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Human Medicines Evaluation Division

Overview of (invented) names reviewed in November 2015 by the Name Review Group (NRG)

Adopted at the CHMP meeting of 14-17 December 2015

	NRG meeting		NRG meeting		NRG meeting		NRG meeting		NRG meeting		NRG meeting		2015	
	28 Jan 2015		25 Mar 2015		20 May 2015		01 Jul 2015		30 Sep 2015		25 Nov 2015		Accepted	Rejected
	Accepted	Rejected	Accepted	Rejected	Accepted	Rejected	Accepted	Rejected	Accepted	Rejected	Accepted	Rejected	Accepted	Rejected
Proposed (invented) names	26	22	22	27	19	39	21	25	35	37	51	43	174	193
Justification for retention of (invented) name *	4	2	3	1	1	1	0	2	2	5	1	5	11	16

*In case of objections to the proposed (invented) name(s), the applicant may justify the retention of the proposed invented name using the relevant justification form available on the EMA website.



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Total number of objections raised	45	25	53	53	69	53	47	17	76	30	75	57	365	235
Criterion - Safety concerns														
Similarity with other (invented) name	25	23	34	49	53	48	39	14	61	24	65	50	277	208
Conveys misleading therapeutic/pharmaceutical connotations	4	0	4	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	9	0
Misleading with respect to composition	7	1	3	2	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	10	5
Criterion - INN concerns														
Similarity with INN	0	1	1	0	4	2	2	0	5	1	7	5	19	9
Inclusion of INN stem	0	0	2	1	1	0	1	0	0	2	1	0	5	3
Criterion - Other public health concerns														
Unacceptable qualifiers	6	0	4	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	12	0
Conveys a promotional message	1	0	2	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	0	1	7	5
Appears offensive or has an inappropriate connotation	1	0	3	0	7	0	2	0	1	1	2	1	16	2
Similarity between name of individual active substance and fixed combinations and/or between fixed combinations	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	2	0
Similarity between name of prodrug and related active substance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	1	0	0	0	2	2	1	1	4	0	0	0	8	3

See *Guideline on the [Acceptability of Names for Human Medicinal Products Processed through the Centralised Procedure \(EMA/CHMP/287710/2014\)](#)* for detailed explanations of criteria used.