

This is a list of guidelines for the safety of veterinary medicines as issued by the European Medicines Agency (EMA) and the International Veterinary Conference on Harmonization (VICH).

The page is structured and contains instructions from the field of toxicology, user safety, environmental safety, and guidance on residue safety assessment (lead times, MRLs). Please click here: http://www.ema.europa.eu/ema/index.jsp?curl=pages/regulation/general/general_content_000384.jsp&mid=WC0b01ac058002dd37

In addition to the guidelines mentioned below, the EMA also publishes and updates a list of frequently asked questions and answers concerning MRL determination, please click here: http://www.ema.europa.eu/ema/index.jsp?curl=pages/regulation/q_and_a/q_and_a_detail_000039.jsp&mid=WC0b01ac058002d89b

List of scientific guidelines on the safety - part III.A :

TOXICOLOGY

| Name | Number | Effective from | Note |
|---|--|----------------|-----------------------|
| VICH GL22 Safety studies for veterinary drugs in human food: reproduction | ICM/Veterinary/525/2000 | 07/2002 | Final studies |
| VICH GL23 Studies to evaluate the safety of veterinary drugs in human food: genotoxicity | ICM/Veterinary/526/2000 | 07/2002 | Revised |
| VICH GL28 Studies to evaluate the safety of veterinary drugs in human food: carcinogenicity testing | ICM/Veterinary/451/2001 Rev.01/06/2006 | 06/2006 | Genotoxicity testing |
| VICH GL31 Safety studies for veterinary drugs in human food: repeat-dose (90) toxicity testing | ICM/Veterinary/484/2002 | 06/2004 | Final |
| VICH GL32 Studies to evaluate the safety of veterinary drugs in human food: adopted by CVMP | ICM/Veterinary/485/2002 | 06/2004 | Final Adopted by CVMP |
| VICH GL33 Safety studies for veterinary drugs in human food: general approach to testing | EMA/ICM/Veterinary/486/02/06/2004 | 06/2004 | Approach to testing |
| VICH GL37 Safety of veterinary drugs in human food: repeat-dose (chronic) toxicity testing | ICM/Veterinary/468/2003 | 30/05/2005 | Final testing |
| VICH GL54 Studies to evaluate the safety of veterinary drugs in human food: general approach | EMA/ICM/Veterinary/639/25/2010/01/2017 | 01/2017 | Final |
| Assessment and control of residues of veterinary medicines in human food | EMA/CVMP/Veterinary/672/15/2016 | 2016 | Drafting guidelines |
| Regulatory acceptance of veterinary medicines in human food: testing approaches | EMA/ICM/Veterinary/673/15/2016 | 2016 | Testing approaches |

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USER SAFETY

| Name | Number | Effective from | Note |
|--|---------------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| User safety for pharmaceuticals | EMA/CVMP/ERA/5142003/2010 | 10/2010 | Rev. 1 |
| User safety of topically administered products | EMA/CVMP/ERA/721059/2014 | | Draft guideline |

ENVIRONMENTAL RISK ASSESSMENT

| Name | Number | Effective from | Note |
|--|------------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| VICH GL6 Environmental impact assessment (EIS) for medicinal products | EMA/CVMP/VICH/5921/2009 | 07/2009 | Guideline Phase I |
| VICH GL38 Environmental impact assessment for veterinary medicinal products | EMA/CVMP/VICH/390/2003 | 10/2005 | Guideline |
| Environmental impact assessment of medicinal products in support of the MIC (2016) | EMA/CVMP/ERA/18282/2015/26021 | 05/2016 | Reflection paper |
| Assessment of persistent, bioaccumulative and toxic (PBT) and very persistent and bioaccumulative (vPvB) substances | EMA/CVMP/ERA/52740/2012/02704/2016 | 04/2016 | Guideline |
| Authorisation of veterinary medicinal products containing (potential) persistent, bioaccumulative and toxic (PBT) substances | EMA/CVMP/ERA/44621/2015 | | Reflection paper |
| Determining the fate of veterinary medicinal products in the environment | EMA/CVMP/ERA/430323/2009/2011 | 01/2011 | Guideline |
| Higher-tier testing of veterinary medicinal products on fauna | EMA/CVMP/ERA/409330/2010 | | Draft guideline |
| Plant testing strategy for veterinary medicinal product | EMA/CVMP/ERA/689041/2015/2017 | | Guideline |
| Assessing the toxicological risk to aquatic water communities from veterinary pharmaceuticals | EMA/CVMP/ERA/110355/2015 | | Guideline |
| Poorly extractable and/or non-extractable (PEN) substances | EMA/CVMP/ERA/349254/2014 | | Reflection paper |
| Risk-mitigation measures related to the assessment of veterinary medicinal products | EMA/CVMP/ERA/109328/2015 | | Reflection paper |
| ERA - QaA document | EMA/CVMP/ERA/172074/2008 | Rev.6 | Rev. 6 |
| Antimicrobial resistance in the environment | EMA/CVMP/ERA/632109/2014 | | |
| Draft Reflection paper | | | |

List of scientific guidelines on the safety - part III.B :

