



# **Risk Management Plans**

## **Review of Experience**



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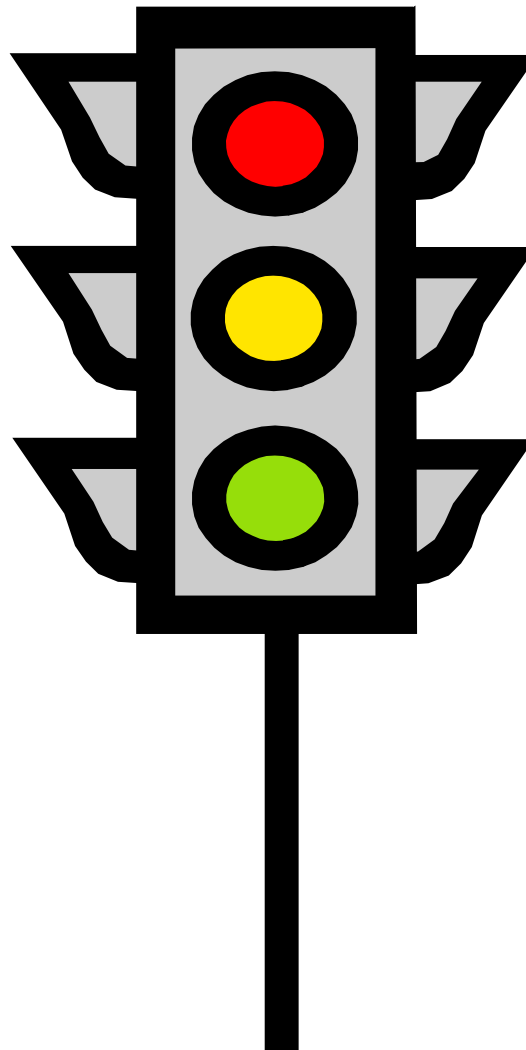
November 05 till September 06



	Positive CHMP Opinions	RMP
MAA	31	29
Extensions of Indication	27	13
Line Extensions	3	1



# Safety Specifications





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## Non Clinical



## Clinical



- Limitation of human safety database

- Clinical trial population
- Post-marketing exposure (if any)



- Populations not studied

- Post-marketing experience (actual use vs SPC)



- Adverse reactions

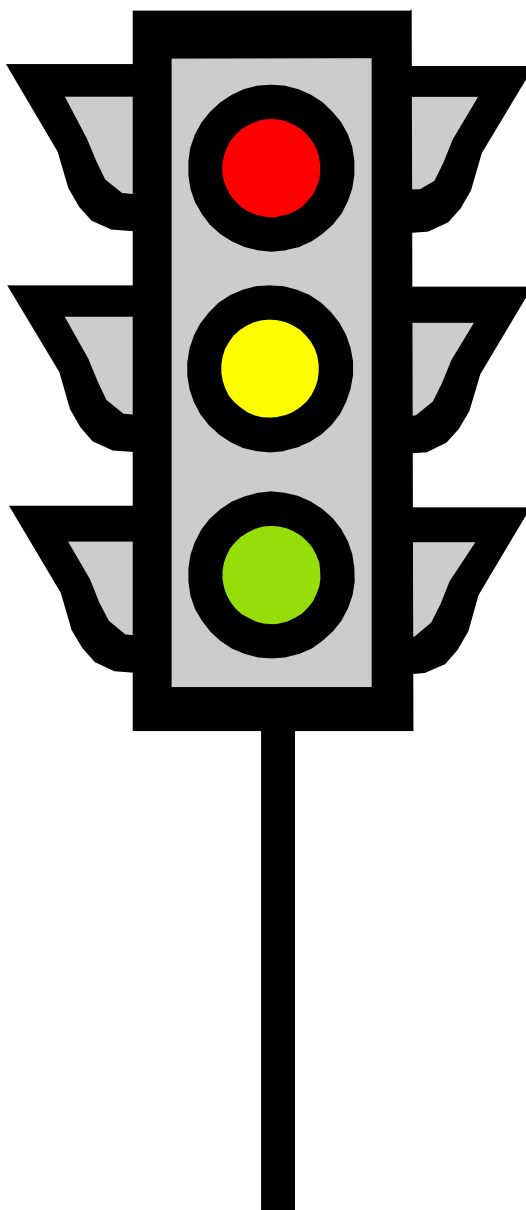
- Risks (identified or potential)


