



# The tripartite initiative: France-Portugal-Spain

*Challenges, opportunities and next steps to improve the availability of antimicrobials and their alternatives*

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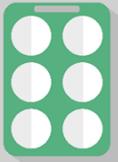
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Lack of availability. WHO (2023) adapted

The unavailability of an antimicrobials/alternatives corresponds to:

 No antimicrobial/alternative available on the market, but available in other countries

 Antimicrobial resistance: Most antibiotic-resistant infections would respond to antibiotics that have already been developed and approved for market, **but not all existing antibiotics are**

 Antimicrobial resistance: pharmaceuticals should **available for the potential species & indications and in all countries**

Additionally, **preventive/therapeutic gap**: Absence of therapeutic/alternative



Provides for a modern, innovative and fit for purpose legal framework



Promotes and stimulates innovation



Offers incentives to overcome the lack of availability of veterinary medicines



Reinforces the EU action to fight antimicrobial resistance

Adapted from CVMP workplan for 2023 and beyond 16 February 2023



## 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 on authorised veterinary medicines and veterinarians.



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## Prescription of medicines outside the terms of the MA

- ✓ Distinction  
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Food  
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- ✓ New rules  
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- ✓ The cascade

The cascade is a **risk-based decision tree**. Prescribing decisions in accordance with the cascade should be made on a case-by-case basis

The prescription and use of the product is a veterinarian responsibility

When using a product under the cascade, the professional should balance the expected benefits to the animal with the risks of using a medicine under the cascade

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## Limited market

Art 4(29) A market for one of the following medicinal product types: (a) veterinary medicinal products for the treatment or prevention of diseases that occur infrequently or in limited geographical areas; (b) veterinary medicinal products for animal species other than cattle, sheep for meat production, pigs, chickens, dogs and cats;

## Applications

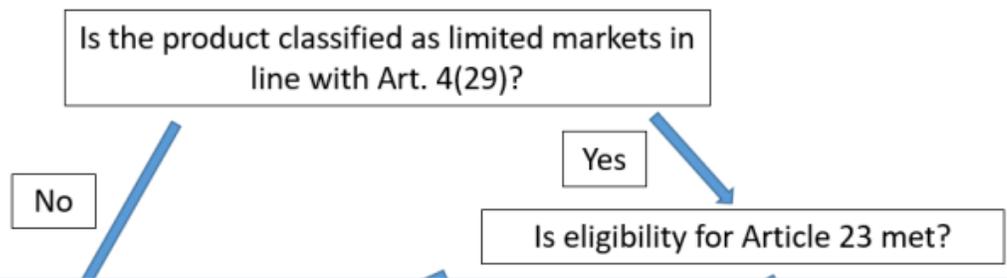
Art. 23 The applicant shall not be required to provide the comprehensive safety or efficacy documentation required in accordance with Annex II, if all of the following conditions are met:

- (a) the benefit of the availability on the market of the veterinary medicinal product to the animal or public health outweighs the risk inherent in the fact that certain documentation has not been provided **AND**
- (b) the applicant provides the evidence that the veterinary medicinal product is intended for a limited market



Reflection paper on classification of a product as intended for a limited market according to Article 4(29) and/or eligibility for authorisation according to Article 23

## Limited market



Eligibility for **Limited market** can be requested to EMA or any competent authority

Requirements:  
 Complete dossier  
 Annex II compliant  
 GL compliant\*

Article 23 application  
 Requirements:  
 Incomplete dossier  
 Annex II – data gaps in compliance with LM  
 GLs

\*Specific data requirements guidance to be elaborated for products that are classified as a 'limited market' but are not eligible for consideration under Article 23.

Development of guidance for limited market products not deemed eligible for Art. 23

**Finalise Q2 2023**

## Limited market

Outcome of Request for classifications limited market under article 4(29) and eligibility under article 23



15 products have been considered eligible under Article 23:  
3 chemicals  
12 biologicals (10 vaccines)



12 products have been classified as limited market according to art.4 (29) and not eligible under art.23:  
7 chemicals  
5 vaccines

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## Exceptional circumstances

Art. 25 “benefit of the immediate availability on the market of the veterinary medicinal product concerned to the animal or public health outweighs the risk inherent in the fact that certain quality, safety or efficacy documentation has not been provided”

**Validity 1 year**

## Periods of the protection of technical documentation and additional periods Art. 39 & 40

For more than one animal species or extension of the marketing authorisation to another species (cattle, sheep for meat production, pigs, chickens, dogs and cats)

**1 year**

For another species

**4 years**

For the establishment of MRLs

**5 years**



### Prolongation and additional periods of the protection of technical documentation

Art. 40(5) If a variation to the terms of the marketing authorisation approved in accordance with Article 67 involves a change to the pharmaceutical form, administration route or dosage, which is assessed by the Agency or the competent authorities referred to in Article 66 to have demonstrated:

**(a) a reduction in the antimicrobial or antiparasitic resistance; or**

**(b) an improvement of the benefit-risk balance of the veterinary medicinal product, the results of the concerned pre-clinical studies or clinical trials shall benefit from**

