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, 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.

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. I.N.N.): LIST 24 2

Proposed International Nonproprietary Name (Latin, English)

acidum iozomicúm iozomic acid Chemical Name or Description, Molecular and Graphic Formulae

3,3'-[tetramethylenebis[oxy(2-hydroxytrimethylene)(acetylimino)]]-bis[2,4,6-triiodo-5-(N-methylacetamido)benzoic acid]
C34H40IsN4Q12

acidum mycophenolicum mycophenolic acid (E)-6-(4-hydroxy-6-methoxy-7-methyl-3-oxg-5-phthalanyl)-4-methyl-4-hexenoic acid C₁₇H₂₀O₄

¹ See Annex, p. 24.

¹ 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.

Lists of recommended international nonproprietary names were published in Chron. Wid Hith Orc., 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.

Chemical Name or Description, Molecular and Graphic Formulae

acidum polyglycolicum polyglycolic acid poly(oxycarbony!methylene) $(C_2H_2O_2)_n$

acidum tolfenamicum tolfenamic acid N-(3-chloro-o-tolyl)anthranilic acid C₁₄H₁₂CINO₂

almestronum almestrone 3-hydroxy- 7α -methylestra-1,3,5(10)-trien-17-one $C_{13}H_{24}O_{2}$

baclofenum baclofen β -(aminomethyl)- ρ -chlorohydrocinnamic acid $C_{10}H_{12}CINO_2$

bekanamycinum bekanamycin kanamycin B or L-O-3-amino-3-deoxy- α -D-glucopyranosyl- $(1\rightarrow 4)$ -O-[2,6-diamino-2,6-dideoxy- α -D-glucopyranosyl- $(1\rightarrow 6)$]-2-deoxystreptamine $C_{11}H_{37}N_{5}O_{10}$

bitipazonum bitipazone 2,3-butanedione bis[4-(2-piperidinoethyl)thiosemicarbazone] $C_{zo}H_{91}N_{9}S_{2}$

brotianidum brotianide

3,4'-dibromo-5-chlorothiosalicylanilide acetate (ester)- $C_{15}H_{10}Br_2CINO_2S$

bumadizonum bumadizone

butylmalonic acid mono(1,2-diphenylhydrazide) $C_{19}H_{22}N_2O_3$

bumetanidum bumetanide

3-(butylamıno)-4-phenoxy-5-sulfamoylberizoic acīd Cı₁H₂oN₂O₅S

cambendazolum cambendazole isopropyl 2-(4-thiazolyl)-5-benzimidazolecarbamate $C_{14}H_{14}N_4O_2S$

carmustinum carmustine 1,3-bis(2-chloroethyl)-1-nitrosourea C₅H₂Cl₂N₃O₂

carperonum carperone isopropylcarbamic acid ester with 4'-fluoro-4-(4-hydroxypiperidino)butyrophenone C₁₉H₂₇FN₂O₃

chlormerodrinum (¹⁹⁷Hg) chlormerodrin (¹⁹⁷Hg) [3-(chloromercuri-¹³?Hg)-2-methoxypropyl)]urea C₃H₁₁CIHgN₂O₂

$$\begin{array}{c} \operatorname{Ct} - \operatorname{Hg} - \operatorname{CH}_2 - \operatorname{CH} - \operatorname{CH}_2 - \operatorname{NH} - \operatorname{CO} - \operatorname{NH}_2 \\ \operatorname{I} \\ \operatorname{OCH}_3 \end{array}$$

cinmetacinum cinmetacin 1-cinnamoyl-5-methoxy-2-methylindole-3-acetic acid $C_{21}H_{19}NO_4$

Chemical Name or Description, Molecular and Graphic Formulae

clanobutinum clanobutin

4-[p-chloro-N-(p-methoxyphenyl)benzamido]butyric acid C₁₈H₁₈CINO₄

clantifenum clantifen 4-(2,6-dichloroanilino)-3-thiophenecarboxylic acid $C_{11}H_7Cl_2NO_2S$

clenpirinum clenpirin 1-butyl-2-[(3,4-dichlorophenyl)imino]pyrrolidine $C_{14}H_{19}Cl_2N_2$

clobenosidum clobenoside

ethyl 5,6-bis-O-(p-chlorobenzyl)-3-O-propyl-D-glucofuranoside $C_{25}H_{32}Cl_2O_6$

