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Note on the removal of the target animal batch safety test (TABST) from European Pharmacopoeia monographs

The requirement for the target animal batch safety test (TABST) for veterinary vaccines was withdrawn from the European Pharmacopoeia, effective as of April 2013. As the test is no longer required, the Guideline on data requirements for removing the target animal batch safety test for immunological veterinary medicinal products in the EU (EMA/CVMP/IWP/810769/2011) no longer applies.

Guidance on the relevant actions to be taken in relation to products for which the test was previously required was issued by the Co-ordination Group for Mutual Recognition and Decentralised Procedures – Veterinary (CMDv) in its July-September 2012 and October-November 2012 reports, available at <http://www.hma.eu/151.html>. These documents also contain information on veterinary vaccines for which an exception to the need to remove the TABST exists.