- Identified and potential interactions

- Epidemiology


- Pharmacological class effects

## EU Specific






**“ this EU Risk Management plan  
fulfils the requirements of article  
8(3)(ia) of Directive 2001/83/EC and  
conforms to the EMEA Guideline on  
Risk Management Systems for  
Medicinal Products for Use  
(EMEA/CHMP/96268/2005 ) ”**



**“ Overall, █████ offers significant advantage in overall survival and is an alternative to █████ for patients with █████ that prolongs survival and has a positive benefit- risk profile ”**



## Epidemiology



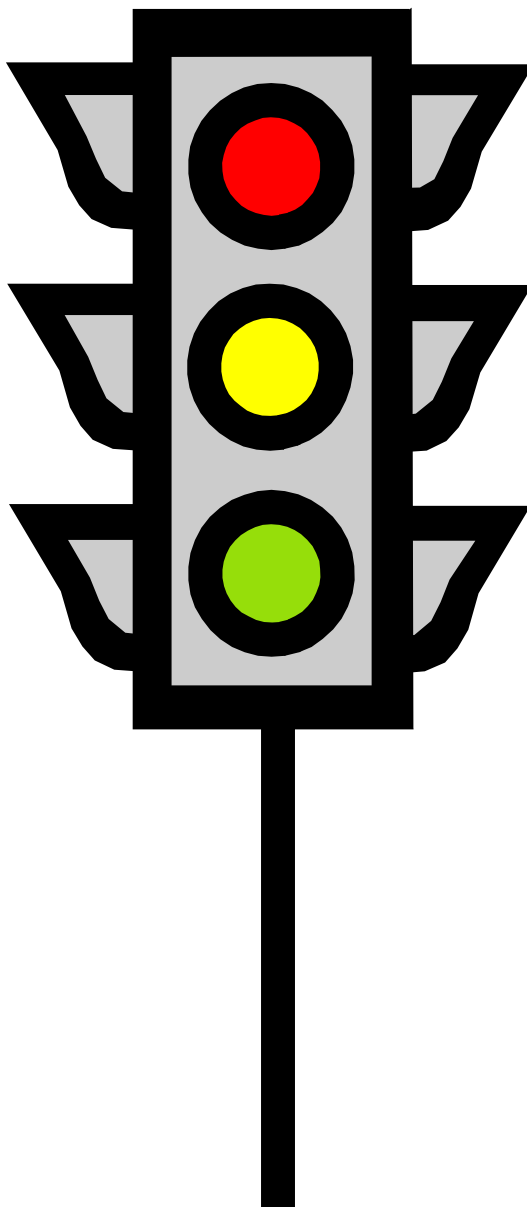
**“Due to the limited population examined in pre-marketing studies, there is not sufficient data to provide conclusive assessments regarding incidence, prevalence, mortality, demographic and geographic variations”**






## Summary of the safety specification

**“ There are no safety concerns with [REDACTED] , therefore there is no need for a pharmacovigilance plan or risk minimisation activities ”**






## Limitations of the safety database



“ Safety evaluations of ██████ were based on an extensive safety database of 5409 patients who participated in phase II or III trials of  $\geq 12$  weeks. A total of 2006 and 1228 patients were exposed to ██████ as monotherapy and as add on combination therapy. The total aggregate exposure to ██████ was 995 patient years as monotherapy and 528 patient years as an add on therapy.”

Clinical trial population aged 18 - 80



“All clinical trials in the development programme for [REDACTED] required women to use adequate contraception and to undergo a pregnancy test at screening and periodically during the study. There are limited data on the safety of [REDACTED] during pregnancy (see SCS-section 9.1 M2, 2.7.4 p162)”



How many women became pregnant?



What went wrong?

