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COMMITTEE FOR VETERINARY MEDICINAL PRODUCTS
79th MEETING

Under the Chairmanship of Mr S. P. Dean the seventy ninth meeting of the Committee for Veterinary Medicinal Products took place in London on 9 – 11 July 2002.

CVMP Opinions on Medicinal Products

The Committee unanimously adopted a positive opinion and CVMP assessment report for a Type II variation on safety warnings on a pharmaceutical product and a positive opinion and CVMP assessment report for a Type I variation following, a Type II procedure, relating to quality aspects, on an immunological product.

Establishment of Maximum Residue Limits

The Committee unanimously adopted a positive opinion and CVMP summary report recommending the modification of the Annex II entry for trichlormethiazide allowing its use in dairy cows.

The Committee considered an appeal in respect to the MRL opinion for josamycin following the assessment of the responses to the list of questions further to the establishment of provisional MRL. The Committee confirmed the previous negative opinion regarding the establishment of MRLs for josamycin in chicken and porcine species.

	Opinions delivered since 1.1.1995	Applications under evaluation	Applications anticipated within the next 4 months
Centralised procedures	47	11	5
New MRL procedures¹	119²	4	4

¹ Applications submitted to the EMA after 01.01.1995

² Including 17 Opinions recommending definitive MRLs for substances with previously provisional MRLs

Guidelines, SOPs and Position Papers

The Committee adopted the following guidelines following the close of the consultation period:

- Guideline on specific efficacy requirements for ectoparasiticides in sheep (EMA/CVMP/411/01-FINAL)

This is the first of a new set of guidelines, which the CVMP and its Efficacy Working Party anticipate will facilitate the testing of ectoparasiticides in livestock. Further consideration is being given to developing similar guidelines in other livestock species.

- Guideline on pre-authorisation studies to assess the potential for resistance resulting from the use of antimicrobial veterinary medicinal products (EMA/CVMP/244/01-FINAL)

The adoption of this guideline is the culmination of considerable work by the Committee and its ad hoc group of experts to achieve one of the key recommendations of the CVMP Risk Management Strategy on Antimicrobial Resistance (January 2000), minimising transfer of resistance from animals to man following the use of antimicrobials in veterinary medicine.

The CVMP Report and Qualitative Risk Analysis on this subject published in June 1999 concluded, in line with other bodies of expert opinion, that animals can represent a reservoir of antibiotic resistant micro-organisms for humans (and vice versa) and a prudent use of antibiotics is therefore needed in veterinary as well as human medicine. This guideline is therefore seen as a critical milestone in ensuring that the regulatory process for veterinary medicines in the EU assesses critical information made available to determine the potential impact of the use of medicines on antimicrobial resistance in bacteria of animal origin with relevance to human health. There has been wide consultation with interested parties, whose input has been considered and appreciated by the Committee and its experts in the drafting of the guideline. This guideline will be a subject of discussion at the forthcoming EMA/FEDESA Infoday on 5-6 September 2002 and it will come into effect in January 2003.

The Committee adopted the following guideline for release for consultation:

- Note for Guidance on Quality of Modified Release Dosage Forms for Veterinary Use (EMA/CVMP/680/02-CONSULTATION)

Pharmacovigilance issues

A Periodic Safety Update Report (PSUR) on a centrally authorised product was considered by the Committee. The Committee concluded that the information available did not create a need for further action or changes to the Summary of Product Characteristic (SPC) of the product.

Further to the previous CVMP recommendation for additional precautionary statements to be added to the SPC for Baytril, a product authorised nationally, highlighting concerns regarding ocular toxicity at high doses in cats, and having considered further explanations of the Marketing Authorisation Holder, the Committee confirmed its previous recommendation to Member States to include in addition to the current restriction (“Do not exceed the recommended dose rate”) under “Posology and method of administration” the following warning in the SPC:

Under “Special warnings for each target species”

“Retinotoxic effects including blindness can occur in cats when the recommended dose is exceeded”

Antimicrobial Resistance

The Committee heard an interim report from the Centre Européen d'Etudes pour la Santé Animale (CEESA) concerning the ongoing surveillance programme regarding antimicrobial resistance development and commended CEESA on the extent and content of the report.

Availability of Medicines

The CVMP ad-hoc group on risk assessment for MRLs and availability met for the second time this year within the margins of the CVMP to discuss further actions with the objective to improve the availability of veterinary medicines in the EU. The group explored further opportunities for the generation of further data to support MRL applications for certain entities identified as essential in veterinary medicines.