∘olotrimazolum ∘clotrimazole 1-(o-chloro-a,a-diphenylbenzyl)imidazole C22H17CIN2

codactidum

1-D-serine-17-L-lysine-18-L-lysinamide- a^{1-1} -corticotropin or H-D-Ser-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-Lys-NH₂ C₁₀₁H₁₅₈N₂₀O₂₃S

cyanocobalaminum (57Co) cyanocobalamin (57Co)

vitamin B_{12} containing radioactive cobalt (^{57}Co) $C_{63}H_{68}CoN_{14}O_{14}P$

cyanocobalaminum (**Co) cyanocobalamin (**Co) vitamin B₁₂ containing radioactive cobait (58Co) C₆₃H₆₄CoN₁₄O₁₄P

decimemidum decimemide 4-(decyloxy)-3,5-dimethoxybenzamide C:+H31NO4

delfantrinum delfantrine N^1 , N^1 -dimethyl-3-[(4-methyl-1-piperazinył)carbonyl]sulfanilamide $C_{14}H_{22}N_4O_3S$

demegestonum demegestone 17-methyl-19-norpregna-4,9-diene-3,20-dione $C_{21}H_{28}O_2$

denpidazonum denpidazone 4-butyl-1,2-dihydro-5-hydroxy-1,2-diphenyl-3,6-pyridazinedione $C_{20}H_{20}N_2O_3$

desonidum desonide 11 β ,16 α ,17,21-tetrahydroxypregna-1,4-diene-3,20-dione cyclic 16,17-acetal with acetone $C_{24}H_{22}O_6$

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Chemical Name or Description, Molecular and Graphic Formulae

dibusadolum dibusadol N-[4-(diethylamino)butyl]salicylamide acetate (ester) $C_{17}H_{24}N_2O_3$

dimepregnenum dimepregnen 3β -hydroxy- 6α , 16α -dimethylpregn-4-en-20-one $C_{23}H_{34}O_2$

dotefonii bromidum dotefonium bromide 1-methyl-1-[2-(N-methyl- α -2-thienylmandelamido)ethyl]pyrrolidinium bromide $C_{20}H_{27}BrN_2O_2S$

drazidoxum drazidox 3-methyl-2-quinoxalinecarboxylic acid hydrazide 1,4-dioxide $C_{10}H_{10}N_4O_3$

Chemical Name or Description, Molecular and Graphic Formulae

etasulinum etasuline 6-chloro-2-(ethylamino)-4-phenyl-4H-3,1-benzothiazine C16H15CIN2S

etifoxinum etifoxine 6-chloro-2-(ethylamiπo)-4-methyl-4-phenyl-4*H*-3,1-benzoxazine C₁₁H₁₂ClN₂O

fendilinum fendiline N-(3,3-diphenylpropyl)-a-methylbenzylamine C23H25N

ferri citratis (39Fe) injectio ferric citrate (59Fe) injection a sterile solution containing radioactive iron (59 Fe) in the ferric state, 1 per cent w/v of sodium citrate, and sufficient sodium chloride to make the solution isotonic with blood

flamenolum flamenol 5-methoxyresorcinal C₇H₁O₃

floctafeninum floctafenine

2,3-dihydroxypropyl N-[8-(trifluoromethyl)-4-quinolyl]anthranilate $C_{20}H_{17}F_3N_2O_4$

flunitrazepamum flunitrazepam

5-(o-fluorophenyl)-1,3-dihydro-1-methyl-7-nitro-2H-1,4-benzodiazepin-2-one $C_{16}H_{12}FN_3O_3$

glidazamidum glidazamide

1-(hexahydro-1H-azepin-1-yl)-3-(5-indansulfonyl)urea $C_{16}H_{23}N_3O_3S$

glisoxepidum glisoxepide

1-(hexahydro-1H-azepin-1-yl)-3-[[ρ -[2-(5-methyl-3-isoxazolecarboxamido)ethyl]phenyl]sulfonyl]urea $C_{20}H_{27}N_5O_5S$

imidocarbum imidocarb

3,3'-di-2-imidazolin-2-ylcarbanilide C₁₉H₂₀N₆Q

iometinum (1251) iometin (1251) 4-[[3-(dimethylamino)propyl]-amino]-7-iodoquinoline in which a portion of the molecules contain radioactive iodine (125 I) $C_{14}H_{18}IN_3$

iometinum (¹³¹l) iometin (¹³¹l)

4-[[3-(dimethylamino)propyl]-amino]-7-iodoquinoline in which a portion of the molecules contain radioactive iodine (131) $C_{14}H_{18}IN_3$

isoprednidenum isoprednidene 11 β ,17,21-trihydroxy-16-methylenepregna-4,6-diene-3,20-dione C22H2sO5

lopraminum lopramine Chemical Name or Description, Molecular and Graphic Formulae

