Union Product Database (UPD) release notes
Referring to version 1.7.2615

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Acronym key and glossary terms

ADO	Azure DevOps	**NAP**	Nationally Authorised Products
API	Application Programming Interface	**NCA**	National Competent Authority
APIM	API Manager	**NP**	National Procedure
AvS	Availability Status	**OMS**	Organisation Management Service
CA	Competent Authority	**OPAD**	Other Post Authorisation Data
CAP	Centrally Authorised Products	**PET**	Veterinary medicinal products intended for animals which are exclusively kept as pets: aquarium or pond animals, ornamental fish, cage birds, homing pigeons, terrarium animals, small rodents, ferrets and rabbits
CMDv	Coordination group for mutual recognition and decentralised procedures for veterinary medicinal products	**PMS**	Product Management Service
CMS	Concerned Member State	**PSMF**	Pharmacovigilance System Master File
CSV	Comma-separated values	**QPPV**	Qualified Person Responsible For Pharmacovigilance
DCP	Decentralised Procedure	**RMS**	Reference Member State
EAM	EMA Account Management	**RN**	Release Notes
EC	European Commission	**SIAMED**	EMA product information and application tracking system
EEA	European Economic Area	**SIT**	System Integration Testing
EMA	European Medicines Agency	**SMS**	Substances Management Services
EP	End Point	**SPOR**	Substances, Products, Organisations and Referentials
EU IG	European Union Implementation Guide	**SRP**	Subsequent Recognition Procedure
FHIR	Fast Healthcare Interoperability Resources	**UAT**	User Acceptance Testing
HF	Hot Fix	**UC**	User Case
HL7	Health Level Seven	**UI**	User Interface
JSON	JavaScript Object Notation	**UPD**	Union Product Database
LOC ID	Location identifier	**URN**	Uniform Resource Names
MAH	Marketing Authorisation Holder	**UUID**	Universally Unique Identifier
MDM	Master Data Management	**VNeeS**	Veterinary Non eCTD Electronic Submission
MRP	Mutual Recognition Procedure	**VNRA**	Variations not requiring assessment
MRPH	MRP products created after SPC harmonisation procedure	**VoS**	Volume of Sales
MS	Member State	**XML**	eXtensible Markup Language

Overview of key changes:

With every new release, the UPD release notes are updated to highlight to the user the changes compared to previous versions by detailing new/updated functionalities and/or issues that have been resolved, are known, and/or are newly reported.

Resolved issues since the previous release (UPD version 1.7.2544, released on 5 December 2025)	**31**
Known Issues	**24**
Next release's expected date	**Q2 2026 (to be determined)**

Overview of new functionality(ies):

- **MAH and NCA UI users can now retrieve volume of sales (VoS) data for multiple products through 'Retrieve volume of sales' menu page.**

    o NCA users can download VoS data for maximum one year for a specific Authorisation country. Country filter and date range are mandatory to download the results.

    o MAH users can download VoS data for maximum one year based on the provided date range and the filters for product search. Date range is mandatory to download the results.

    o Search button on the page provides the result in the search table of the products based on search criteria.

    o The date range selected does not affect the search results, but the results downloaded, are based on search filter and the date range selected.

    o New video tutorials '***How to view and download volume of sales data - NCA user***' and '***How to view and download volume of sales data - MAH user***' are available on the EMA UPD page.

- **Improved process of converting nationally authorised products (NAPs) to MRP after CMDv SPC harmonisation.**

    o NCA UI and API users will receive details related to product data validation and associated pending VNRA for all NAPs selected.

    o When an NCA user selects the NAPs, a warning message next to product details will be displayed if products have data compliance issue as per Vet EU IG Chapter 2.

    o When an NCA user selects the NAPs, a warning message will be displayed in case of ongoing VNRA(s) for these products.

    o 'Create product' button will not be available unless these errors (i.e. data quality and ongoing VNRAs) are resolved.

    o A CMS user can nullify the MRP product created after SPC harmonisation procedure during Update National data.

    o The video tutorial on the EMA UPD page '*How national products can be grouped under a mutual recognition procedure (MRP) at the end of CMDv summary of product characteristics (SPC) harmonisation procedure*' has been amended accordingly.