International Harmonisation

The Committee further reflected on, and made comments to the VICH draft guideline: GL27 on pre-approval information for registration of new veterinary medicinal products for food-producing animals with respect to antimicrobial resistance following the close of the consultation period and the adoption of the CVMP on the same topic. These comments take into account the key elements of the CVMP antimicrobial resistance guideline on the subject (EMEA/CVMP/244/01-Final) adopted at the same meeting.

The next meeting of the CVMP will be held on 3 – 5 September 2002

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Maximum Residue Limits for New Substances adopted by the Community since January 2000

Substance a) INN	Therapeutic area a) Target species	EMEA/CVMP a) Validation b) Opinion c) Active time d) Clockstop	Commission a) Sent to Commission b) Date of the regulation c) OJ No.
a) Bismuth subnitrate (extension)	a) Bovine	a) 18.06.99 b) 13.10.99 c) 113 days d) 0	a) 12.11.99 b) 19.06.00 c) OJ No. L 145 of 20.06.00
a) Acetyl isovaleryl tylosin tartrate	a) Porcine	a) 18.10.95 b) 13.10.99 c) 195 days d) 1260 days	a) 12.11.99 b) 19.06.00 c) OJ No. L 145 of 20.06.00
a) Methylprednisolone	a) Bovine	a) 13.07.99 b) 13.10.99 c) 92 days d) 0	a) 12.11.99 b) 19.06.00 c) OJ No. L 145 of 20.06.00
a) Deltamethrin (extension)	a) Fin fish	a) 09.12.99 b) 08.03.00 c) 90 days d) 0	a) 07.04.00 b) 15.09.00 c) OJ No. L234 of 16.09.00
a) Tylosin (extension)	a) Eggs	a) 09.11.99 b) 08.03.00 c) 90 days d) 0	a) 07.04.00 b) 15.09.00 c) OJ No. L234 of 16.09.00
a) Dicyclanil	a) Ovine	a) 25.02.97 b) 08.03.00 c) 281 days d) 825 days	a) 07.04.00 b) 15.09.00 c) OJ No. L234 of 16.09.00
a) Tilimicosin (extension)	a) Rabbit	a) 16.07.99 b) 13.10.99 c) 86 days d) 0	a) 12.11.99 b) 20.10.00 c) OJ No. L269 of 21.10.00
a) Flumequine (extension)	a) Bovine milk & turkey	a) 27.07.99 b) 10.11.99 c) 89 days d) 0	a) 09.12.99 b) 20.10.00 c) OJ No. L269 of 21.10.00
a) Tiamulin (extension)	a) Rabbit	a) 14.10.99 b) 12.01.00 c) 90 days d) 0	a) 11.02.00 b) 20.10.00 c) OJ No. L269 of 21.10.00
a) Dicyclanil (modification)	a) Sheep fat	a) 23.02.00 b) 17.05.00 c) 84 days d) 0	a) 16.06.00 b) 27.10.00 c) OJ No. L276 of 28.10.00
a) Butafosfan (extension)	a) Dairy cattle	a) 19.01.00 b) 19.04.00 c) 90 days d) 0	a) 19.05.00 b) 27.10.00 c) OJ No. L276 of 28.10.00
a) Tilimicosin (extension)	a) Bovine milk	a) 22.02.99 b) 19.04.00 c) 203 days d) 210 days	a) 19.05.00 b) 27.10.00 c) OJ No. L276 of 28.10.00

