CH = N - NH - C - N$$

nimidanum nimidane cyclic methylene (4-chloro-o-tolyl)dithioimidocarbonate $C_9H_8CINS_2$

nisoxetinum nisoxetine (\pm)-3-(o-methoxyphenoxy)-N-methyl-3-phenylpropylamine C₁₇H₂₁NO₂

nuclotixenum nuclotixene 3-[(2-chlorothioxanthen-9-ylidene)methyl]quinuclidine C21H20CINS

octoxinolum octoxinol a-[p-(1,1,3,3-tetramethylbutyi)phenyl]- ω -hydroxypoly(oxyethylene) general formula:

Each octoxinol name is followed by a number indicating the approximate number of oxyethylene groups present e.g. octoxinol 9 and 10, and the individual chemical names may contain a specific numerical syllable for the same purpose.

oxaceprolum oxaceprol (-)-1-acetyl-4-hydroxy-L-proline C7H11NO4

piflutixolum piflutixol

pivoxazepamum pivoxazepam

7-chloro-1,3-dihydro-3-hydroxy-5-phenyl-2*H*-1,4-benzodiazepin-2-one pivalate (ester) C₂₀H₁₉ClN₂O₃

praziquantelum praziquantel 2-(cyclohexylcarbonyl)-1,2,3,6,7,11b-hexahydro-4H-pyrazino[2,1-a]-isoquinolin-4-one C₁₉H₂₄N₂O₂

prostalenum prostalene

 (\pm) -methyl 7- [(1 R^* ,2 R^* ,3 R^* ,5 S^*)-3,5-dihydroxy-2- [(E)-3-hydroxy-3-methyl-1-octenyl]cyclopentyl]-4,5-heptadienoate C22H3eOs

quinocidum quinocide

8-[(4-aminopentyl)amino]-6-methoxyquinoline $C_{15}H_{21}N_{3}O$

securininum securinine

(6S,11aH,11bS) -9,10,11,11a-tetrahydro-8H-6,11b-methanofuro [2,3-e]- pyrido [1,2-a]azepin-2(6H)-one C13H15 NO_2

sepazonii chloridum sepazonium chloride

1-[2,4-dichloro- β -[(2,4-dichlorobenzyl)oxy]phenethyl]-3-phenethylimida- β C₂₆H₂₃Cl₅N₂O

serfibratum serfibrate

2-acetamido-4-mercaptobutyric acid 2-(p-chlorophenoxy)-2-methyl-propionate (ester) C1eH2oCINO5S

stevaladilum stevaladil

 $3\beta\text{-}(\text{dimethylamino})\text{-}5\alpha\text{-}\text{pregnane-}18,20\alpha\text{-}\text{diol}$ diacetate (ester) C27H45NO4

sulisatinum sulisatin 3,3-bis(p-hydroxyphenyl)-7-methyl-2-indolinone bis(hydrogen sulfate) (ester)

Č21 H17 NO9S2

supidimidum "Pidimide

2-(2-oxo-3-piperidyl)-1,2-benzisothiazolin-3-one 1,1-dioxide C₁₂H₁₂N₂O₄S

teniposidum teniposide 4'-demethylepipodophyllotoxin 9-(4,6-O-2-thenylidene- β -D-glucopyranoside) C₃₂H₃₂O₁₃S

ternidazolum ternidazole 2-methyl-5-nitroimidazole-1-propanol C7H11N3O3

ticlopidinum ticlopidine 5-(o-chlorobenzyi)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydrothieno[3,2-c]pyridine C₁₄H₁₄CINS

tiflorexum tiflorex (+)-N-ethyl- α -methyl-m-[(trifluoromethyl)thio]phenethylamine C₁₂H₁₆F₃NS

tioxacinum tioxacin 6-ethyl-2,3,6,9-tetrahydro-3-methyl-2,9-dioxothiazolo [5,4-f] quinoline-8-carboxylic acid C14H12N2O4S

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tisopurinum tisopurine

1H-pyrazolo [3,4-d] pyrimidine-4-thiol $C_5H_4N_4S$

tofetridinum tofetridine

(-)-1,2,3,4,4a,5,6,10b-octahydro-9-methoxy-10b-methylphenanthridine $C_{15}H_{21}NO$

trebenzominum trebenzomine

(\pm)-N,N,2-trimethyl-3-chromanamine, racemate I C₁₂H₁₇NO

trifezolacum trifezolac

1,3,5-triphenylpyrazole-4-acetic acid C23H18N2O2

trimopamum trimopam (+)-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-7,8-dimethoxy-3-methyl-1-phenyl-1*H*-3-benzazepine C₁₉H₂₃NO₂

AMENDMENTS O PREVIOUS LISTS

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Proposed International Nonproprietary Names (Prop. INN): List 26

p. 430 delete the following entries

poloxamerum 331 poloxamer 331 poloxamerum 407 poloxamer 407

insert

poloxamerum poloxamer

α-hydro-ω-hydroxypoly(oxyethylene)poly(oxypropylene)poly(oxyethylene)

block copolymer.

