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Veterinary Medicines website

How can veterinarians use the UPD public website in their practice

EMA/FVE webinar on UPD public website

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Introduction to Regulation (EU) 2019/6

Focus on major changes/news

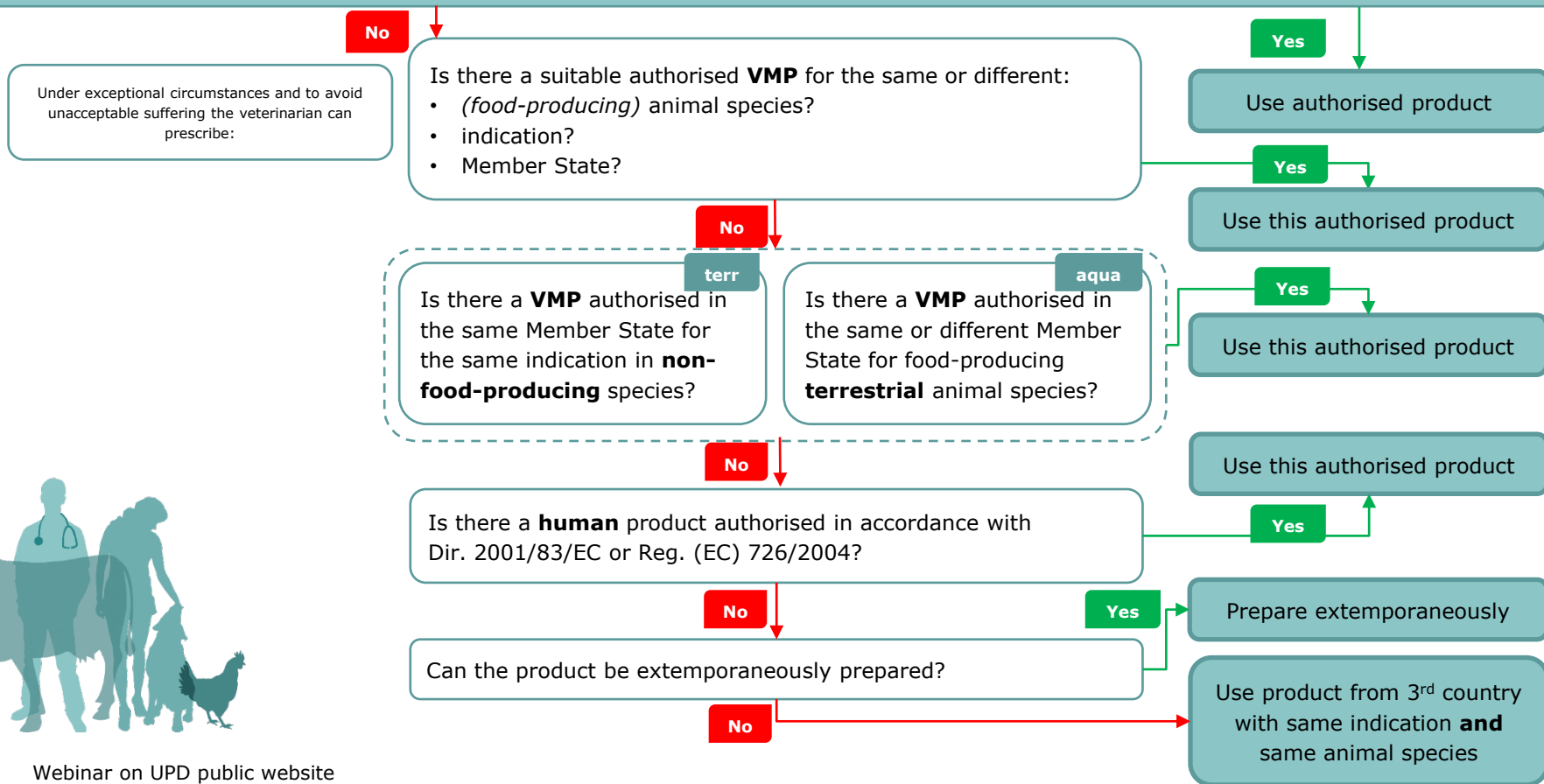


Prescribing medicines

Changes resulting from Regulation (EU) 2019/6

- New prescription cascade
- Distinction between:
 - Non-food-producing animal species – Art. 112
 - Food-producing **terrestrial** animal species – Art. 113
 - Food-producing **aquatic** animal species – Art. 114
- New rules for setting withdrawal periods in food-producing animal species - Art. 115 (unless a medicinal product used has a withdrawal period provided in its summary of the product characteristics for the animal species in question).
- The cascade now applies also when an authorised VMP is not **available** in a MS

Is there a veterinary medicinal product authorised in your Member State for this species and indication?