Substance a) INN	Therapeutic area a) Target species	EMEA/CVMP a) Validation b) Opinion c) Active time d) Clockstop	Commission a) Sent to Commission b) Date of the regulation c) OJ No.
a) Phoxim (extension)	a) Ovine	a) 19.01.00 b) 19.04.00 c) 90 days d) 0	a) 19.05.00 b) 27.10.00 c) OJ No. L276 of 28.10.00
a) Flumethrin (extension)	a) Ovine	a) 19.01.00 b) 19.04.00 c) 90 days d) 0	a) 19.05.00 b) 27.10.00 c) OJ No. L276 of 28.10.00
a) Flunixin (extension)	a) Equidae	a) 23.03.00 b) 21.06.00 c) 90 days d) 0	a) 21.07.00 b) 29.12.00 c) OJ No. L336 of 30.12.00
a) Toltrazuril (extension)	a) Porcine	a) 16.02.99 b) 21.06.00 c) 206 days d) 284 days	a) 21.07.00 b) 29.12.00 c) OJ No. L336 of 30.12.00
a) Halofuginone	a) Bovine	a) 10.12.96 b) 21.06.00 c) 281 days d) 1008 days	a) 21.07.00 b) 29.12.00 c) OJ No. L336 of 30.12.00
a) Difloxacin (extension)	a) Bovine, Porcine	a) 14.07.98 b) 21.06.00 c) 205 days d) 503 days	a) 21.07.00 b) 29.12.00 c) OJ No. L336 of 30.12.00
a) Linear dodecyl benzene sulfonic acid	a) Bovine	a) 22.01.99 b) 19.07.00 c) 195 days d) 321 days	a) 18.08.00 b) 25.04.01 c) OJ No. L118 of 27.04.01
a) Phoxim (extension)	a) Ovine	a) 19.01.00 b) 19.07.00 c) 120 days d) 0	a) 18.08.00 b) 25.04.01 c) OJ No. L118 of 27.04.01
a) Florfenicol (extension)	a) Fin fish	a) 29.10.96 b) 11.10.00 c) 212 days d) 1230 days	a) 08.11.00 b) 29.06.01 c) OJ No. L177 of 30.06.01
a) Meloxicam (extension)	a) Porcine	a) 07.09.00 b) 06.12.00 c) 90 days d) 0	a) 04.01.01 b) 27.06.01 c) OJ No. L175 of 28.06.01
a) Tilimicosin (extension)	a) Turkey	a) 07.09.00 b) 06.12.00 c) 90 days d) 0	a) 04.01.01 b) 27.06.01 c) OJ No. L175 of 28.06.01
a) Doramectin (extension)	a) Reindeer	a) 11.12.97 b) 10.01.01 c) 203 days d) 923 days	a) 09.02.01 b) 18.07.01 c) OJ No. L195 of 19.07.01
a) Rafoxanide	a) Bovine, ovine	a) 11.02.97 b) 10.01.01 c) 193 days d) 1236 days	a) 09.02.01 b) 18.07.01 c) OJ No. L195 of 19.07.01

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a) Tiludronate	a) Equine	a) 12.10.00 b) 10.01.01 c) 90 days d) 0	a) 09.02.01 b) 18.07.01 c) OJ No. L195 of 19.07.01
a) Moxidectin (extension)	a) Bovine milk	a) 09.10.00 b) 14.02.01 c) 90 days d) 0	a) 16.03.01 b) 30.07.01 c) OJ No. L205 of 31.07.01
a) Tosychloramide Sodium (extension)	a) Bovine	a) 20.01.00 b) 14.03.01 c) 120 days d) 298 days	a) 06.04.01 b) 22.08.01 c) OJ No. L227 of 23.08.01
a) Bronopol (extension)	a) Salmonidae	a) 15.03.01 b) 13.06.01 c) 90 days d) 0	a) 06.07.01 b) 07.11.01 c) OJ No. L291 of 08.11.01
a) Deltamethrin (extension)	a) Fin fish	a) 09.11.99 b) 13.06.01 c) 177 days d) 404 days	a) 06.07.01 b) 07.11.01 c) OJ No. L291 of 08.11.01
a) Methylprednisolone	a) Bovine	a) 13.07.99 b) 11.07.01 c) 177 days d) 535 days	a) 02.08.01 b) 17.01.02 c) OJ No. L16 of 18.01.02
a) Acetylisovaleryltylosin (extension)	a) Bovine	a) 12.04.01 b) 11.07.01 c) 84 days d) 0	a) 03.08.01 b) 17.01.02 c) OJ No. L16 of 18.01.02

