



# Umsetzung des Review 2004

## *Auswirkungen auf das Europäische Zulassungssystem*

### *insbesondere auf das dezentrale und das MR-Verfahren*

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## *Two options for granting a MA for MP's – not falling under the scope of CP*

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- MRP

- Altered („forced arbitration“)
- For products with an existing MA



- DCP

- Alternative review procedure
- Only possible, if no authorisation has already been granted



*Both procedures possible for all kind of products (except those which are mandatory for CP), but different starting points*

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## *Pre-submission meeting*

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On a voluntarily basis – for MRP & DCP

- Applicant discussions with RMS, in order to clarify regulatory issues (e.g. legal basis) and principle questions concerning availability of experts (TT)
- About 6 to 4 months in advance of the start of the procedure

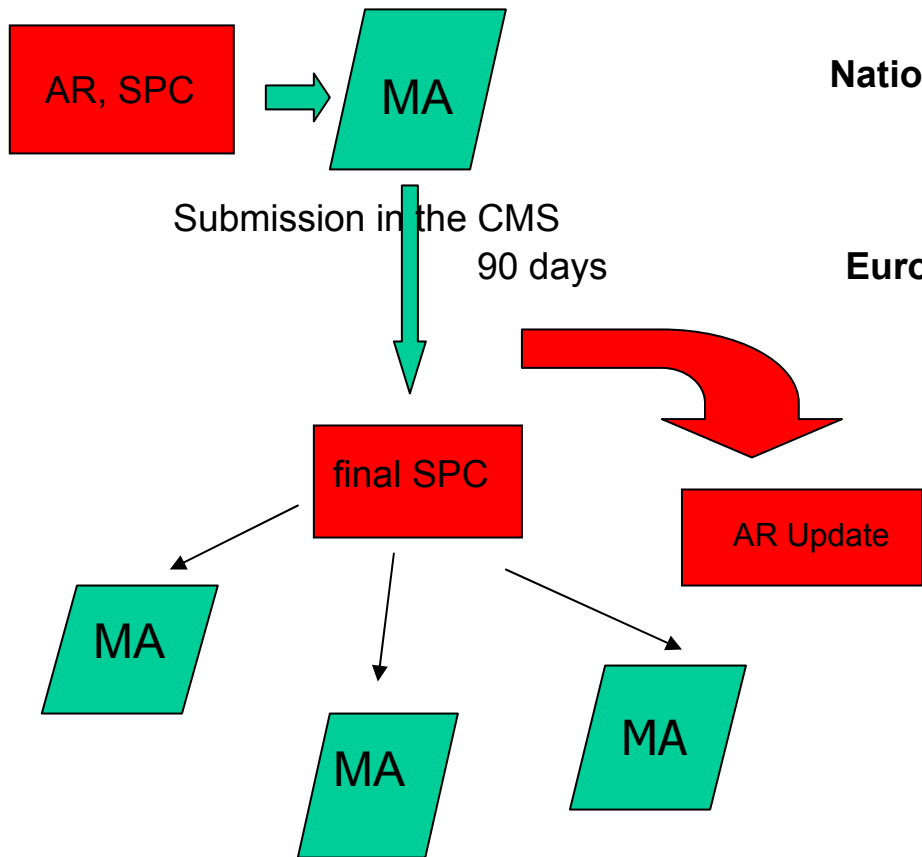
# MRP

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# New Decentralised Procedure

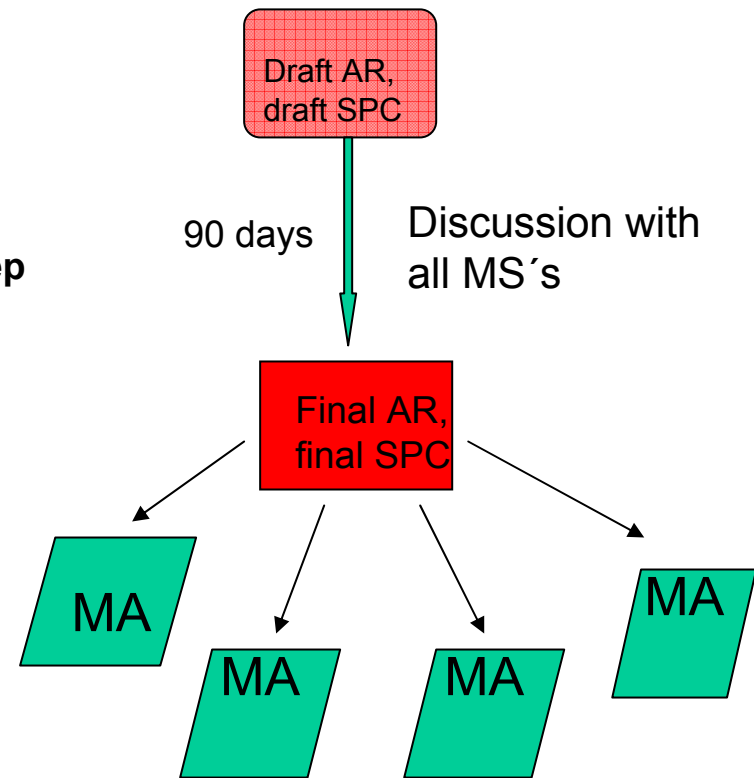
Submission of the dossier only in the RMS

