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08 July 2026, 09:00 – 16:00, virtual meeting

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1. Introduction

1.1. Welcome and declarations of interest of members, alternates and experts

Pre-meeting list of participants and restrictions in relation to declarations of interests applicable to the items of the agenda for the HMPC plenary session to be held on 06-08 July 2026. See July 2026 HMPC minutes (to be published post September 2026 HMPC meeting).

1.2. Adoption of agenda

HMPC agenda for 06-08 July 2026.

1.3. Adoption of the minutes

HMPC minutes for 04-06 May 2026.

2. EU herbal monographs and list entries for adoption

2.1. Status of HMPC activities

2.1.1. Overview of HMPC assessment work including the Rapporteurship distribution – Status in July 2026

Report: HMPC Chair

Action: For discussion

Document tabled: Overview

2.1.2. Appointment of Rapporteurs and Peer-reviewers

Periodic reviews to start in 2026-2027

Report: HMPC Chair

Action: For discussion

Document tabled: Overview document to sign-up as Rapporteur/Peer-reviewer

2.2. Revised EU herbal monographs and list entries for final adoption

2.2.1. Monograph on Arnicae flos and supporting documents

Action: For adoption

Documents tabled: AR, MO, LoR, Reader's Guidance, References 0/0

2.2.2. Monograph on Species diureticae and supporting documents

Action: For adoption

Documents tabled: AR, MO, LoR, Reader's Guidance, References 0/0

2.3. Revised EU herbal monographs and list entries for public consultation

None

2.4. Reviewed EU herbal monographs and list entries for decision on revision

2.4.1. Monograph on Anisi aetheroleum and supporting documents

Action: For adoption

Documents tabled: Review report, Reader's Guidance

2.4.2. Monograph on Anisi fructus and supporting documents

Action: For adoption

Documents tabled: Review report, Reader's Guidance

2.4.3. Monograph on Salicis cortex and supporting documents

Action: For adoption

Document tabled: Review report

2.4.4. Monograph on Salviae officinalis folium and supporting documents

Action: For adoption

Document tabled: Review report

2.4.5. Monograph on Thymi herba and supporting documents - postponed

2.5. EU herbal monographs, list entries and public statements for final adoption

2.5.1. Monograph on Maydis stigma and supporting documents

Action: For adoption

Document tabled: MO, AR, LoR References

2.6. EU herbal monographs, list entries and public statements for adoption for release for public consultation

None

2.7. EU herbal monographs, list entries and public statements - post finalisation

2.7.1. Monograph on Hyperici herba/Cimicifugae rhizoma and supporting documents

Action: For discussion

3. Referral procedures

None

4. Guidelines and guidance documents

4.1. Non-clinical/clinical safety and efficacy and multidisciplinary

4.1.1. Guideline on the assessment of genotoxicity of herbal substances/preparations (EMA/HMPC/107079/2007)

Action: For discussion

Documents tabled: Draft revised Guideline

4.2. Quality

None

4.3. Regulatory/Procedural

4.3.1. Reflection paper on the use of information in European Union herbal monographs and assessment reports for borderline issues (EMA/HMPC/224438/2024)

Action: For discussion

Documents tabled: Draft Reflection paper, OoC

4.4. Report on HMPC Drafting Groups activities

4.4.1. ORGAM DG

None

4.4.2. Quality DG

- QDG June meeting
Report: Astrid Obmann
Action: For information
Document tabled: Minutes June 2026
- Draft Agenda for 22 September meeting
Report: Astrid Obmann
Action: For information
Document tabled: Draft agenda
- Draft "Mandate, objectives, and rules of procedure for expert groups under the quality, non-clinical, methodology, clinical and veterinary domains"

Report: HMPC Chair, Astrid Obmann

Action: For information/discussion

Document tabled: Email

5. Organisational, regulatory and methodological matters

5.1. Mandate and organisation of the HMPC

5.1.1. Strategic Review and Learning Meetings (SRLM)

- HMPC SRLM Follow up plan - status July 2026
Report: HMPC (Vice-)Chairs
Action: For information
- Cypriot Presidency meeting June 2026
Report: Christina Sylvia Chrysostomou, Alexandra Demetriou
Action: For information
Document tabled: Agenda, presentations
- Irish Presidency meeting 24 November
Action: For information

5.1.2. HMPC membership

Report: HMPC Chair

Action: For information

5.1.3. EMA internal guidance on quorum, voting, proxies and divergent positions

Action: For information

Document tabled: Email

5.1.4. Call for nomination of NCA experts for the Pharmacovigilance group

Action: For discussion

Document tabled: Email, Nominations

5.1.5. Call for nomination of herbal and homeopathic expert in the NPL Topic of Annex II

Action: For information

Document tabled: Email

5.2. EMA Scientific Committees or CMDh-v

5.2.1. HMPC/PRAC collaboration on signal detection: safety-assessment for herbal medicinal products

Action: For adoption

Document tabled: Draft Reflection paper

5.2.2. Request for PRAC advice on Echinacea and the annexed assessment report

Action: For discussion

Documents tabled: PRAC advice on Echinacea, HMPC AR on Echinacea and DILI, Reader's Guidance

5.2.3. Scientific Coordination Board Meeting

Report: HMPC Chair

Action: For information

Document tabled: Agenda 5 June 2026

5.3. Coordination with EMA Working Parties/Working Groups/Drafting Groups

5.3.1. HMPC/Translational Science Office collaboration: requirements for studying the interaction potential of herbal medicinal products