**Veterinary Medicinal Products that have been granted a Community marketing authorisation
 since January 2000**

Product a) Brandname b) INN c) Part A/B	Company a) Name b) Origin	Therapeutic area a) Target species b) Indication	Presentation a) Form b) Dosage c) No. of presentations	EMEA/CVMP a) Validation b) Opinion c) Active time d) Clockstop	Commission a) Opinion received b) Decision c) Notification d) OJ No.
a) Ibraxion b) Inactivated vaccine c) Part A	a) Merial b) FR	a) Cattle b) Vaccine against IBR	a) Emulsion for injection	a) 17.11.98 b) 10.11.99 c) 210 days d) 176 days	a) 10.12.99 b) 09.03.00 c) 10.03.00 d) OJ No. C 95 of 04.04.2000
a) Metacam b) Meloxicam c) Part B extension	a) Boehringer Ingelheim b) DE	a) Dogs b) Alleviation of pain and inflammation	a) Oral suspension b) 1.5 mg/ml c) 3	a) 12.01.99 b) 10.11.99 c) 210 days d) 92 days	a) 10.12.99 b) 24.03.00 c) 27.03.00 d) OJ No. C 120 of 28.04.00
a) Metacam b) Meloxicam c) Part B extension	a) Boehringer Ingelheim b) DE	a) Dogs b) Initiation therapy for alleviation of pain and inflammation	a) Solution for injection b) 5 mg/ml c) 1	a) 12.01.99 b) 10.11.99 c) 210 days d) 92 days	a) 10.12.99 b) 24.03.00 c) 27.03.00 d) OJ No. C 120 of 28.04.00
a) Incurin b) Oestriol c) Part B	a) Intervet b) NL	a) Dogs b) Hormone-dependent urinary incontinence	a) Scored tablets b) 1 mg c) 1	a) 14.07.98 b) 08.12.99 c) 210 days d) 302 days	a) 07.01.00 b) 24.03.00 c) 29.03.00 d) OJ No. C 120 of 28.04.00
a) Rabigen SAG2 b) Live vaccine c) Part A	a) Virbac b) FR	a) Foxes b) Vaccine against rabies	a) Liquid within a blister pack embedded in a bait b) 8 log 10 CCID50 c) 2	a) 23.03.98 b) 08.12.99 c) 196 days d) 428 days	a) 07.01.00 b) 06.04.00 c) 10.04.00 d) OJ No. C 120 of 28.04.00
a) Eurifel FeLV b) Live vaccine c) Part A	a) Merial b) FR	a) Cats b) Vaccine against feline leukaemia	a) Pellet + diluent b) 1 ml c) 3	a) 12.01.99 b) 08.12.99 c) 183 days d) 120 days	a) 07.01.00 b) 13.04.00 c) 18.04.00 d) OJ No. C 120 of 28.04.00
a) Porcilis Pesti b) Inactivated vaccine c) Part A	a) Intervet b) NL	a) Pigs b) Marker vaccine against CSF	a) Water in oil emulsion b) 120 Elisa Units/2ml c) 3	a) 14.07.98 b) 13.10.99 c) 210 days d) 246 days	a) 12.11.99 b) 09.06.00 c) 14.06.00 d) OJ No. C 183 of 30.06.00
a) Ibaflin b) Ibafloracin c) Part B	a) Intervet b) NL	a) Dogs b) Pyoderma	a) Tablet b) 150 & 300mg c) 1	a) 12.01.99 b) 09.02.00 c) 210 days d) 184 days	a) 10.03.00 b) 13.06.00 c) 15.06.00 d) OJ No. C 183 of 30.06.00
a) Metacam b) Meloxicam c) Part B extension	a) Boehringer Ingelheim b) DE	a) Dogs b) Post-operative pain	a) Solution for injection b) 5mg/ml c) 1	a) 02.01.00 b) 19.04.00 c) 101 days d) 7 days	a) 28.04.00 b) 15.09.00 c) 18.09.00 d) OJ No. C 277 of 29.09.00
a) Econor b) Valnemulin c) Part B extension	a) Novartis b) AT	a) Pigs b) Prevention & treatment of dysentery	a) 0.5% premix b) various c) 2	a) 10.08.99 b) 19.04.00 c) 210 days d) 43 days	a) 19.05.00 b) 15.09.00 c) 20.09.00 d) OJ No. C 308 of 27.10.00