- **Mandatory use of Vet EU IG Chapter 2 validation rules for products creation.**

  - NCA UI and API users can create new products in UPD only in compliance with the Vet EU IG Chapter 2.

  - NCA UI and API users cannot create new products under the EU Vet IG Chapter 4 rules.

  - Vet EU IG Chapter 5 is updated with the relevant examples related to the validations of Vet EU IG Chapter 2.

  - Swagger UPD NCA page is also updated based on the available attributes for 'create' and 'update' products functionality.

    What changes for new products

  - The Chapter 2 / Chapter 4 'toggle switch' (located on the top right of the UPD user interface (UI)) has been removed, and any API request attempting to create a product in Chapter 4 mode will be rejected.

  - All mandatory fields as listed in Annex 1 of Vet EU IG Chapter 2 must now be completed. Missing data will trigger the usual validation errors.

  - The API no longer supports the chapter4=true header for Create endpoints. Create requests using this header will be rejected.

    What changes for existing products

  - Products created under Chapter 4 may continue to be updated using Chapter 4 rules, even if certain fields have not been completed.

  - The Chapter 2 / Chapter 4 "button" of the UPD UI remains available for updates, but it now defaults to Chapter 2.

  - NCA UI users must manually switch the "button" to Chapter 4 for the update to be accepted under the Chapter 4 validation rules.

  - NCA API users must specify Chapter 4 header for the update to be accepted under the Chapter 4 validation rules. By default Chapter 2 validation is applied.

- **Enhancements to the NCA API on VoS data.** An NCA API user can filter the VoS data on Authorisation country to allow faster download with more relevant data and have the product owner value in the retrieved VoS data.

  - NCA API user can now apply authorisation country filter along with permanent ID, date range and modified date.

  - In the VoS data csv file, Product owner is added as an additional column.

  - Vet EU IG Chapter 5 and Swagger UPD NCA page are updated with the country filter parameter details.

- **MAHs can now retrieve their VoS data via API.**

  - Retrieve VoS data via API endpoint is opened for MAH users.

  - MAH user can filter the data before downloading based on following parameters

    - Permanent ID

    - Date range

    - Modified date

- Authorisation country.
    - [Vet EU IG Chapter 5](#) and [Swagger UPD MAH page](#) are updated with the VoS API endpoint and filter parameters.
- **Enhancements to the Public API.** Members of the **general public and organisations can now retrieve via API product information (SPC, PL, Labelling) documents and public assessment reports.** [Vet EU IG Chapter 5](#) and [Swagger Public API page](#) are updated with the documents reference endpoint.

For information:

- The **product grouping information entered by the previous product owner is reset when an NCA transfer of ownership to product(s) or an NCA updates the product owner directly via product data update**. After transfer of ownership is applied to a product, the existing product grouping information entered by the former product owner is cleared. The new product owner can provide their own value of product grouping in the system.

- **Pagination is added to the NCA VNRA API endpoint**:
    - A new section "pageable" is added within the 'content' under variation resource in the response of the VNRA API retrieve submission request which provide the information related to pagination like page number, page size, total number of pages etc.
    - By default the parameter summary is 'TRUE' which then provide only the key data related to VNRA submission in response.
    - When parameter summary is set to 'FALSE', response provides the detailed VNRA information with default page size as 20 displaying the results from the first page.
    - NCA API user can use '_page' to navigate to a specific page number. Page 0 is the first page. Total number of pages are available in the pageable section within content in the result data.
    - User can also change the size of the page maximum till 100 records by using parameter '_size'.
    - Example of a VNRA submission API request : /upd/api/vnra/v3/{submission ID}?summary=false&_page=1&_size=100
    - [Swagger UPD NCA page](#) is updated with these pagination parameters.
- **For NCA and MAH UI users the VNRA view is by default partially collapsed** at the medicinal product level displaying most relevant information to submission. To expand the detailed information user can either expand at product level by clicking the arrow on the left upper side or click on expand all at the VNRA code level to expand all the product data within.