4'-chloro-2-[[3-(10,11-dihydro-5H-dibenz[b,f]azepın-5-yl)propyl]-methylamino]acetophenone $C_{24}H_{27}CIN_2O$

Iorbamatum Iorbamate 2-(hydroxymethyl)-2-methylpentyl cyclopropanecarbamate carbamate (ester) C₁₂H₂₂N₂O₄

mannosulfanum mannosulfan D-mannitol 1,2,5,6-tetramethanesulfonate C₁₀H₂₂O₁₄S₄

mebendazolum mebendazole methyl 5-benzoyl-2-benzimidazolecarbamate C16H13N3O3

mepiprazolum mepiprazole 1-(m-chlorophenyl)-4-[2-(5-methylpyrazol-3-yl)ethyl]piperazine

metiprenalinum metiprenaline $\alpha\text{-}[(isopropylamino)methyl]vanillyl alcohol $C_{12}H_{19}NO_3$$

mitosperum mitosper an antineoplastic antibiotic obtained from cultures of an Aspergillus of the glaucus group, or the same substance obtained by any other means

moxestrolum moxestrol 11 β -methoxy-19-nor-17 α -pregna-1,3,5(10)-trien-20-yne-3,17-diol Cz:Hz $_6$ O $_3$

nafenopinum nafenopin

2-methyl-2-[p-(1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-1-naphthyl)phenoxy]propionic acid $C_{\rm 20}H_{\rm 22}O_{\rm 3}$

Chemical Name or Description, Molecular and Graphic Formulae

natrii iodidum (1251) sodium iodide (1251)

radioactive sodium iodide (125) Nal

natrii iodohippuras (¹³¹l) sodium iodohippurate (¹³¹l)

sodium o-iodohippurate in which a portion of the molecules contain radioactive iodine (13 I) $C_8H_7INNaO_3$

niaprazinum niaprazine N-[3-[4-(ρ -fluorophenyl)-1-piperazinyl]-1-methylpropyl]nicotinamide $C_{20}H_{29}FN_4O$

nifunginum nifungin an antifungal antibiotic obtained from cultures of Aspergillus giganteus, or the same substance obtained by any other means

nifuratronum nifuratrone N-(2-hydroxyethyl)-a-(5-nitro-2-furyl)nitrone

пıvacortolum ліvacortol 2'-(p-fluorophenyl)-2'H-17 α -pregna-2,4-dien-20-yno[3,2-c]pyrazol-17-ol $C_{21}H_{21}FN_2O$

8-amino-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-methyl-4-phenylisoquinoline $C_{16}H_{16}N_2$

orazamidum orazamide

5-aminoimidazole-4-carboxamide orotate C₄H₅N₄O- C₅H₄N₂O₄

panidazolum panidazole

4-[2-(2-methyl-5-nitroimidazol-1-yl)ethyl]pyridine $C_{11}H_{12}N_4O_2$

pendecamainum pendecamaine

(carboxymethyl)dimethyl(3-palmitamidopropyl)ammonium hydroxide inner salt $C_{23}H_{46}N_2O_3$

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{CH}_3 \\ \text{C}_{15}\,\text{H}_{31} - \text{CO-NH-}(\text{CH}_2)_3 - \stackrel{\text{N-CH}_2}{\text{N-CH}_2} - \text{COO}^* \\ \text{CH}_3 \end{array}$$

Chemical Name or Description, Molecular and Graphic Formulae

penfluridolum penfluridol 4-(4-chloro-a,a, α -trifluoro-m-tolyl)-1-[4,4-bis(p-fluorophenyl)butyl]-4-piperidinol $C_{2\theta}H_{27}ClF_5NO$

polihexanidum polihexanide poly(iminoimidocarbonyliminoimidocarbonyliminohexamethylene monohydrochloride) $(C_4H_{17}N_5.HCl)_n$

pranosalum pranosal 2,5-dimethyl-1-pyrrolidinepropanol saticylate (ester) C16H23NO3

probucolum probucol acetone bis(3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)mercaptole C₃₁H₄₁O₂S₂

proxibutenum proxibutene 3-[(dimethylamino)methyl]-1,2-diphenyl-3-buten-2-ol propionate (ester) $C_{22}H_{27}NO_2$

proxifezonum proxifezone

(+)-4-(dimethylamino)-3-methyl-1,2-diphenyl-2-butanol propionate (ester) compound with 4-butyl-1,2-diphenyl-3,5-pyrazolidinedione (1 : 1) $C_{22}H_{29}NO_2\cdot C_{19}H_{20}N_2O_2$

rafoxanidum rafoxanide

3'-chioro-4'-(p-chiorophenoxy)-3,5-diiodosalicylanilide $C_{19}H_{11}Cl_2l_2NO_3$

