

Updated work programme of the European Pharmacopoeia

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The following items have been added to or deleted from the work programme during the 151th session of the European Pharmacopoeia Commission. The complete work programme is available in the [Knowledge Database](#).

Interested parties are invited to contact the EDQM via the [HelpDesk](#) with a view to participating in the work on items of interest.

TEXTS TO BE REVISED

Methods of analysis	
2.2.9. Capillary viscometer method	Dimensions for small-size apparatus
2.2.24. Absorption spectrophotometry, infrared	General revision
2.2.29. Liquid chromatography	Parameters for DADs and MVWs
2.4.2. Arsenic	Replacement of a mercury reagent
2.4.20. Determination of metal catalyst or metal reagent residues	International Harmonisation
General Texts	
5.20. Metal catalyst or metal reagent residues	Alignment to ICH Q3D guideline
General monographs	
Pharmaceutical preparations (2619)	Implementation of ICH Q3D Guideline
Dosage forms	
Parenteral preparations (0520)	Replacement of the pyrogen test (2.6.8) by the monocyte-activation test (2.6.30)
Herbal drugs	
Bilberry fruit, dried (1588)	Introduction of test on elderberries
Peppermint oil (0405)	Test on mint oil
Homoeopathic preparations	
Ignatia for homoeopathic preparations (2513)	Request to delete the reference to a sieve for the use of method 1.1.10
Nux-vomica for homoeopathic preparations (2514)	Request to delete the reference to a sieve for the use of method 1.1.10
Monographs	
Benzocaine (0011)	Suppression of second identification series
Busulfan (0542)	Revision of the test for related substances
Calcifediol (1295)	Revision of the test for related substances
Cefazolin sodium (0988)	Related substances: addition of new impurities
Chlorhexidine diacetate (0657)	Revision of 2 nd identification series
Chlorhexidine dihydrochloride (0659)	Revision of 2 nd identification series
Clobetasol propionate (2127)	Related substances: addition of new impurities
Colchicine (0758)	Revision of the test for related substances

Ethacridine lactate monohydrate (1591)	Revision of 1 st and 2 nd identifications series
Ether (0650)	Revision of the storage conditions
Etoposide (0823)	Water content
Furosemide (0391)	Revision of 2 nd identification series
Glycerol (0496)	Revision in the context of the Reach regulation (deletion of Identification C and D)
Glycerol (85 per cent) (0497)	Revision in the context of the Reach regulation (deletion of Identification C and D)
Manganese sulfate monohydrate (1543)	Revision of identification B
Methylprednisolone hydrogen succinate (1131)	Improvement of related substances test
Potassium sulfate (1622)	Revision of the assay
Prednicarbate (1467)	Revision of 2 nd identification series
Pregabalin (2777)	Related substances: addition of new impurities
Sodium sulfate, anhydrous (0099)	Revision of the assay
Sodium sulfate decahydrate (0100)	Revision of the assay
Somatropin (0951)	General revision
Somatropin concentrated solution (0950)	General revision
Somatropin for injection (0952)	General revision
Somatropin solution for injection (2370)	General revision
Telmisartan (2154)	Related substances: addition of new impurities
Tiotropium bromide monohydrate (2420)	Related substances: review of limits
Wheat starch (0359)	Inclusion of a production section (gluten)

NEW TEXTS TO BE ELABORATED

Herbal drugs

Achyranthes bidentata root (2999)
 Bergamot oil (2995)
 Cajeput oil (3007)
 Cedri ligni oil (3002)
 Cyathula officinalis root (2998)
 Cypress oil (3003)
 Gaultheria oil (3004)
 Geranium oil (3005)
 Irish moss (2997)
 Lingzhi mushroom (3001)
 Ophiopogon japonicus root (3000)
 Rose oil (3006)

Homoeopathic preparations

Calcium fluoride for homoeopathic preparations (2996)

Monographs

Rosuvastatin tablets (3008)

DELETIONS FROM THE WORK PROGRAMME (new texts or requests for revision)

2.9.17. Test for extractable volume of parenteral preparations

Mercurius solubilis Hahnemanni for homoeopathic preparations (2506)

Picrorhiza kurroa rhizome and root (2744)