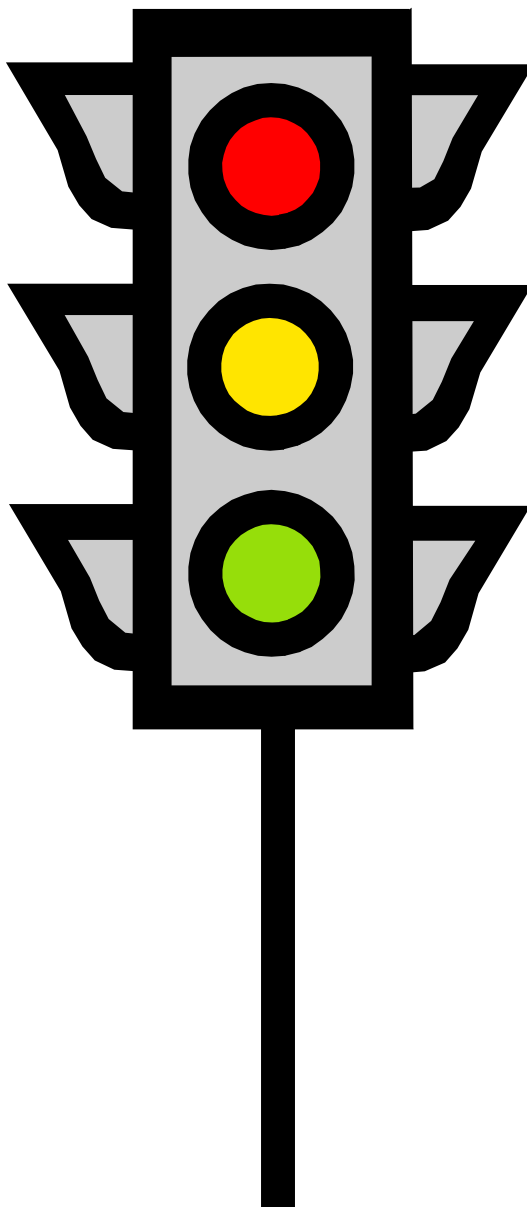


What were the outcomes?

## Adverse reactions

My favourite RMP recipe  
547 serious adrs,  
3059 adrs  
That should keep the  
regulators nice and quiet!







## Limitations of human safety database

**Table x: Exposure by baseline disease**

	No of patients Total ( male/female )
Diabetic nephropathy	65 (39/26)
Hypertensive nephropathy	71 ( 47/24)
Glomerulonephritis	207 (143/64)
Other	246 (140/106)

**Table y: Special population exposure**

Population	Number of patients
Children (<12 years)	None
Elderly (>75 years)	14
Pregnant or lactating women	None
Relevant co-morbidities	57
•Hepatic impairment	243
•Cardiac disease	....
•etc	
Genetic polymorphism	Not applicable
Ethnic origin	
•Caucasian	584
•other	5



## Adverse Events : epistaxis



Incidence		Placebo		Drug X		Odds ratio: 95%CI	
Adult short term studies		32/775 (4%)		45/ 766 (6%)		1.44: 0.91 - 2.29	
Adult long term studies		17/202 (8%)		124/ 608 (20%)		2.76: 1.61 - 4.73	
Severity		All events in either placebo or active were mild or moderate in nature except for 1 subject who experienced 2 severe episodes. No serious event of epistaxis reported during clinical trials.					
Discontinuations		15 subjects on active and 3 on placebo discontinued during long term studies					
Time to onset		The majority of first events in long term studies occurred within the first 24 weeks of Rx.					
Cumulative incidence		≤ 2w	≤ 6 w	≤ 12 w	≤ 24 w	1-52 w	
Placebo N=202		1 (<1%)	6 (3%)	8 (4%)	15 (7.5 %)	17 (8%)	
Active N=608		11 (2%)	40 (7%)	72 (12%)	111 (18%)	125 (20%)	
Epidemiology data		There are currently no population –based estimates of epistaxis prevalence among ■■■■ sufferers. Data from the published literature has shown that among patients with ■■■■ in clinical trials, epistaxis had a reported incidence of 17-23% vs a placebo incidence of 10-15% { Fisher 2004}. The placebo incidence of epistaxis in this programme was 4% for short term and 8% for long term studies					