Chemical Name or Description, Molecular and Graphic Formulae

roseum bengalense natricum (***I) rose bengal sodium (***I)

disodium 4,5,6,7-tetrachloro-2',4',5',7'-tetraiodofluorescein in which a portion of the molecules contain radioactive iodine (131) $C_{20}H_2Cl_4l_4Na_2O_5$

seroalbuminum humanum iodinatum (125|) iodinated (125|) human serum albumin

human serum albumin iodinated with radioactive iodine (1231)

seroalbuminum humanum iodinatum (¹³¹l) iodinated (¹³¹l) human serum albumin human serum albumin iodinated with radioactive iodine (1311)

sulfatrozolum sulfatrozole N'-(4-ethoxy-1,2,5-thiadiazol-3-yl)sulfanilamide C₁₀H₁₂N₄O₃S₂

suxibuzonum suxibuzone 4-butyl-4-(hydroxymethyl)-1,2-diphenyl-3,5-pyrazolidinedione hydrogen succinate (ester) $C_{24}H_{26}N_2O_4$

Chemical Name or Description, Molecular and Graphic Formulae

tefazolinum tefazoline $2\text{-}[(5,6,7,8\text{-tetrahydro-1-naphthyl})\,\text{methyl}]\text{-}2\text{-}imidazoline}$ $C_{14}H_{18}N_2$

Tiloronum Hilorone

2,7-bis[2-(diethylamino)ethoxy]fluoren-9-one $C_{28}H_{34}N_2O_3$

tosactidum tosactide a¹⁻²•corticotropin (human) or H-L-Ser-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-Arg-L-Arg-L-Pro-L-Val-L-Lys-L-Val-L-Tyr-L-Pro-L-Asp-L-Ala-Gly-L-Glu-OH
C₁50H230N44O3■S

trantelinii bromidum trantelinium bromide

8-methyltropinium bromide xanthene-9-carboxylate $C_{23}H_{24}BrNO_3$

trenbolonum trenbolone

17β-hydroxyestra-4,9,11-trien-3-one C₁∍H₂₂O₂

xenonum (133Xe) xenon (133Xe) radioactive хепоп (¹³³Хе) Хе

NAMES FOR RADICALS AND GROUPS

Some preparations 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 system-

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

3,7-di-tert-butyl-1,5-naphthalenedisulfonate $C_{11}H_{22}O_4S_2^{2-}$

bunapsilate

o-[(2'-hydroxy-4-biphenylyl)carbonyl]benzoate C₂₀H₁₃O₄⁻⁻ fendizoate

n-dodecylsulfate C12H25O4S

laurilsulfate

AMENDMENTS TO PREVIOUS LISTS

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PROPOSED INTERNATIONAL NONPROPRIETARY NAMES (Prop. I.N.N.): LIST 18

delete inseri

> natrii radioiotalamas (125I) natrii iotalamas (126I) soium radioiotalamate (1251) sodium iotalamate (125])

p. 491: delete insert

> natrii radioiotalamas (131I) natrii iotalamas (131J) sodium radioiotalamate (1311) sodium iotalamate (131I)

p. 495; insert

> radiocesii chloridum (131Cs) cesii (131Cs) chloridum radiocesium chloride (131Cs) cesium (131Cs) chloride

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PROPOSED INTERNATIONAL NONPROPRIETARY NAMES (Prop. I.N.N.): LIST 19

p. 119: delete insert

> kellofyllinum visnafyllinum kellofylline visnafylline

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PROPOSED INTERNATIONAL NONPROPRIETARY NAMES (Prop. I.N.N.): LIST 22

ecinaminum etifelminum ecinamine etifelmine

p. 433: delete

delete

p. 428:

laramycinum an antibiotic obtained from cultures of Streplaramycin tomyces bikiniensis var. laranensis, or the same