General formula H-(OCH₂CH₂)_B(OCHCH₂)_b(OCH₂CH₂)_c-OH

CH₂

Each poloxamer name is followed by a number, e.g., poloxamer 188, 331, 407 etc. The first two digits multiplied by 100 correspond to the approximate average molecular weight of the poly(oxypropylene) portion; the third digit multiplied by 10 corresponds to the percentage by weight of the poly(oxyethylene) portion.

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Proposed International Nonproprietary Names (Prop. INN): List 29

p. 124 ceruletidum ceruletide

replace chemical name by the following:

5-oxo-L-prolyl-L-glutaminyl-L-aspartyl-L-tyrosyl-L-threonylglycyl-L-

tryptophyl-L-methionyl-L-aspartyl-L-phenylalanınamide 4-(hydrogen sulfate)

(ester)

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Proposed International Nonproprietary Names (Prop. INN): List 32

p. 18 delete

sulimarinum sulimarin insert

sulmarinum sulmarin

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p. 45 delete the following entries

dextranum 40 dextran 40

dextranum 110 dextran 110

dextranum 45 dextran 45

dextranum 150 dextran 150

dextranum 75 dextran 75

insert

dextranum dextran

polyanhydroglucose produced by the action of Leuconostoc mesenteroides on sucrose and subsequent controlled hydrolysis and fractionation of the high molecular weight dextran thus formed, or the same substance obtained by any other means. The weight-average molecular weight is referred to by a specifying number: e.g. dextran 40, 45, 70, 110, 150. The number multiplied by 1,000 corresponds to the approximate weight-average molecular weig e.g. dextran 40 has a weight-average molecular weight of about 40,000.

p. 50 delete the following entries

dimeticonum 20 dimeticone 20

dimeticonum 500 dimeticone 500

dimeticonum 200 dimeticone 200

dimeticonum 1000 dimeticone 1000

dimeticonum 350 dimeticone 350

insert

dimeticonum dimeticone

poly(dimethylsiloxane)

Each dimeticone name is followed by a number referring to the viscosity of the substance: e.g.

(viscosity of 950 to 1050

dimeticone 20 dimeticone 200 dimeticone 350 dimeticone 500 dimeticone 1000

(viscosity of 17.0 to 23.0 centistokes) (viscosity of 190 to 210 centistokes) (viscosity of 330 to 370 centistokes) (viscosity of 475 to 525 centistokes)

77 delete lopraminum Iopramine

insert

Iofepraminum lofepramine

p. 77 delete the following entries

macrogoli lauras 600 macrogol laurate 600 p. 78 delete the following entries .nacrogoli stearas 600 magrogol stearate 600

macrogoli oleas 600 .. macrogol oleate 600 macrogoli stearas 1000 macrogol stearate 1000

macrogoli stearas 400 , macrogol stearate 400

macrogoli stearas 2000 macrogol stearate 2000

insert

macrogoli ester macrogol ester

monoester derived from a polyethylene glycol and a fatty acid of general formula H-(OCH2CH2)-OOCR

centistokes)

Contains small amounts of the corresponding diester and unesterified glycol. Each macrogol ester name is followed by a number corresponding approximately to the average molecular weight of the polyethylene glycol portion, e.g. macrogol laurate 600, macrogol oleate 600, macrogol stearate 400, 600, 1000 and 2000.

p. 78 delete the following entries

macrogolum 400 macrogol 400 macrogolum 4000 macrogol 4000

macrogolum 1000 macrogol 1000

insert

macrogolum macrogol polyethylene glycol of general formula H-(OCH₂CH₂)_n-OH where n varies from 3 to 225 approximately. Each macrogol name is followed by a number corresponding approximately to its average molecular weight, e.g. macrogol 300, 400, 1000, 4000.

