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Overview of (invented) names reviewed in September 2017 by the Name Review Group (NRG)

Adopted at the CHMP meeting of 09-12 October 2017

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	Accepted	Rejected	Accepted	Rejected	Accepted	Rejected	Accepted	Rejected	Accepted	Rejected	Accepted	Rejected	Accepted	Rejected
Proposed (invented) names	44	26	41	44	41	30	-	-	56	55				
Justification for retention of (invented) name *	2	3	1	6	0	1	-	-	2	7				

*In case of objections to the proposed (invented) name(s), the applicant may justify the retention of the proposed invented name using the relevant justification form available on the EMA website.

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Total number of objections raised	54	91	87	157	62	120	-	-	111	99				
Criterion - Safety concerns														
Similarity with other (invented) name	45	82	80	149	59	106	-	-	101	85				
Conveys misleading therapeutic/pharmaceutical connotations	1	0	0	1	0	5	-	-	0	0				
Misleading with respect to composition	2	0	0	0	0	1	-	-	0	2				
Criterion - INN concerns														
Similarity with INN	4	5	3	2	1	6	-	-	1	6				
Inclusion of INN stem	0	3	2	1	0	0	-	-	2	2				
Criterion - Other public health concerns														
Unacceptable qualifiers	1	0	0	0	0	0	-	-	0	0				
Conveys a promotional message	1	0	1	0	2	1	-	-	2	3				
Appears offensive or has an inappropriate connotation	0	0	1	2	0	1	-	-	3	1				
Similarity between name of individual active substance and fixed combinations and/or between fixed combinations	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	-	0	0				
Similarity between name of prodrug and related active substance	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	-	0	0				
Others	0	1	0	2	0	0	-	-	2	0				

See *Guideline on the Acceptability of Names for Human Medicinal Products Processed through the Centralised Procedure (EMA/CHMP/287710/2014)* for detailed explanations of criteria used.