insert

insert

substance obtained by any other means

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PROPOSED INTERNATIONAL NONPROPRIETARY NAMES (Prop. I.N.N.): LIST 23

p. 131: delete

> mofedionum oxazidionum mofedione oxazidione

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	delete	inseri
	natrii radiochromas (51Cr) sodium radiochromate (51Cr)	natrii chromas (⁵¹ Cr) sodium chromate (⁵¹ Cr)
<i>i</i>	natrii radio-iodidum (^{rat} I) sodium radio-iodide (^{rat} I)	natrii iodidum (¹³¹ 1) sodium iodide (¹³¹ 1)
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	natrii radiophosphas (32P) sodium radiophosphate (32P)	natrii phosphas (32P) sodium phosphate (32P)
p. 69:	delete	insert
	oleum radio-ethiodatum (¹³¹ I) radio-ethiodized oil (¹³¹ I)	oleum ethiodatum (131I) ethiodized (131I) oil
p. 83:	delete	insert
L. L. J. J. J.	radio-aurum (198Au) colloidale radio gold (198Au) colloidal	aurum (188Au) colloidale gold (188Au) colloidal
	radiocyanocobalaminum (60Co) radiocyanocobalamin (60Co)	cyanocobalaminum (⁶⁰ Co) cyanocobalamin (⁶⁰ Co)
; - (radiomerisoprolum (197Hg) radiomerisoprol (197Hg)	merisoprolum (¹⁹⁷ Hg) merisoprol (¹⁹⁷ Hg)
p. 84:		insert
	radioselenomethioninum (75Se) radioselenomethionine (78Se)	selenomethioninum (⁷³ Se) selenomethionine (⁷⁵ Se)
	radiotolpovidonum (131I) radiotolpovidone (131I)	tolpovidonum (¹³¹ I) tolpovidone (¹³¹ I)
p. 94:	delete	insert
	triacetyloleandomycinum triacetyloleandomycin	troleandomycinum troleandomycin

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.
- 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 pre-

^{*} 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.

iudice 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 the naming of substances which are acids, existing names generally used in chemistry which include the word "acidum" ("acid") should be used, if the name is adequate for practical use in therapy and pharmacy. In other circumstances, the substance should be named by a single word and not by a name which includes the word "acid". Where the word "acid" is not used in the name, as is customary in the penicillin series, a salt should preferably be named without modification of the parent acid name, e.g., "oxacillin" and "oxacillin sodium".
- 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".
- 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

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anywhere in the name. The syllable, or group of syllables, should, if possible, be used only for such substances.

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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.

Latin	English	French	
	•	-actide	synthetic polypeptides with a corticotrophin-like action
-actidum	-actide -andr-	-action) Shittletic bothbehines with a correctional time agree.
-andr-	*****	or -stan-	steroids, androgenic
or -stan-	or -stan-	or -ster-	aterolas, androgenie
or -ster-	or -ster-	-arol	anticoagulants of the coumarin type
-arolum	-arol	-aros -bamate	tranquillizers of the propanediol and pentanediol series
-bamatum	-bamate	-pamate barb	barbituric acids, hypnotic activity
barb	barb	baro hol	anabolic steroids
bal _.	bol	-caine	local anaesthetics
-cainum	-caine		antibiotics with cefalosporanic acid nucleus
cef-	cef-	cef-	penicillins: derivatives of carboxy-6-amino-penicillanic
-cillinum	-cillin	-cilline	acid
cort	cort	cort	steroids, glucocorticoids and mineralocorticoids, other than prednisolone derivatives
-crinum	-crine	-crine	acridine derivatives
-curium	-curium	-curium	curare-like drugs
	-cycline	-cycline	antibiotics, tetracycline derivatives
-cyclinum -estr-	-cycline -estr-	-estr-	estrogenic drugs
-estr- -forminum	-formin	-formine	guanidine oral antidiabetics
		gest	steroids, progestative
gest	gest	gli-	sulfonamide oral antidiabetics
gli-	gli-	gu- ia-	iodine-containing contrast media
io-	io-	-mer-	mercury-containing drugs, antimicrobial or diuretic
-mer-	-mer-	-moxine	monoamine oxidase inhibitors
-moxinum	-moxin	-mycine	antimicrobial antibiotics, produced by Streptomyces
-mycinum	-mycin	•	strains
nifur-	nifur-	nifur-	5-nitrofuran derivatives
-orexum	-orex	-orex	anorexigenic agents
-praminum	-pramine	-pramine	dibenzazepine, compounds of the imipramine type
-quinum	-quine	-quine	quinoline derivatives
-serpinum	-serpine	-serpine	derivatives of <i>Rauwolfia</i> alkaloids
sulfà-	sulfa-	s⊔lfa-	sulfonamides, used as antimicrobials
-tizidum	-tizide	-tizide	diuretics which are thiazide derivatives
-toinum	-toin	-toine	antiepileptics which are hydantoin derivatives
-verinum	-verine	-vérine	spasmolytics with a papaverine-like action
-inum	-ine	-ine	alkaloids and organic bases
-onum	-one	-one	ketones
-ium	-ium	-ium	quaternary amines