p. 87 delete the entry

metylperonum metylperone

80 insert after the entry " melitracenum "

melperonum melperone 4'-fluoro-4-(4-methylpiperidino) butyrophenone

C16H22FNO

p. 96 delete the following entries

nonoxinolum 4 nonoxinol 4

nonoxinolum 9 nonoxinol 9 nonoxinolum 15 nonoxinol 15

nonoxinolum 30 nonoxinol 30

insert

nonoxinolum nonoxinol α-(p-nonylphenyl)-ω-hydroxypoly(oxyethylene)

General formula:

Each nonoxinol name is followed by a number indicating the approximate number of oxyethylene groups present, e.g. nonoxinol 4, 9, 15, and 30, and the individual chemical names may contain a specific numerical syllable for the same purpose,

n 110 delete the following entry

poloxalkolum poloxalkol

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,
- 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.

- 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 retration of the name as a trade-marker trade-name.
- Text adopted by the Executive Board of WHO in resolution EB15.R7 (Off. Rec. Wid Hith Org., 1955, 60, 3) and amended by the Board in resolution EB43.R9 (Off. Rec. Wid Hith Org., 1969, 173, 10).
- ¹ The title of this publication was changed to WHO Chronicle in January 1959.

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

- International Nonproprietary Names (INN) should be distinctive in sound and spelling. They should not be inconveniently long and should not be liable to confusion with names in common use.
- 2. The INN 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, physio-
- logical, pathological or therapeutic suggestion should be avoided.
- These primary principles are to be implemented by using the following secondary principles

- 3. In devising the INN of the first substance in a new pharmacological group, consideration should be given to the possibility of devising suitable INN for related substance, belonging to the new group.
- 4. In devising INN 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".
- 5. INN for substances that 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 instance should differ only in

respect of the name of the inactive acid or the inactive base.

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.

- 6. The use of an isolated letter or number should be avoided; hyphenated construction is also undesirable.
- 7. To facilitate the translation and pronunciation of INN, "f" should be used instead of "ph", "t" instead of "ae" or "oe", and "i" instead of "y"; the use of the letters "h" and "k" should be avoided.
- 8. 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.
- 9. Group relationship in INN (see Guiding Principle 2) should if possible be shown by using a stem from the following list. The stem should only be used for substances of the appropriate group. Where a stem is shown without any hyphens it may be used anywhere in the name.

Subsidiary group relationships should be shown by devising INN that show similarities to and are analogous with a previously named substance.

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Latin	English	French
-actidum	-actide	-actide
andr	andr	andr
-arolum	-arol	-arol
-azepamum	-azepam	-azépam
bol	bol	bol
-buzonum	-buzone	-buzone
-cainum	-caine	-caine
cef-	cef-	céf-
-cillinum	-cillin	-cilline
cort	cort	cort
-cyclinum	-cycline	-cycline
estr	estr	estr
-fibratum	-fibrate	-fibrate
-forminum	-formin	-formine
gest	gest	gest
gli-	gli-	gli-
io-	io-	io-
-ium	-ium	-ium
-metacinum	-metacın	-métacine
-mycinum	-mycin	-mycine
-nidazolum	-nidazole	-nidazole
-ololum	-olol	-olol
idum	-onide	-onide
/exum	-orex	-orex
-praminum	-pramine	-pramine
-profenum	-profen	-profène
prost	prost	prost
-relinum	-relin	-réline
sulfa-	sulfa-	sulfa-
-terolum	terol	-térol
-tizidum	-tizide	-tizide
-verinum	-verine	-vérine

synthetic polypeptides with a corticotrophin-like action steroids, androgens anticoagulants of the dicoumarol group substances of the diazepam group steroids, anabolic anti-inflammatory analgesics of the phenylbutazone group local anaesthetics antibiotics, derivatives of cefalosporanic acid antibiotics, derivatives of 6-aminopenicillanic acid corticosteroids, except those of the prednisolone group antibiotics of the tetracycline group estrogenic substances substances of the clofibrate group hypoglycemics of the phenformin group steroids, progestogens sulfonamide hypoglycemics iodine-containing contrast media quaternary ammonium compounds anti-inflammatory substances of the indometacin group antibiotics, produced by Streptomyces strains antiprotozoal substances of the metronidazole group β-adrenergic blocking agents of the propranolol group steroids for topical use, containing an acetal group anorexigenic agents, phenethylamine derivatives substances of the impramine group anti-inflammatory substances of the ibuprofen group prostaglandins hypophyseal hormone release-stimulating peptides sulfonamides, anti-infective bronchodilators, phenethylamine derivatives diuretics of the chlorothiazide group spasmolytics with a papaverine-like action