- **For MAH users: Only products with Authorisation status 'Valid', 'Pending' and 'Suspended' are included when a user selects '*Select all my non-CAPs products*' in VNRA submissions related to QPPV and/or PSMF data.**

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1. Summary of issues

1.1. Resolved issues

Use Case	Affects API and/or UI	Issue reference (ADO)	Resolved issues
UC01 Create product	NCA	298336	Error creating SRP because of errors in RMS packages
UC03 Search product	NCA & MAH UI	83234	Search limitations due to FHIR limitation or MS FHIR limitation.
UC03 Search product	NCA & MAH UI	293085	Organisation missing in the UI due to LOC-ID being missing on the cache
UC06 Submit VNRA	MAH UI	294784	Excluding surrendered and revoked products to be within C.1, C.5 and C.6 VNRAs when MAHs select 'apply to all non-CAPs' functionality.
UC07 Volume of Sales	MAH UI	296847	Datafix to correct the target species value in VoS submission
UC07 Volume of Sales	MAH UI	299296	Datafix to correct entries with wrong Package details for VoS submission
UC07 Volume of Sales	MAH UI	296400	Datafix to update the surrender date of packages for non-CAPs
UC08 Update product	API	248758	Update DCP via API, chapter 2, returns error when one CMS doesn't hold PSMF data
UC08 Update product	NCA UI	291562	Unable to update DCP, as CMSs are nullified
UC08 Update product	NCA UI	299381	Update DCP product(s) is blocked because of the dummy CMS products
UC08 Update product	NCA UI	302750	Datafix – Package details corrected for the products unable to be updated by NCA
UC08 Update product	NCA UI	302835	Datafix – Fix the package identifier values in the product to remove the block on common data update
UC08 Update product	NCA UI	290328	Datafix Documents delete last version in SharePoint + status correction and reference change
UC09 Approve Reject VNRA	NCA UI	295338	Datafix to reject VNRA submission which due to system error erroneously included surrendered and revoked products while using the '*Select all my non-CAPs products*' functionality
UC09 Approve Reject VNRA	NCA UI	281301	Submit button is enabled for VNRA submissions which are not under User's authority to Approve/reject
UC09 Approve Reject VNRA	NCA UI	298946	Root cause for VNRA submission was approved, but products were not updated with C.1 and C.6 changes
UC09 Approve Reject VNRA	NCA UI	287725	Wrong Date format for 'VNRA approved' and 'VNRA rejected' notifications

Use Case	Affects API and/or UI	Issue reference (ADO)	Resolved issues
UC09 Approve Reject VNRA	NCA UI	289474	Unable to View/Approve/Reject VNRAs from 2022
UC09 Approve Reject VNRA	NCA UI	292892	Decision Maker in VNRAs showing as 'XXXXXXXXXXX' or 'XXXXXXXXXX22'
UC09 Approve Reject VNRA	NCA UI	295500	Data fixes for Decision Maker in VNRAs showing as 'XXXXXXXXXXX' or 'XXXXXXXXXX22'
UC09 Approve Reject VNRA	NCA UI	293519	Luxembourg NCA unable to approve old VNRAs due to old ORG-ID
UC09 Approve Reject VNRA	NCA UI	298930	Datafix - VNRA submission was approved, but products were not updated with C.1 and C.6 changes
UC09 Approve Reject VNRA	NCA UI	301377	Datafix – Change the status of VNRA submission from Approved to partially approved and rejected variations with VNRA code B.12(a).
UC09 Approve Reject VNRA	NCA UI	301601	Datafix – Reject the VNRA submissions related to Expired products within the bulk VNRA submission for all the NON CAPs.
UC21 Notifications	NCA & MAH UI	284838	Automatic VNRA update failure not notified correctly
UC21 Notifications	NCA UI & MAH UI	276546	In Notifications Tab product status record information might be missing
UC28 View VNRA	NCA & MAH UI	287123	VNRA submission 8738 with overall status 'Pending' but status 'Rejected' for Products
UC28 View VNRA	NCA & MAH UI	287721	Malfunction of sorting in VNRA
UC31 VNRA via API	NCA UI	295336	Implement pagination for API users in VNRA
UC 38 Product Grouping	MAH UI	277195	Product is not showing its group when group products csv file is downloaded
SIAMED to ETL PMS	NCA & MAH UI	288087	SIAMED to PMS ETL CAP PackagedProductDefinition pack size term code set to -1
SIAMED to ETL PMS	NCA UI & MAH UI	215651	Purevax FeLV with 2 strengths in SIAMED and 3 products in UPD (instead of 2)

1.2. New issues since last release

This table is ordered by Use Case number. This section lists known issues in this release that have not previously been included in the Release Notes. Some issues had existed in a previous release, and some are new issues in this new release.