Action: For discussion

Documents tabled: Draft Reflection paper, Reader's guidance

5.3.2. Patients and Consumers Working Party (PCWP) and Healthcare Professionals Working Party (HCPWP)

- PCWP and HCPWP Work plan for 2025-2028

Action: For information

Document tabled: PCWP/HCPWP Work plan 2025-2028

- PCWP and HCPWP meeting 30/June-1/July/2026

Report: HMPC Vice-Chair

Action: For information

5.4. Cooperation within the EU regulatory network

5.4.1. European Pharmacopoeia

- EDQM 13A expert group meeting

Report: Melanie Bald

Action: For information

Document tabled: SoD

- EDQM 13B expert group meeting

Report: Melanie Bald

Action: For information

Document tabled: SoD

- Pharmeuropa

Action: For information

Document tabled: *Pharmeuropa issue 38.2*

5.4.2. European Food Safety Authority (EFSA)

EFSA Mandate on the safety assessment of botanicals and botanical preparations - public consultation period open

Report: HMPC Vice-Chair

Action: For information

Document tabled: [Public Consultation](#)

5.5. Cooperation with International Regulators

5.5.1. EU/India Technical Working Group on Ayurveda

Report: HMPC Chair

Action: For information

Document tabled: Draft Minutes

5.5.2. Request For Proposal (RFP) for "WHO Global Benchmarking Tool (GBT) for the Evaluation of National regulatory Systems for Herbal Medicines"

Report: HMPC Chair

Action: For information

Document tabled: Email

5.6. Contacts of the HMPC with external parties and interaction with the Interested Parties to the Committee

5.6.1. Association of the European Self-Medication Industry (AESGP) – preparation for the hearing in November 2026

Report: HMPC Chair

Action: For information

5.7. Work plan and related activities

5.7.1. Follow-up on HMPC work plan 2026

Report: HMPC Chair

Action: For information

Document tabled: [HMPC work plan 2026](#); HMPC mid-year report

- 1) Explore new initiatives for the use of real-world data (RWD) and opportunities to use digitalisation and artificial intelligence (AI) in support of decisions

Action: For information

- 2) HMPC position on the role of European Union herbal monographs and assessment reports in relationship to borderline issues

Action: For information

- 3) Development of guidance on particulars for signal detection for (traditional) herbal medicinal products

Action: For information

- 4) Improve the evaluation of data from paediatric clinical practice for the safe use of herbal substances in children

Action: For information

Document tabled: [Reflection paper \(webpage\)](#)

- 5) HMPC communication of information on (traditional) herbal medicinal products to the public and stakeholders

Action: For information

- 6) Improve work-sharing in HMPC activities aiming at sustainability of the European medicines agencies network (EMRN)

Action: For information

Documents tabled: Herbal Curriculum Training Planning 2026-2027, HMPC training curriculum priorities January 2026

5.8. Planning and reporting

5.8.1. EMA/FDA Workshop on herbal medicines development

Report: HMPC Chair

Action: For discussion

Document tabled: Draft programme; [Webpage](#)

5.8.2. Questionnaire on (T)HMPs in the EU market 2026

Action: For discussion

Document tabled: Questionnaire (template)

5.9. Legislation and regulatory affairs

None

5.10. Questions from members

None

6. EU herbal monographs and list entries in preparation

6.1. Revision of EU herbal monographs and list entries in preparation for adoption after public consultation

6.1.1. Monograph on Ribis nigri folium and supporting documents

Action: For 1st discussion

Documents tabled: Draft MO, AR, LoR, Reader's Guidance

6.2. Revision of EU herbal monographs and list entries in preparation for public consultation

6.2.1. Monograph on Betulae folium and supporting documents

Action: For 2nd discussion

Documents tabled: Draft AR, MO, LoR, Reader's Guidance

6.3. Review of EU herbal monographs and list entries in preparation for decision on revision

6.3.1. Monograph on Myrrha and supporting documents

Action: For 6th discussion

Document tabled: Review report

6.3.2. Monograph on Plantaginis ovatae semen and supporting documents

Action: For 6th discussion

Document tabled: Review report

6.3.3. Monograph on Plantaginis ovatae seminis tegumentum and supporting documents

Action: For 6th discussion

Document tabled: Review report

6.4. EU herbal monographs and list entries in preparation for adoption after public consultation

6.4.1. Monograph on Cannabis flos and supporting documents

Action: For 8th discussion

Document tabled: OoC, Pharmaceutical weekly report, Cannabis research Bedrocan

6.5. EU herbal monographs and list entries in preparation for adoption for release for public consultation

6.5.1. Monograph on Valerianae radix/Passiflorae herba and supporting documents

Action: For 5th discussion

Documents tabled: Draft MO, AR, LoR, Reader's Guidance

7. Any other business

7.1. Topics for discussion

7.1.1. Pilot – transition to IRIS/SharePoint

Action: For information

7.2. Documents for information

7.2.1. HMPC

Table of Decisions from HMPC meeting held on 04-06 May 2026

Overview of expertise of members HMPC and subgroups

[Inventory of herbal substances for assessment work](#)

[List of abbreviations used in EMA human medicines scientific committees & CMD documents and in relation to EMA's regulatory activities](#)

Common names of herbal substances in all languages

Final Monograph Overview

Best practice guide on using HMPC plenary time efficiently (with annexed Reader's Guidance template)

7.2.2. Assessment Report Summary for the Public (ARSP)

None

7.2.3. Other

- [EMA launches translation tool on its corporate website](#)