

# The British Pharmacopoeia

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# OUTLINE

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- European and International Activity
- Future

## INTRODUCTION

- Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency (MHRA)
  - UK Government Agency for ensuring medicines and medical devices work and are acceptably safe
- BP and Laboratory Services Group
  - BP incorporated into the MHRA Trading Fund in 2003
  - Part of Inspection, Enforcement and Standards Division of MHRA
  - 19 members (16.5 BP + 1.5 Lab Services) + 1 PA
  - Publications & Reference Materials (BP; BP (Vet); British Approved Names; Electronic Updates)
  - Website
  - Management of Laboratories (BP and MHRA)
    - Evaluation & development of BP monographs; BPCRS establishment
    - Forensic work
    - Support for Regulatory activity
    - Market surveillance

## BP and Laboratory Services Group (continued)

- **Websites**

- **[www.mhra.gov.uk/pharmacopoeia](http://www.mhra.gov.uk/pharmacopoeia)**
  - Information about the BP
  - News
  - BPCRS Orders
  - Forum for BPC Experts and Advisors
  - Feedback to BP Secretariat
- **[www.pharmacopoeia.co.uk](http://www.pharmacopoeia.co.uk)**
  - BP Online
  - Sales of the BP
  - Feedback to publisher and BP Secretariat

## The British Pharmacopoeia Commission

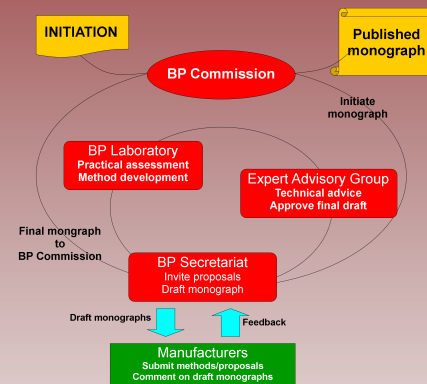
- Appointed under the Medicines Act 1968
- Preparation of the British Pharmacopoeia
- Preparation of British Approved Names
- Preparation of the British Pharmacopoeia (Veterinary)
- National pharmacopoeial authority to the European Pharmacopoeia



### BP Secretariat



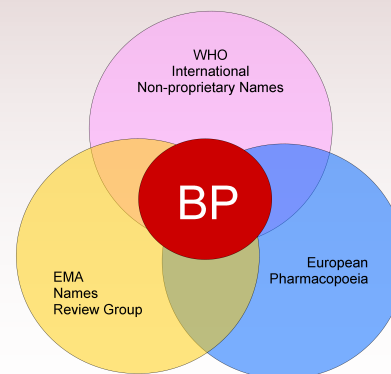
### BP Monograph Development



### BPCRS Reference Standards



### International Activities



## LEGISLATION

- Medicines Act 1968 (Section 99)
- EC Directives
  - 2001/83/EC (human medicines)
  - 2004/27/EC (amending Directive 2001/83/EC)
  - 2001/82/EC (veterinary medicines)
  - 2004/28/EC (amending Directive 2001/82/EC)
  - 2004/24/EC (traditional herbal medicinal products)
  - 2001/83/EC (homoeopathic medicines)

## Regional Activity

- European Pharmacopoeia
  - National Pharmacopoeial Authority
  - Secretariat Support for the United Kingdom Delegation
  - UK Members of Groups of Experts and Working Parties
- European Medicines Agency
  - Names Review Group
  - Invented names

## International Activity

- **MHRA Policy**
- **World Health Organisation**
  - Group of Experts on Nomenclature
  - International Nonproprietary Names
  - Memorandum of Understanding
  - Monograph Development Collaboration
- **International harmonisation**
  - Feedback to European Pharmacopoeia
- **Chinese Pharmacopoeia**
  - Memorandum of Understanding (MHRA & SFDA)
  - Collaboration Agreement between Chinese Pharmacopoeia & British Pharmacopoeia
    - TCMs & Mutually Agreed Projects



### Topics Covered in BP

Medicinal substances (Human and Veterinary)

Formulated Preparations  
    General Monographs  
    Specific Monographs

Biological and Biotechnological Products (Blood Products, Vaccines etc)

Radiopharmaceuticals

Surgical Materials

Herbal Medicines

Homoeopathic Preparations

Unlicensed Medicines

Veterinary Medicines

Methods of test

Supplementary information

## Published Monographs

- Revision Programme
  - Medicines Act section 102 (1)
  - Targeted
  - Consequential
  - Responsive

## BP Publications



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## **BP & BP (Vet) 2012**

- Published August 2011
- Effective 1 January 2012
- 35 new BP monographs
- Integrates Ph Eur monographs
- 3 In-year Electronic Updates
- Available in Book and Electronic Formats

## Looking Ahead

- Annual BP and BP (Vet) Publication
- British Approved Names Supplements
- Increase in New Formulated Preparation Monographs (licensed and unlicensed)
- Supplementary Chapters for BP and BP (Vet)
- Red Tape Challenge
- European Pharmacopoeia (Expertise; Advice; Comments on drafts; Laboratory support; UK Government support)
- International Collaboration
- Stakeholder Co-operation (manufacturers; practitioners; pharmacies etc)
- Website [www.mhra.gov.uk/pharmacopoeia](http://www.mhra.gov.uk/pharmacopoeia)
- Tailored Publications
- Feedback

## **Future Strategy for World Pharmacopoeias**

### **Working together**

- Acknowledge roles of National Authority**
- Acknowledge regional roles**
- Acknowledge commercial activity**

**Thank you**

**Any Questions?**