Fass – Electronic product information in Sweden



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Fass - the source of knowledge on medicines for more than 50 years



1966 Fass started as a service to distribute product information from the pharma companies to prescribers: *One* book instead of catalogues from each company

1983 Product information adapted for patients: Short texts, with the most important information

2001 The website <u>fass.se</u> was launched2013 Modernisation of digital platform and interfaces

2015 The last printed edition of Fass

2018 Basic information for <u>all</u> approved medicinal products in Sweden available on Fass via websites, apps and web integrations.
SmPC and PIL in XML format for the majority of marketed medicines in Sweden



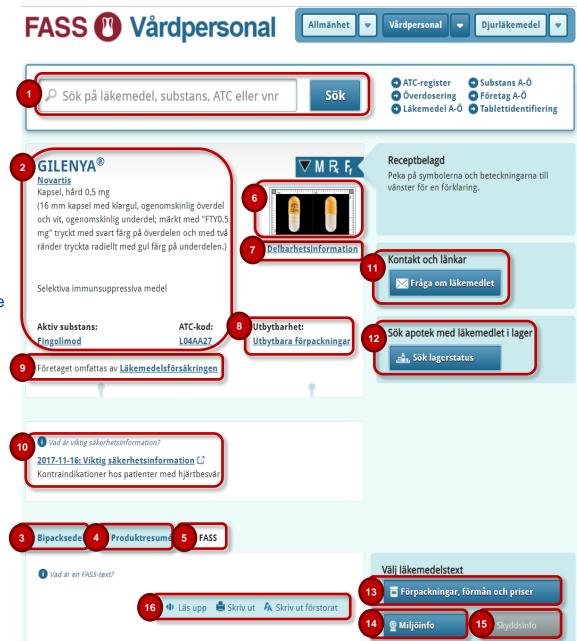
Electronic product information available in health care and pharmacy systems



- ~Half of all Fass sessions use Fass for HCPs.
- ~Half of all Fass sessions use Fass for the public.

Fass content and functionality

- 1. Search functionality
- 2. Basic product information.
- 3. Package leaflet
- 4. Summary of Product Characteristics.
- 5. Fass-text (version of the SmPC adapted to HCP).
- 6. Images of tablets and capsules.
- Information on medication management for capsules and tablets (i.e. whether they are to be swallowed without splitting, swallowed without crushing, may be split in two etc.).
- 8. Information on which generic products are classified as interchangeable by the Swedish Medical Products Agency (MPA).
- Information if the company participates in the <u>Swedish Pharmaceutical Insurance</u> (insurance system for injuries related to medicinal products).
- DHPC (Direct Healthcare Professional Communications), from the MPA.
- 11. Contact information to the companies.
- 12. Pharmacies' inventory status (to check if a specific medication is in stock in a certain pharmacy).
- 13. Packages and prices within the Swedish reimbursement system, and conditions in the reimbursement.
- 14. Swedish environmental classification of pharmaceuticals.
- 15. Safety information for work environmental purposes.
- 16. Text-to-speech, print, print in large text.



Alerts on changes of product information

Fass for the public



Fass for mobile devices

- 1. Search product or substance
- 2. Basic information
- 3. Package leaflet
- 4. Expand selected text section
- 5. Pharmacies' inventory status (to check if a specific medication is in stock in a certain pharmacy). Check for pharmacies nearby.