Submission of the dossier in the RMS & CMS



National Step

European step





## *DCP - proposed flow chart*

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In order to follow the time-lines of the Directive, the following steps are proposed:

<b>Pre-procedural step</b>	for validation
<b>National step</b>	120 days for RMS to prepare the draft AR, draft SPC,...
<b><i>Clock-stop</i></b>	Q – responses
<b>European step</b>	90 days to find agreement
<b><u>Assessment process: 210 days except clock-stop</u></b>	
<b><i>Agreement:</i></b>	
<b>National step</b>	30 days for granting MA

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# *New Decentralised Procedure*

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*New element of the procedure:*

*Consultation between MS's **before**  
the first marketing authorisation is  
issued.*



## *DCP, MRP*

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### European step – Art. 28(5) Dir 2004/27

“Each MS in which the application has been submitted in accordance with paragraph 1 shall adopt a decision in conformity with the approved **AR, the SPC and the labelling and package leaflet** as approved, within 30 days after acknowledgement of the agreement.



## *Package leaflet – harmonisation – new issue*

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### Is a harmonised view achievable?

- Prescription status is not part of the harmonisation (Rx vs. OTC) – still a national issue
- Is the same PL acceptable or has it to be identical?
  - Harmonisation on content and order must be achieved, but
  - PL wording – at least in the introduction for Rx- or OTC-products – is different
  - Special national requirements in certain sections of the PL
    - “Blue Box”- requirements in the PL per MS – update of the readability guideline





## *Package leaflet – harmonisation*

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- Standard templates for SPC, PL & label
  - Use the same in MRP & DCP as for CP
    - QRD-templates
      - Harmonised format, order and layout for SPC, PL, labelling
      - Set out standardised headings
      - Available in all official EU languages
        - ✓ At the EMEA Homepage
    - Standardisation is important – also in respect to the e-submissions (PIM-project)



## *Improving the PL*

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- Readability test
  - Art. 63 b (2) “The PL must be written and designed to be clear and understandable, enabling the users to act appropriately, when necessary with the help of health professionals.”