Buying veterinary medicines online

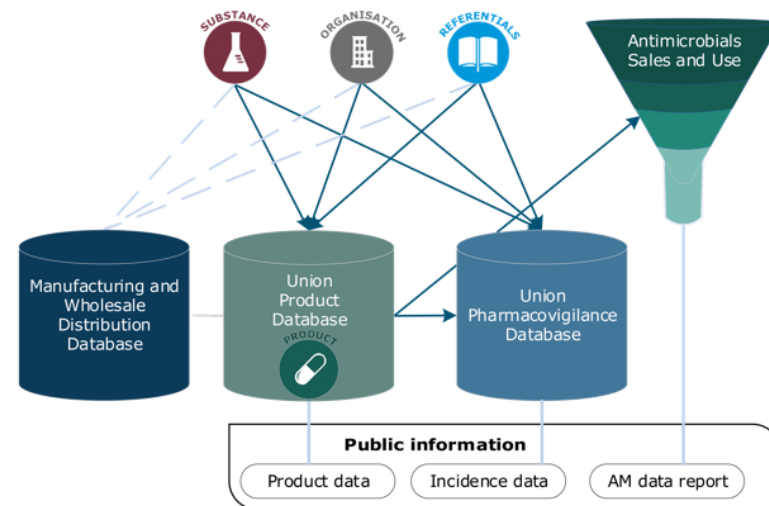
- According to Art. 104, it is now possible to buy **non-prescription** veterinary medicines online from **authorised online retailers, registered with the national competent authorities** in EU/EEA member states
- As of 28 January 2022 NCAs in the EU / EEA are obliged to list all registered online medicine retailers in their country on their websites
- Common logo that appears on every website of registered VMP retailers
- National laws apply
- More information [here](#)





IT systems stemming from Regulation (EU) 2019/6 on veterinary medicinal products

- Applicable since 28 January 2022
- VMP programme delivered three IT systems, including the Union Product Database (UPD)
 - UPD serves as a single source of information on all authorised veterinary medicines (VMP) and their availability in EU/EEA Member States (MS)
- Go live of the UPD public website





UPD public website

[How can the website support veterinarians](#) when prescribing medicines?



Marketing authorisations (MA)

How can a product be authorised?

Centralised authorisation procedure

- Single MA application to EMA
- MA granted by the European Commission
- MA valid for all EU/EEA member states (MS)

Mutual recognition procedure (MRP) and Decentralised procedure (DCP)

- Procedures to apply for a MA in more than one EU/EEA MS; difference is that in MRP a MA is already granted
- Application in a MS which will perform the assessment, known as Reference Member State (RMS), and other Concerned Member States (CMS) which recognise the assessment of the RMS
- MA valid in RMS and all CMS of the procedure

National authorisation procedure

- Application in one MS
- MA granted by national competent authority for that MS
- MA valid for a single EU/EEA MS



UPD public website

- Allows to search and view up-to-date information on veterinary medicines authorised in the EU/EEA;
- Enables veterinarians to find out in which country a specific VMP is available, compare medicines or to find information on potential alternatives;
- It also includes information registered homeopathic veterinary medicines and veterinary medicines that are parallel traded.



Upcoming improvements and functionalities

- Medicine short name
- Multiple selection
- Mobile-friendly format
- Species/route of administration/withdrawal period
- Indications



Just before we start...

- The public website reflects data available in the UPD database;
- Availability status for VMPs is being updated;
- Data quality checks are scheduled for Q3 2022;
- Bugs and improvements in the pipeline;



Demo

<https://medicines.health.europa.eu/veterinary/>



Any questions?

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