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Human Medicines Evaluation Division

Overview of (invented) names reviewed in September 2019 by the Name Review Group (NRG)

Adopted at the CHMP meeting of 14-17 October 2019

	NRG meeting 26-27 Feb 2019		NRG meeting 21-22 May 2019		NRG meeting 18 Sep 2019		NRG meeting 22 Nov 2019		2019	
	Accepted	Rejected	Accepted	Rejected	Accepted	Rejected	Accepted	Rejected	Accepted	Rejected
Proposed (invented) names*	56	62	58	56	51	60	-	-	165	178
Justification for retention of (invented) name **	6	7	3	8	3	5	-	-	12	20

* Includes invented names, INN+MAH/TM and re-use applications.

** 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	139	182	109	141	150	191	-	-	398	514
Criterion - Safety concerns										
Similarity with other (invented) name	122	147	89	119	131	162	-	-	342	428
Conveys misleading therapeutic/pharmaceutical connotations	1	3	0	0	4	3	-	-	5	6
Misleading with respect to composition	0	0	0	1	0	0	-	-	0	1
Criterion - INN concerns										
Similarity with INN	5	5	5	2	9	1	-	-	19	8
Inclusion of INN stem	0	0	3	4	2	1	-	-	5	5
Criterion - Other public health concerns										
Unacceptable qualifiers	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	-	0	0
Conveys a promotional message	5	2	5	2	2	2	-	-	12	6
Appears offensive or has an inappropriate connotation	0	0	3	0	0	0	-	-	3	0
Similarity between name of individual active substance and fixed combinations and/or between fixed combinations	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	-	0	0
Similarity between name of prodrug and related active substance	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	-	0	0
Others	6	25	3	13	2	22	-	-	11	60

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.