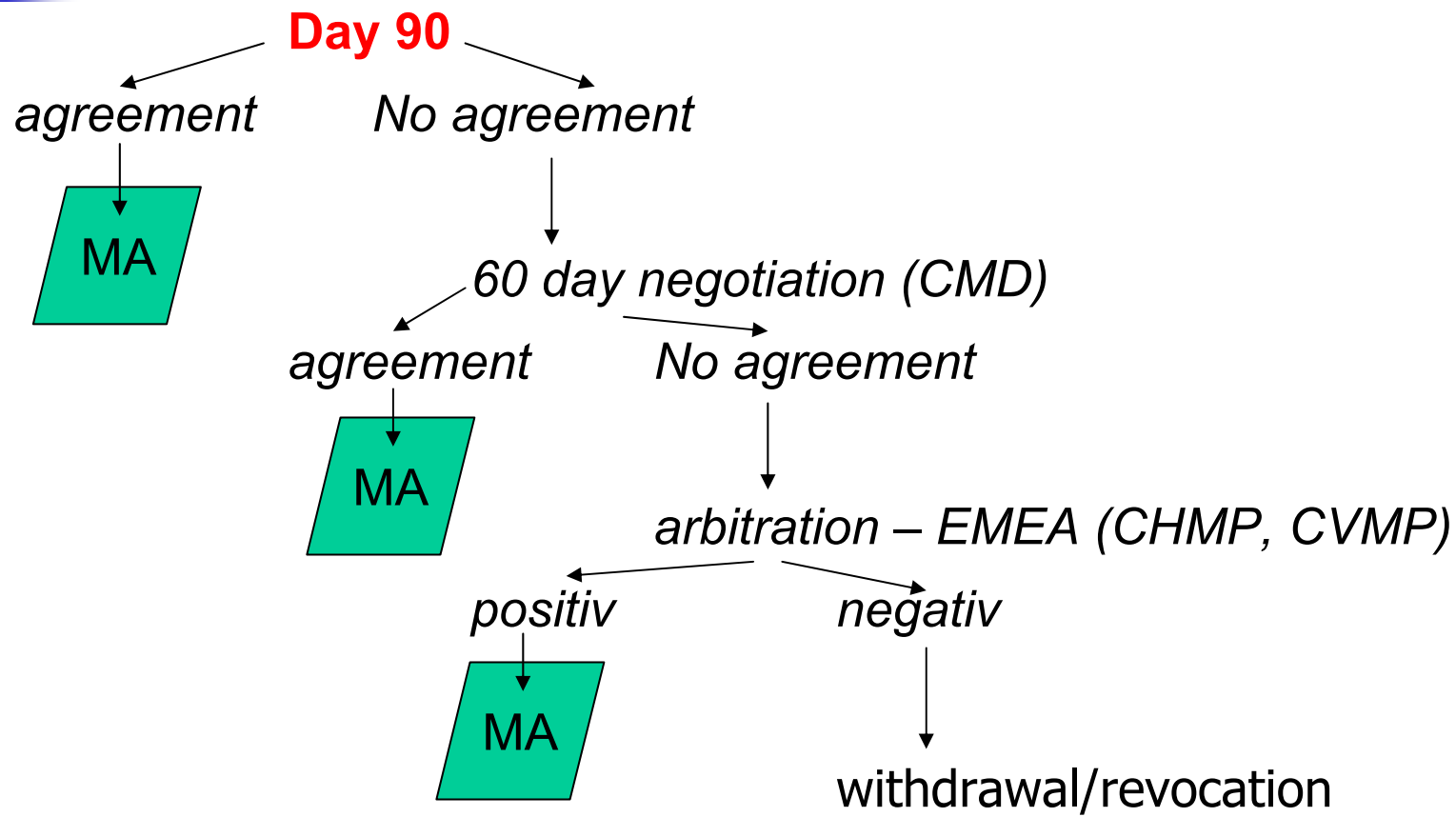
## *Package leaflet*

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### **Art. 59 (3) – Readability test**

- ✓ „The PL shall reflect the results of consultations with target patient groups to ensure that it is legible, clear to use“
  - Necessity to perform the test in each MS-language?
  - Is one language (eg. English) enough, 3 languages?
  - Is it necessary for all kind of products?
    - Also for products which are for hospital use only?
    - Generic products, .....?
  - Timing of the testing?
    - Before the submission – test is part of the original application?  
Most likely the PL will change a lot during the assessment.
    - Later in the procedure?

# MRP & DCP – situation after day 90





## MRP, DCP

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*A CMS cannot agree with the AR & SPC, PL, labelling, and is raising serious potential risk to public health (Guideline published)*

- ➔ The elements of disagreement shall be forwarded to the CMD (former MRFG)
- Within the CMD the MS's shall use their best endeavours to reach agreement
    - Possibility for an oral explanation of the applicant



## MRP & DCP




*If no agreement can be reached*

- Still disagreement after this consultation – the elements of disagreement „serious public health concerns“ are forwarded to the Agency

 „forced“ arbitration



 MS´s that are in agreement with the AR & SPC, PL & labelling may authorise the medicinal product, without waiting for the outcome of the procedure



# MRP / DCP

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- Preparing for a MRP/DCP
  - Choice of the RMS
  - Choice MRP/DCP?
  - Choice of the CMS – all or selected (stepwise entrance into the EU)
  - Time during the calendar year
  - Availability of RMS experts/company experts during the procedure?
  - Contacts and relations with the RMS (CMS) before/during the procedure



# *MRFG* → *Co-Ordination Group for MRP & DCP (CMD)*

➤ ***Dir. 2004/27 Art. 27***

- With a legal status
  - One representative from each MS, appointed for 3 years (renewable)
  - Members could be accompanied by experts
- Dialogue between MS's
  - Monthly meetings at the EMEA, EMEA provides secretariat
  - Rules of procedure - currently discussed at the MRFG
  - Operational - Nov. 2005  
(Start – old MRFG with CG-members – April 2005)







# Co-Ordination Group

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- Dialogue between MS's
  - Procedural / regulatory
    - Regulatory SOP's, guidelines and recommendations
    - Harmonised view on the interpretation of Dir & Reg
  - Scientific
    - Scientific discussion to resolve scientific problems, arbitration only in exceptional cases
    - Identification of the need to modify or develop new guidelines (establishment of ad-hoc groups)



## *Co-Ordination Group*

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- Harmonisation of SPC's
  - Once a year the CG will elaborate a list of products where the SPC need to be harmonised
- Risk management
  - Close liaison with the Pharmacovigilance WP
  - Arrangements for work sharing of PSUR's

Thank you !

