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NRG position paper re-use of invented names of medicinal products

- Since 1995 to date, the NRG/CHMP has reviewed more than 3100 invented names that are currently held in the NRG database.
- In line with the NRG Position Paper on the Re-use of invented names of medicinal products (EMA/648795/2009), which comes into force on 1 January 2012, the following process will apply:
 - *All names accepted before 31 December 2008 will be removed from the database. If a name is to be considered for future products, a new submission of request to the NRG is necessary;*
 - *All names approved after 1 January 2009 are accepted for 3 years and rules stated in the above mentioned position paper are to be followed.*