Use Case	Affects API and/or UI	Issue reference (ADO)	New Issue description	Workaround
UC03 Search Product	NCA API	293873	A user from one NCA who has both UPD and PMS permissions cannot retrieve data.	
UC05 View Product	NCA & MAH UI	294030	Non-CAP products have duplicated documents that should be removed	
UC05 View Product	NCA & MAH UI	302096	Marketing Authorisation date changing to adapt to User timezone	
UC07 Volume of Sales	MAH UI	284628	Deleted package for CAP is not present in file for VoS submission	
UC07 Volume of Sales	MAH UI	295424	For a CAP the Packing Size Number Value equals to 0 when downloading list of packages for VoS	
UC08 Update product	NCA UI	291624	Update DCP/MRP product-Deletion of the added 'Part name' is not possible via API and UI	
UC08 Update product	NCA UI	292429	Common Documents not deleted for CMS	
UC08 Update product	NCA UI	293389	Unable to upload document due to corrupted product folder	
UC08 Update product	NCA UI	299440	Common document not appearing for CMS products	
UC08 Update product	NCA UI	303015	Deleting a Common document while updating DCP does not remove the document from all CMS associated with the DCP.	
UC28 View VNRA	NCA & MAH UI	291909	Decision maker does not show sometimes in VNRAs	
UC35 Product search via API	NCA API	304182	Product search using master-file as search parameter provides wrong results when product search is done via API	

2. User support

API and UI users may seek support by contacting the User Support via [EMA Service Now](#).

For the technical team to address your query in a timely manner, please include the following information as appropriate:

- UI: Print screen of the information entered to create a veterinary product (go to your browser settings, select Print (or press Control + P) and "Save as PDF" on your computer

- API: Operational outcome of the unsuccessful task; the request URL and request headers; and for a Create or Update the request body

2.1. Available training materials and guidance

- [Webinars](#)
- [Video tutorials](#)
- [Guidance for National Competent Authorities](#)
- [Guidance for Marketing Authorisation Holders](#)
- [EU Implementation Guide](#)
- [Release notes](#)

3. References

1. [UPD registration guide for UI and API users](#)
2. [SPOR API Specification V2_R5 (europa.eu) API specifications for SMS and PMS, based on FHIR](#)
3. [HL7 FHIR Release 5 Preview 2: the authoritative source for the FHIR specifications used by EMA to implement SMS and PMS API](#)
4. [Referentials Management System](#)
5. [Additional information](#) on the Referentials Management System
6. [Organisations Management System](#)
7. [Additional information](#) on the Organisations Management System
8. [Substances Management System](#)

Annex 1: Overview of functionality and business value

Functionalities provided in this release

API	
	RMS can create DCP products (data and documents)
	RMS can create MRP products (data and documents)
	RMS can create SRP products (data and documents)
	RMS and CMS can complement DCP/MRP/SRP products with national DCP/MRP/SRP data and documents
	RMS can update Common data for DCP/MRP/SRP products (data and documents)
	NCA can create and update NAP products (data and documents)
	NCA can create & update Registered Homeopathic products (data and documents)
	NCA can create & update Parallel Trade products (data and documents)
	NCA can create & update Pet products (data and documents)
	NCA can group National Authorised products under an MRP following CMDv SPC harmonisation procedure (data and documents)
	NCA can Nullify product
	NCA can Search/view product (data and documents)
	NCA can Search, View and Approve/Reject VNRA submissions
	NCA can Approve/Reject VNRA submissions on behalf of other NCAs when a Supergrouping VNRA submission applies
	NCA can View Volume of Sales data
	MAH can Search/view product (data and documents)
	MAH can View Volume of Sales data
	General public can Search/view product (data and documents)