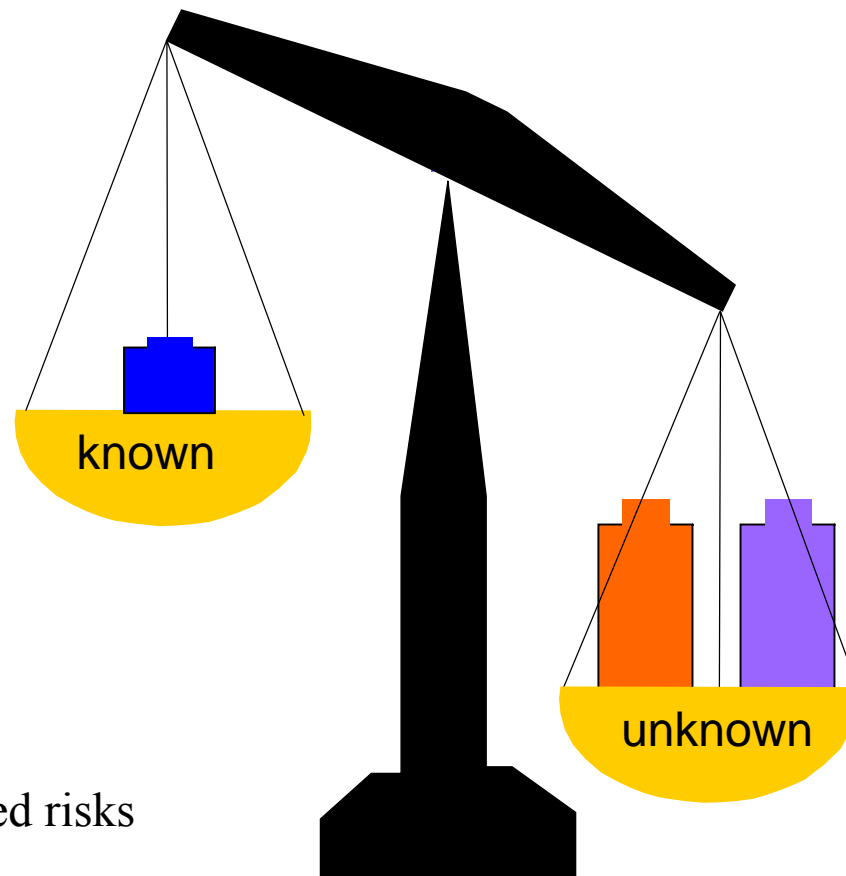







# Pharmacovigilance Plans



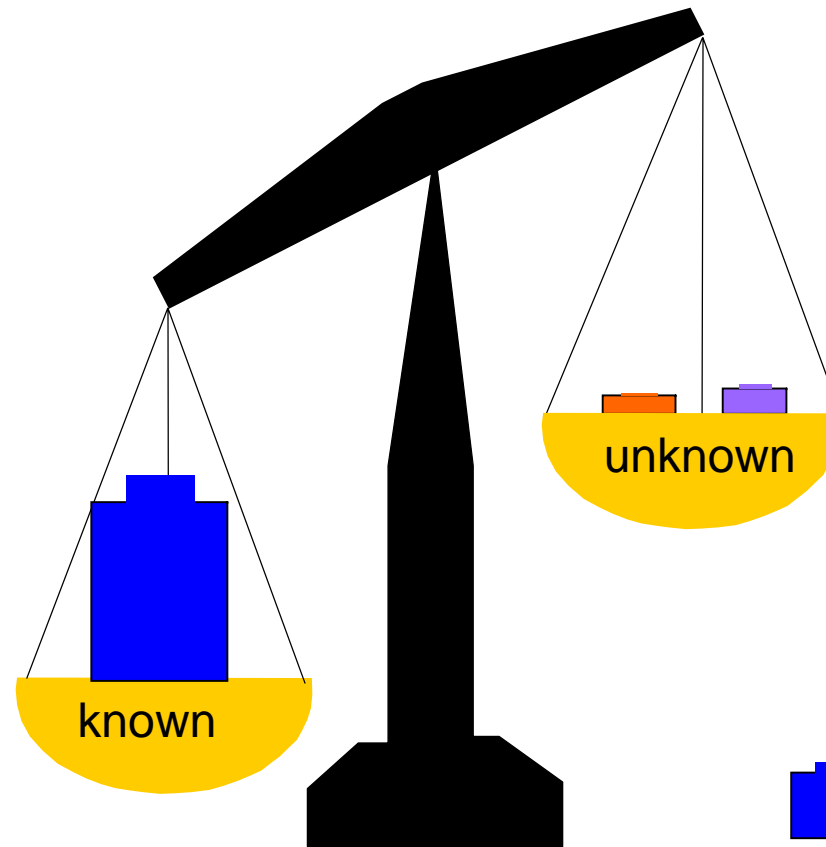
# At time of the marketing application



-  Identified risks
-  Potential risks
-  Missing information



# Mature Product



Identified risks



Potential risks



Missing information





## Key things to think about with PhV Plans



What are the important potential risks?



What is the important missing information?



Are there obvious questions?

Paediatric medicines



Long term use?



What is the most appropriate way to investigate?



## Numbers of exposed patients needed to detect adrs

Expected incidence of adr		Required number of adrs to detect signal		
		1	2	3
1 in	100	300	480	650
1 in	200	600	900	1,300
1 in	1,000	3,000	4,800	6,500
1 in	2,000	6,000	9,600	13,000
1 in	10,000	30,000	48,000	65,000

No background incidence of disease



## Numbers of exposed patients needed to detect adrs



Incidence of adr to be detected	Spontaneous background incidence	<i>Minimum</i> number of patients
1 in 100	1 in 10,000	520
	1 in 1,000	730
	1 in 100	2,000
1 in 500	1 in 10,000	3,200
	1 in 1,000	6,700
	1 in 100	35,900
1 in 1,000	1 in 10,000	7,300
	1 in 1,000	20,300
	1 in 100	136,400
1 in 5,000	1 in 10,000	67,400
	1 in 1,000	363,000
	1 in 100	3,255,000



# **Evaluation of the need for risk minimisation activities**





## Evaluation of the need for risk minimisation activities

“ none of the safety concerns were serious and they can be managed by the means of the proposals in the pharmacovigilance plan. Therefore there is no need for a risk management plan.”



## Safety concern

Abnormal LFTs

