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EMA Veterinary Portfolio Reviews “Horizon scanning”

General feedback from the 2015-2016 review

EMA Veterinary Info Day 2017

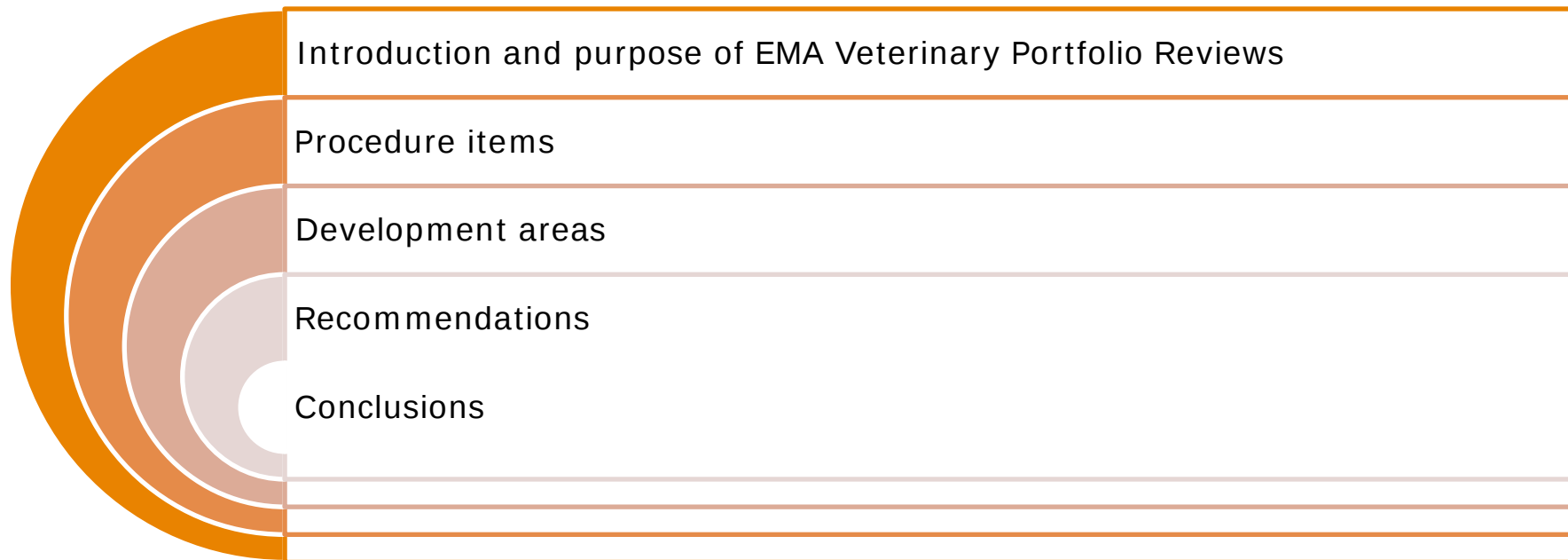
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Overview





EMA Veterinary Portfolio Reviews - introduction and purpose

History and background

- First time in 2011-2012; overview presented at EMA/IFAH–Europe Info Day in 2014
- An activity held on a regular base in the Human Division (Business Pipeline)

Participants and timing

- Inclusion by invitation, bilateral discussions in confidence
- Meetings held 2015-2016



Objective of EMA Veterinary Portfolio Reviews

- To anticipate challenges the EMA and its Veterinary Medicines Division might face in forthcoming years
- To facilitate the planning of the workload
- To have a dialogue on development trends
- To allow companies to share experience on the EMA/CVMP procedures
- To identify areas in possible need for improvement of work practices

Main topics raised on *procedures* and *regulatory items*

Support - continuous dialogue	• <i>throughout development and assessment</i>
ITF initiative	• <i>scope, possibility of parallel ITF with FDA/CVM</i>
SA procedure	• <i>wider advice, dialogue, parallel SA with FDA</i>
MRL requirements	• <i>excipients, “Art 6(3)” (MRL exemption for horses)</i>
MUMS requirements	• <i>“too demanding”</i>
Assessment	• <i>quality of assessment, advance dossier presentation</i>
Submission	• <i>one submission platform</i>
Global cooperation	• <i>regulatory authorities in other regions, VICH</i>



Main topics discussed on development trends

Example areas

- Alternatives to antimicrobials
- Therapies for chronic diseases
- Novel therapies
- Novel vaccines
- Other areas of interest

Operational recommendations for consideration

Dialogue	More open and continuous dialogue with applicants throughout development and regulatory phase Including dialogue in the scientific advice procedure
Feedback	Exchange feedback after procedures between an applicant and EMA/CVMP Use surveys
Communication	Informing more about the EMA support initiatives (e.g. ITF) E.g. newsletter
Submission	Implementation of the Common Repository throughout the network



Recommendations for consideration

More
guidance?

- Association (vaccines)
- Antimicrobials (specific substance types)
- MUMS/limited market (3 revised guidelines published, one in finalisation)
- Combinations (pharmaceuticals, vaccines)

Need for
expertise?

- Novel vaccines (specific biotechnological types)
- Nanotechnologies & nano-devices
- Antimicrobials (specific substance types)
- Novel therapies (monoclonal antibodies, stem cells, other)



Conclusions

Useful initiative:

- Facilitates prediction of expertise necessary in future
- Message given and received on need for more open and continuous cooperation between the Agency and applicants
- Regulatory and scientific challenges identified and development trends discussed
- Resource consumptive; sensitive

Next step: Further reflections on most useful timings, frequency, structure



Thank you for your attention

Further information

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