NCA UI	RMS can create DCP products (data and documents)
	RMS can create MRP products (data and documents)
	RMS can create SRP products (data and documents)
	RMS and CMS can complement DCP/MRP/SRP products with national DCP/MRP data (including documents)
	RMS can update Common data for DCP/MRP/SRP products (data and documents)
	NCA can create and update NAP products (data and documents)
	NCA can create & update Registered Homeopathic products (data and documents)
	NCA can create & update Parallel Trade products (data and documents)
	NCA can create & update Pet products (data and documents)
	NCA can group National Authorised products under an MRP following CMDv SPC harmonisation procedure (data and documents)
	NCA can save and retrieve drafts for product submissions
	NCA can Nullify product
	NCA can Bulk Upload Documents
	NCA can Transfer Marketing Authorisation
	Search/view/export products (data and documents)
	Notifications for Create and Update of products and Other Post-Authorisation Data actions
	View Volume of Sales information and download Volume of Sales data of maximum one year
	Search, View and Approve/Reject VNRA submissions
	NCA can Approve/Reject VNRA submissions on behalf of other NCAs when a Supergouping VNRA submission applies
	EMA and EC staff can update CAP products

MAH UI	Search/view/export products (data and documents)
	Notifications for Create and Update of products and Other Post-Authorisation Data actions
	Submit/View Volume of Sales information and download Volume of Sales data of maximum one year
	Submit VNRA and View VNRA submissions
	Submit Supergrouping VNRAs with the selection of the Foreseen Decision Maker that will approve/reject the whole submission on behalf of the others NCAs involved
	Submit updates for Marketing authorisation status
	Download and Submit updates for Availability status
	Submit Products Grouping
	Submit 3rd country product names

MAH Validation UI	Validate Volume of Sales submission file

Authorisation for NCA & MAH UI	Integration with EMA Account Management (EAM) system for CA and Industry (MAH) roles
	CA users may search and view all Vet products
	MAH users may search and view only products under the responsibility of the organisations the user represents

Banner for UPD UI	EMA can maintain messages to appear in banner of UPD UI

Functionality not included in this release

The following functionality is not included in this release.

NCA UI and API:

- None

MAH UI and API:

- None

General public API:

- None

Annex 2: Known issues

Issue reference is an internal number used by the UPD Project team when managing issues. It has been included as User Support may refer to this reference number when responding to your queries. In addition, you can include this reference number when contacting user support on this topic and seeking clarification.

Filter the columns to find those tickets relevant to your role and for NCAs whether you are an API or NCA User or both.

This table is ordered by Use Case number.

Use Case	Affects user	Issue reference (ADO)	Known Issue Description	Workaround
UC03 Search product	NCA API	274528	Different results between Search results for UPD portal (v3 API) and Public portal (v4 API)	
UC03 Search Product	NCA UI & MAH UI	277682	Incomplete list of Target species displayed in Search results and Summary card for products	
UC05 View product	NCA UI & MAH UI	207731	Product references are not being displayed properly for CAP products in the UPD UI	
UC06 Submit VNRA & UC28 View VNRA	MAH UI	189703	View VNRA submissions page fails to load results using the Submission Status filter = approved	
UC07 Volume of Sales	MAH UI	236491	Submission to a CAP surrendered package fails. User should be able to submit if package was surrendered less than 2 years ago.	
UC28 View VNRA	NCA UI & MAH UI	280085	Permanent Identifier appears in place of Loc-ID for View VNRA Submission Screen	
UC08 Update product	NCA UI	274506	Common documents have not been updated via API within the CMS Products	
UC08 Update product	NCA UI	251306	PSMF Location for one CAP is lost after QPPV email update	
UC25 Update Availability Status	MAH UI	276214	Availability status incorrectly stated on the product summary card	
SIAMED to ETL PMS	NCA UI & MAH UI	227315	CAPs are updated several times on the same day increasing the version numbers and causing unmanageable queues in the public portal	
SIAMED to ETL PMS	NCA UI & MAH UI	233428	Pre-authorisation product names are shown in UPD for some CAP products	

SIAMED to ETL PMS	EMA user	261428	When reference strength is entered in SIAMED, while data is being transferred to UPD / Strength and reference strength changes places	
SIAMED to ETL PMS	EMA	215513	SIAMED to UPD - CAP contains packages with Marketing Authorization status = Withdrawn which is not a valid term for the field	

Annex 3: Release Schedule

Environment	Closed from	Closed to	Expected to be open	Description
UAT	27 February 2026	2 March 2026	2 March 2026	Upgrade of UPD to **1.7.2615**
PROD	13 March 2026	16 March 2026	16 March 2026	Upgrade of UPD to **1.7.2615**