RESIDUES/WITHDRAWAL PERIODS

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| Name | Number | Effective from | Note |
|---|-----------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| Approach towards harmonisation of withdrawal periods | EMA/CVMP/036/1995/01/01/1997 | 01/01/1997 | Under revision |
| Updated application software: withdrawal time calculation for tissues | EMA/CVMP/473/1998/08/09/2000 | 08/09/2000 | web page EMA |
| Determination of withdrawal periods for milk | EMA/CVMP/542/2003 | 13/04/2005 | Under revision |
| Updated application software: withdrawal time calculation for milk | EMA/CVMP/542/2003 | 13/04/2005 | web page EMA |
| Injection-site residues | EMA/CVMP/542/2003 | 13/04/2005 | - |
| Setting health based exposure limits for residues in the muscle | EMA/CVMP/542/2003 | 13/04/2005 | Under revision |
| VICH GL46 studies to evaluate the kinetics of veterinary drugs in food-producing animals | EMA/CVMP/161/1997/02/29/01 | 02/29/01 | Reflection paper |
| VICH GL47 studies to evaluate the kinetics of veterinary drugs in food-producing animals | EMA/CVMP/161/1997/02/29/01 | 02/29/01 | Reflection paper |
| VICH GL48 studies to evaluate the kinetics of veterinary drugs in food-producing animals | EMA/CVMP/161/1997/02/29/01 | 02/29/01 | Reflection paper |
| VICH GL49 studies to evaluate the kinetics of veterinary drugs in food-producing animals | EMA/CVMP/161/1997/02/29/01 | 02/29/01 | Reflection paper |
| VICH GL56 studies to evaluate the kinetics of veterinary drugs in food-producing animals | EMA/CVMP/161/1997/02/29/01 | 02/29/01 | Reflection paper |
| VICH GL57 on studies to evaluate the residue kinetics of veterinary drugs in food-producing animals | EMA/CVMP/161/1997/02/29/01 | 02/29/01 | Reflection paper |
| Injection-site residues: Consideration of residues in the muscle and residue levels in the milk | EMA/CVMP/520/1993/2005/03/20/01 | 03/20/01 | Reflection papers |
| Introducing a review and update of residues in animal products | EMA/CVMP/SVMP/828/2011/02/28/2012 | 28/02/2012 | Concept papers |

MAXIMUM RESIDUE LIMITS (MRL'S)

| Name | Number | Effective from | Note |
|--|-----------------------------------|----------------|------------------|
| Approach to establish a pharmacokinetic model for the calculation of MRLs (ADI) | CVMP/SWP/355/2006/01/06/2006 | 06/01/2006 | - |
| Data to be provided in support of applications for MRLs in the list of substances considered for MRLs | EMA/CVMP/516/1997/01/05/2001 | 05/01/2001 | Reflection paper |
| Risk-analysis approach for MRLs in food of animal origin | EMA/CVMP/87/00/10/04/2001 | 04/10/2001 | - |
| VICH GL36 Studies to evaluate the residues of veterinary drugs in human food: General approach | EMA/CVMP/VICH/167/2000/01/05/2002 | 05/01/2002 | Reflection paper |
| Assessment of bioavailability of residues of animal origin in human food | EMA/CVMP/SWP/95/02/2009/2008 | 02/02/2008 | Reflection paper |
| Consideration of adjuvants under Council Regulation (EEC) No 2377/90 | CVMP/339/16/2007 | 17/12/2007 | Reflection paper |
| New approach developed by the WHO for the calculation of MRLs | CVMP/SWP/138/2006/02/09/2008 | 09/02/2008 | Reflection paper |
| Approaches on how to consider MRLs in the context of Council Regulation 2377/90 | EMA/CVMP/123/05/2005/22/01/2005 | 22/01/2005 | Reflection paper |
| Definition of substances capable of being considered for MRLs in the context of Council Regulation 2377/90 | CVMP/022/1997 | 30/04/2000 | Reflection paper |
| Establishment of maximum residue limits for residues in food of animal origin | EMA/CVMP/39/1/2002 | 01/11/2002 | Reflection Paper |

AVAILABILITY (MINOR USES / MINOR SPECIES)

| Name | Number | Effective from | Note |
|--|---------------------------------|----------------|------|
| Guideline on safety and residues of veterinary medicinal products | EMA/CVMP/SWP/687/1/2006/12/2016 | 12/2016 | - |
| Note regarding CVMP guidelines for the calculation of MRLs for veterinary medicinal products intended for use in minor species | EMA/CVMP/1336/12/2005/07/2006 | 07/2006 | - |
| Establishment of MRLs for residues in farmed fin fish | EMA/CVMP/15/01/1997 | 01/01/1997 | - |

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Position paper regarding availability of data for medicinal products - extrapolation of maximum residue limits

MULTIDISCIPLINARY

| Name | Number | Effective from | Note |
|---|-----------------|----------------|------|
| Guideline on pharmaceuticals | EMA/CMP/3304/05 | 18/12/2006 | - |
| Investigation of chiral active substances | 1/351/91 | 01/10/1993 | - |