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a) Econor b) Valnemulin c) Part B extension	a) Novartis b) AT	a) Pigs b) Prevention /treatment of dysentery and treatment/control of enzootic pneumonia	a) 10%/50% premix b) various c) 2	a) 12.10.99 b) 08.03.00 c) 148 days d) 0	a) 07.04.00 b) 15.09.00 c) 20.09.00 d) OJ No. C 308 of 27.10.00
a) Econor b) Valnemulin c) Part B extension	a) Novartis b) AT	a) Pigs b) Prevention /treatment of dysentery and treatment/control of enzootic pneumonia	a) 10%/50% premix b) various c) 2	a) 12.10.99 b) 08.03.00 c) 148 days d) 0	a) 07.04.00 b) 15.09.00 c) 22.09.00 d) OJ No. C 308 of 27.10.00
a) Dicural b) Difloxacin c) Part B extension	a) Fort Dodge Animal Health b) NL	a) Cattle & Dogs b) Antibacterial for systemic use	a) Solution for injection b) 50 mg/ml c) 3	a) 16.12.98 b) 21.06.00 c) 203 days d) 351 days	a) 21.07.00 b) 24.10.00 c) 25.10.00 d) OJ No. C 337 of 28.11.00
a) Porcilis AR-T-DF b) Inactivated vaccine c) Part A	a) Intervet b) NL	a) Pigs b) Vaccine against atrophic rhinitis	a) Suspension for injection b) 2 ml c) 2	a) 12.01.99 b) 19.07.00 c) 204 days d) 336 days	a) 18.08.00 b) 13.11.00 c) 20.11.00 d) OJ No. C 2 of 05.01.01
a) Poulflox b) Difloxacin c) Part B	a) Virbac S.A. b) FR	a) Poultry b) Antibacterial for systemic use	a) Oral solution b) 100 mg/ml c) 3	a) 09.12.99 b) 21.06.00 c) 152 days d) 43 days	a) 21.07.00 b) 16.11.00 c) 20.11.00 d) OJ No. C 2 of 05.01.01
a) Pruban b) Resocortol butyrate c) Part B	a) Intervet b) NL	a) Dogs b) Anti-inflammatory for cutaneous inflammatory disorders	a) Cream b) 1 mg/ml c) 1	a) 15.09.98 b) 19.07.00 c) 196 days d) 477 days	a) 18.08.00 b) 16.11.00 c) 20.11.00 d) OJ No. C 2 of 05.01.01
a) Pirsue b) Pirlimycin c) Part B	a) Pharmacia b) BE	a) Dairy cattle b) Subclinical mastitis	a) Sterile solution b) 5 mg/ml c) 4	a) 12.01.99 b) 11.10.00 c) 210 days d) 428 days	a) 10.11.00 b) 29.01.01 c) 31.01.01 d) OJ No. C 53 of 20.02.01
a) Bayovac CSF E2 b) Live vaccine c) Part A	a) Bayer b) DE	a) Pigs b) Marker vaccine against classical swine fever	a) Emulsion for injection b) E2 glycoprotein of (CSF) virus c) 4	a) 16.12.98 c) 08.11.00 c) 210 days d) 309 days	a) 29.11.00 b) 02.02.01 c) 06.02.01 d) OJ No. C 53 of 20.02.01
a) Zubrin b) Tepoxalin c) Part B	a) Schering-Plough b) UK	a) Dogs b) Treatment of pain and inflammation	a) Oral lyophilisate b) 30, 50, 100 & 200 mg/ml c) 39	a) 18.05.99 b) 08.11.00 c) 210 days d) 330 days	a) 08.12.00 b) 13.03.01 c) 14.03.01 d) OJ No. C 127 of 27.04.01
a) Eurican Herpes 205 b) Inactivated vaccine	a) Merial b) FR	a) Dogs b) Vaccine against canine herpes	a) Powder + solvent for emulsion for injection	a) 13.07.99 b) 08.11.00 c) 209 days d) 274 days	a) 08.12.00 b) 26.03.01 c) 29.03.01 d) OJ No. C 127

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c) Part B			b) 1 ml c) 2		of 27.04.01
a) Metacam b) Meloxicam c) Part B extension	a) Boehringer Ingelheim b) DE	a) Cattle b) Diarrhoea / respiratory infections	a) Solution for injection b) 20 mg/ml c) 2	a) 14.09.99 b) 10.01.01 c) 184 days d) 301 days	a) 09.02.01 b) 23.04.01 c) 25.04.01 d) OJ No. C 158 of 31.05.01
a) Virbagen Omega b) Feline interferon c) Part A	a) Virbac S.A b) FR	a) Dogs b) Reduce mortality and clinical signs of canine parvovirus	a) Solution for injection b) 5MU/ml or 10MU/ml c) 1	a) 21.12.99 b) 11.07.01 c) 210 days d) 358 days	a) 10.08.01 b) 06.11.01 c) 08.11.01 d) OJ No. C 336 of 30.11.01
a) Eurifel RCP FelV b) Vaccine c) Part A	a) Merial b) FR	a) Cats b) Vaccine vs. feline infectious rhinotracheitis, calicivirus, panleukopenia & leukaemia	a) Powder & solvent for emulsion for injection	a) 19.12.00 b) 5.12.01 c) 210 d) 141	a) 04.01.02 b) 08.03.02 c) 12.03.02 d) OJ No C 77 of 28.03.02

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