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HMPC Feedback

Extracts from HMPC meetings January 2015 and November 2014

PCWP/HCPWP Joint meeting 4 March 2015



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HMPC meeting January 2015

European Union herbal monographs, list entries and public statements for adoption for release for public consultation

- List entry on *Crataegi folium cum flore* (Hawthorn leaf and flower)
- Monograph on *Myrtilli fructus recens and siccus* (Billberry fruit)



European Union Herbal Monographs for adoption after public consultation

HMPC adopted the following Herbal Union Monographs after public consultation:

- Agrimonia herba (Agrimony) – adopted by a majority vote, 29-1
- Eschscholziae herba cum flora (California poppy) – adopted by consensus
- Ginkgo folium – adopted by consensus, 21-9
 - Herbal medicinal product for the improvement of (age-associated) cognitive impairment and of quality of life in mild dementia (weu indication)
 - Traditional herbal medicinal product for the relief of heaviness of legs and the sensation of cold hands and feet associated with minor circulatory disorders, after serious conditions have been excluded by a medical doctor (traditional use indication)



Herbal medicinal products and Food supplements

HMPC commented on EFSA Scientific opinion on Health claims of Chicory inulin

- Presidency meeting in Rome in HMPC focused on borderline issues
- Comments focused on claim “increase the normal” and relevance of the studies (constipated patients, few patients)

Public statements on substances available in the food chain as well as in herbal medicinal products

Statements for final adoption:

- Public statement on the use of herbal medicinal products containing toxic, unsaturated pyrrolizidine alkaloids (PA's).

Statements for adoption for public consultation (deadline for comments 31 March 2015)

- Public statement on the use of herbal medicinal products containing estragole.
- Public statement on the use of herbal medicinal products containing pulegone and menthofuran



PCWP and HCPWP communication with HMPC

- HMP's mostly sold as OTC products – direct to patients
- PCO's or HCPO's have no membership in HMPC
- HMPC interested in extended communication
- PCWP and HCPWP meetings valuable fora for exchange of ideas and information
- Message to take to HMPC?



Thank you for your attention

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