Routine risk min? **YES**

### 4.4

Monitor LFTs every month for the first 4 months. If levels rise >ULN monitor weekly. Levels >2 but <5 ULN decrease dose by 50% and monitor weekly. If levels continue to rise consider further dose reduction or discontinuation. ULN >5 discontinue immediately

### 4.8

very common abnormal LFTs

17 % of the clinical trial population had a rise in LFTs during the 24 week study. For 97% this started between 4 and 10 weeks after starting X. For the majority of patients, this was a transient rise which had spontaneously resolved by the next blood test. 2% went on to develop grade 3 or 4 abnormalities. This safety concern can be managed by a warning in section 4.4 advising doctors to monitor LFTs and a mention in 4.8.



## Potential for medication errors

“There were medication errors identified in clinical trials presumably due to misunderstanding of, or non-compliance with, drug administration instructions.”

Dose	10 mg	20 mg	40 mg
Shape	Round	Round	Round
Size mm	6.2 x 2.8	7.9 x 3.3	9.8 x 4.3
Colour	Pink	Light beige	Beige



## Key messages



The EU-RMP is NOT a bureaucratic box to be ticked



Your audience are PhV people

Science not marketing!



Important to present relevant facts clearly and concisely but with sufficient detail for evaluation



The Safety Specification is the key to the EU-RMP



Base the PhV Plan and evaluation of the need for risk minimisation activities on the safety specification and think about how the medicine will be used and in whom



**Think about your risk  
management plan from the start  
of your product development**