**4 years protection**

- Reflection paper on the application of Article 40(5) of 5 Regulation (EU) 2019/6 for certain categories of variations



## Activities relating to antimicrobial resistance

- ✓ Dose review and adjustment (research – follow up of Pilot Project on the Harmonisation and Optimisation of Veterinary Antimicrobials ) – establish a prioritised list of products
- ✓ Reflection paper on promoting the authorisation of alternatives to antimicrobial veterinary medicinal products in the EU

## Other initiatives

- ✓ Expert group to provide scientific recommendations to the CVMP regarding the list of substances which are essential for the treatment of **equine species**.
- ✓ **Vet Big Data Hub**
- ✓ **SPOC (Single Point of Contact) task force**

## Vaccines

- ✓ Guideline on plasmid **DNA vaccines** for veterinary use (Released for public consultation)
- ✓ Guideline on data requirements for **adjuvants** in vaccines for veterinary use
- ✓ Guideline on data requirements for authorisation of immunological veterinary medicinal products in **exceptional circumstances** - Scientific guideline  
*Replaced CVMP related guidelines for vaccines against bluetongue and avian influenza*
- ✓ Guideline on data requirements for **vaccine platform technology master files (vPTMF)**

## Novel Therapies

- ✓ **Monoclonal antibodies:** VICH Draft guideline on target animal safety evaluation for veterinary monoclonal antibody products. *Completion date: December 2023 (to be determined)*
- ✓ **Cell therapies:** Guideline on the development and data requirements of potency tests for cell-based veterinary therapy products and the relation to clinical efficacy. *Completion date: Q2 2023.*
- ✓ **Bacteriophages** Guideline on quality, safety and efficacy of veterinary medicinal products specifically designed for phage therapy. *Released for public consultation*  
*EFSA: Safety and efficacy of a feed additive consisting of the bacteriophages PCM F/00069, PCM F/00070, PCM F/00071 and PCM F/00097 (Bafasal®) for all avian species (Proteon Pharmaceuticals S.A.)*
- ✓ **Nanomedicines:** Guideline on the safety data requirements for the assessment of VMPs containing non-degradable nanomaterials. *Concept paper to be developed and released for public consultation (Q2 2023)*

## MEASURES ADOPTED BY THE TRIPARTITE INITIATIVE



- ➔ To identify the similarities of needs in our countries, esp. on minor species, in order to **communicate on such “extended” limited markets** and motivate more investment from pharmaceutical companies
- ➔ To list the requests for VMPs approved in one of our countries, in order to motivate MAH to **submit mutual recognition** for those VMPs
- ➔ To promote the interest of defining together some **good practices about early declaration and anticipation of any VMPs’ abandon**, in order to better assess its possible negative impact and find out some possible alternatives
- ➔ To encourage the involvement of **other MMSS**





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## ○ Reduction of registration fees

For those veterinary VMPs intended exclusively for limited markets a **70% reduction** will be applied for:

- ✓ marketing authorization fees
- ✓ marketing authorization modifications requiring evaluation
- ✓ scientific advice
- ✓ products under veterinary clinical investigation, veterinary clinical trials, post-authorization studies
- ✓ official batch release certificates
- ✓ maintenance on the market of veterinary drugs authorized by national procedure, of mutual or decentralized recognition
- ✓ procedures for re-examination and harmonization of the summaries of SPC



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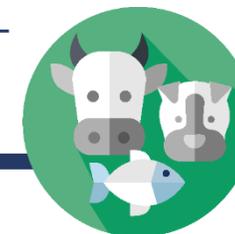
- ✓ **80% reduction** for full dossier registered via national procedure or decentralised procedure with France as reference Member State
- ✓ **58% reduction** when France as concerned Member States
- ✓ For a generic or hybrid dossier, **75% reduction** with France as reference Member State, and **33% reduction** when France is a concerned Member States



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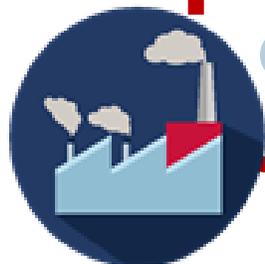


Veterinarians should report on the lack of efficacy in authorised antimicrobial VMPs when used either according to the label or off-label, via the pharmacovigilance system.



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- Pharmaceutical industry is expected to:
- Make use of the new regulatory tools available.
  - Work collaboratively with the different groups and competent authorities to develop new VMPs
  - Bring to the market new pharmaceutical forms, target species, etc. apart from new VMPs





## WHAT ELSE?



To improve the centralization the reporting and publish past and current shortages of veterinary medicines at the European level

To improve the procedure of allowing manufacturers to declare market withdrawal or their intention to withdrawal a marketing authorisation (to anticipate future situations and potential impact on the market)

To allow health care professionals to notify authorities not only perceived lack of availability of veterinary antibiotics (already in place) but also **lack of therapeutic/preventive tools** (*unmet medical needs*)

Generate evidence on the impact of new AMR legislation from a One Health perspective

European Commission's **Pharmaceutical Strategy for Europe** support public R&D in human medicine. Can a similar approach be adopted to have new VMPs for animal use?



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