

International Harmonisation of Ingredient Names (IHIN) in the Australian Medicines Terminology (AMT)

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Background – Recap:

- The TGA is updating medicine ingredient names to align with names used internationally and to remove the use of old ingredient names that are becoming more 'unique' to Australia.
- A list of affected ingredients is available on the TGA website:
- https://www.tga.gov.au/updating-medicine-ingredient-names



What has the Agency been doing?

- Started up a IHIN sub group to discuss items such as roll out timing, dual labelling, progress, challenges, etc.
- Considered dual labelled terms in more detail, such as term length, two sets of changes, protocols in electronic systems.
- Liaised with multiple stakeholders to understand any impact if AMT terms are changed.
- Considered internal questions (e.g. duplication of terms, hydration, propagation of terms through notable concept levels)
- Considered internal technology requirements
- Concluded that there is no "one size fits all" approach



The way forward

- Provision of a flexible solution
 - 1. Update both FSN and PT concept descriptions to align with TGA
 - 2. Dual labelled names will be represented in all PTs during the interim period
 - 3. Creation of synonyms for old ingredient names and language reference sets (if a need exists) once a technical solution is available



The way forward

- The AMT team are making the following changes to the AMT over the upcoming releases (September 2016 – January 2017)
 - 1. "Minor" substance changes
 - 2. Dual labelled "significant" substance changes
 - 3. Other "significant" substance changes



Change examples:

"Minor" substance changes (Non PBS)

hexachlorophane					
Current FSN	hexachlorophane 30 mg / 1 g lotion (medicinal product unit of use)				
Updated FSN	hexachlorophene 30 mg / 1 g lotion (medicinal product unit of use)				
Current PT	hexachlorophane 3% lotion				
Updated PT	hexachlorophene 3% lotion				



Change examples:

"Minor" substance changes (PBS)

cephazolin					
Current FSN	cephazolin 500 mg injection, 5 x 500 mg vials (medicinal product pack)				
Updated FSN	cefazolin 500 mg injection, 5 x 500 mg vials (medicinal product pack)				
Current PT	cephazolin 500 mg injection, 5 vials				
Updated PT	cefazolin 500 mg injection, 5 vials				



Change examples:

Dual labelled "significant" substance changes

hydroxyurea					
Current FSN	hydroxyurea 500 mg capsule, 100 capsules (medicinal product pack)				
Updated FSN	hydroxycarbamide 500 mg capsule, 100 capsules (medicinal product pack)				
Current PT	hydroxyurea 500 mg capsule, 100				
Dual labelled PT	hydroxycarbamide (hydroxyurea) 500 mg capsule, 100				
After 2023	hydroxycarbamide 500 mg capsule, 100				



Change examples:

Other "significant" substance changes

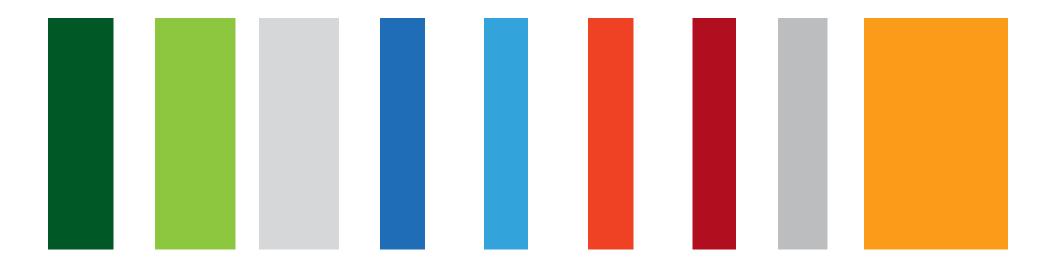
maldison					
Current FSN	maldison 10 mg / 1 g application, 100 mL (medicinal product pack)				
Updated FSN	malathion 10 mg / 1 g application, 100 mL (medicinal product pack)				
Current PT	maldison 1% application, 100 mL				
Updated PT	malathion 1% application, 100 mL				

Change examples:

Future addition of synonyms

	Concept ID	Fully Specified Name	Preferred Term Synonym	Acceptable Term Synonym #1	Acceptable Term Synonym #2
Current (Pre-IHIN change)	27776011000036105	frusemide 40 mg tablet, 100 tablets (medicinal product pack)	frusemide 40 mg tablet, 100		
Interim dual labelled period - 2023	27776011000036105	furosemide 40 mg tablet, 100 tablets (medicinal product pack)	furosemide (frusemide) 40 mg tablet, 100	furosemide 40 mg tablet, 100	frusemide 40 mg tablet, 100
Post 2023	27776011000036105	furosemide 40 mg tablet, 100 tablets (medicinal product pack)	furosemide 40 mg tablet, 100	furosemide (frusemide) 40 mg tablet, 100	frusemide 40 mg tablet, 100





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