

Expert Advisory Group: Pharmacy

BRITISH PHARMACOPOEIA COMMISSION

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SUMMARY MINUTES

A meeting of this Expert Advisory Group was held at 151 Buckingham Palace Road, London SW1W 9SZ on Friday, 12 September 2014.

Present: Dr R Horder (Chair), Dr B Matthews (Vice-Chair), Prof M Aulton, Mrs E Baker, Prof G Eccleston, Dr D Elder, Mr R Lowe and Mr J McGuire.

Prof K Taylor, Chair of the BP Commission, also attended the meeting.

In attendance: Mrs M Vallender and Ms C Pitt.

Apologies for absence were received from Dr G Davison, and Mrs J MacDonald (an alternate member of EAG PCY).

I GENERAL MATTERS

405 Introductory remarks PCY(14)18

Welcome The Chairman welcomed members to the meeting. A special welcome was extended to Prof K Taylor, the Chair of the BP Commission.

Membership The current list of members had been provided. Members were asked to inform the Secretariat of any changes to their personal details. The Secretariat had submitted proposals for membership of EAG PCY to the BP Commission for consideration.

Declaration of Interests Members were reminded of their responsibility to declare interests throughout the meeting and to keep the Secretariat informed of any changes to their interests.

II MINUTES

406 The minutes of the meeting held on 10 March 2014 were confirmed.

III MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

407 The following matters arising from the meeting held on 10 March 2014 were noted.

Minute 387.1 Sterile Concentrates The review of the monographs for Sterile Concentrates had been deferred for further consideration.

Minute 387.3 Monograph Titles Members recommended that no changes should be made to the monograph title for Caffeine Citrate Injection at this time.

Minute 387.4 Monograph Structure The recommendations from this EAG were being referred to the EAGs responsible for the individual monographs. Inclusion of reference to the Pharmaceutical Preparations General Monograph had been included in the General Notices of the BP 2015.

Minute 388 Chloroform-containing preparations Members were updated in relation to a review of monographs containing chloroform as a listed ingredient.

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Minute 389 Antiepileptics The recommendations of EAG PCY had been drawn to the attention of the BP Commission at its meeting in March 2014.

Minute 390 Effervescent Tablets EAG MC2 had been informed of the recommendations of EAG PCY.

Minute 392 and minute 393 Pancreatin Capsules and Pancreatin Oral Powder EAG BIO had been informed of the recommendations of EAG PCY.

Minute 394 Inhaled Products This item had been deferred from the Agenda until the next meeting.

Minute 398 Monograph Titles Project A proposed project considering the risks and benefits of reviewing monograph titles was ongoing.

IV REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

408 Pessaries PCY(14)19

A review of titles and Definition statements in BP monographs would take place in consultation with the EAGs responsible for the monographs and other stakeholders.

409 Carmellose Sodium Eye Drops PCY(14)20

A request for revision of the Acidity limit from a manufacturer was deferred to await further information.

410 Dimethyl Phthalate PCY(14)21

A review of methods involving the use of packed GC columns was ongoing.

411 Dispensing Information in the BP PCY(14)22

A review of statements in BP monographs relating to dispensing and supply would take place in consultation with the EAGs responsible for the monographs and other stakeholders.

412 Extemporaneous Preparations PCY(14)23

A review of monographs containing Extemporaneous Preparation information would take place in consultation with the EAGs responsible for the monographs and other stakeholders.

VI EUROPEAN PHARMACOPOEIA

413 Comments from the British Pharmacopoeia Commission PCY(14)24

A comment had been submitted on the monograph for Egg Phospholipids for Injection published for comment in Pharmeuropa volume 26.1. Comments on Pharmeuropa Volume 26.3 had been requested from members of the Excipients Working Party (WPCX). Members were reminded that it was helpful to inform the Secretariat even if they had no comments.

414 Glossary request for revision PCY(14)25

The Chairman acknowledged the comments of members on a proposed revision of the Definition of a Colloidal Dispersion.

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415 Report of Group of Experts Number 12

PCY(14)26

Members noted that a meeting of Group of Experts Number 12 had taken place in May 2014.

416 Any other business

The work of the Quality Based Design (QbD) Working Party was noted.

VIII NEXT MEETING

417 The dates of the meetings in 2015 were confirmed as follows.

Monday 2nd February 2015

Monday 14th September 2015