

# THE EUROPEAN DIRECTORATE FOR THE QUALITY OF MEDICINES & HEALTHCARE (EDQM)



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# The CEP 2.0 Webinar for CEP holders and CEP users

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# Agenda

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- The CEP 2.0 – result of the «CEP of the Future» project
- Main changes and developments
  - Requirements to the content and structure of the dossier (module 1 and module 3)
  - Enhanced responsibility for the information-sharing between CEP holders & MAH
  - Reduction of revisions of CEPs
  - On-line databases
  - Information reported on the CEP
  - Implementation timeline
- Questions & Answers

# Why CEP 2.0?

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- “CEP of the future” launched in 2020 to design a “new-look” CEP

## WHY?

- Meet the most recent needs of stakeholders: CEP holders/API manufacturers, drug product manufacturers, regulatory agencies (worldwide)
- Ease the registration activities linked to the use of CEPs
- Increase the acceptance of CEPs

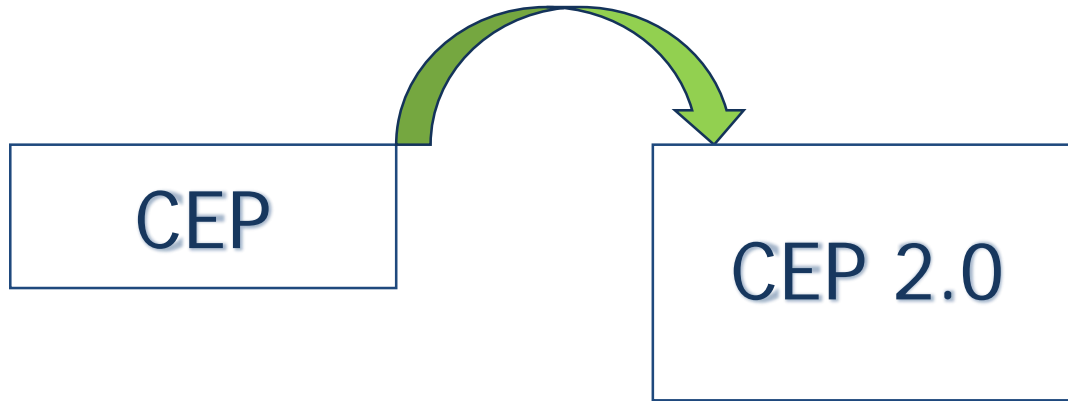
## WHO AND HOW?

- EDQM + Survey + public consultations



# Why CEP 2.0?

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## “new-look” CEP:

- ✓ meets the current needs of stakeholders
- ✓ offers greater transparency
- ✓ reduces the regulatory burden

# What will change



Area 1: CEPs and information reported



Area 2: Changes regarding assessment of CEP applications



Area 3: On-line public certification database



Area 4: Authorities Database



Area 5: Fostering information sharing between CEP holders & MAH



Area 6: Reduction of revisions of CEPs



Area 7: Impact of changes and their implementation



Area 8: Trainings for assessors, CEP holders and CEP users



Area 9: Revising documents available on the website



[Download the document](#) explaining the implementation

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# Requirements to the dossier: content and structure



# The CEP 2.0 – requirements to the dossier

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## Application form and Module 1

- updated application forms in force as of 1 June 2023 (available on the EDQM website [link to application forms](#))
  - Holder's Commitment updated to reflect the CEP holder's responsibilities towards their customers and to anticipate potential confidential sharing of reports for the dossier with Competent Authorities of those countries with which the EDQM has a Memorandum of Understanding and/or Confidentiality Agreement in place.



# The CEP 2.0 – requirements to the dossier

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## What has changed:

- **use of** the EMA SPOR/OMS Organisation (**Org**) and Location (**Loc**) ID becomes mandatory for all sites listed in the application form. Org and Loc ID will be reflected on the CEP

**ACTION: include EMA OMS SPOR Org ID and Loc ID in the application form for all sites**

# EMA SPOR/OMS Organisation and Location ID

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# The CEP 2.0 – requirements to the dossier

## Reminder on the importance of comparative table in applications for revisions



**Changes must be individually classified and declared in the comparative table**

**IF NOT, change(s) considered as: not declared = not assessed = **not approved****



### 3. Comparative table

The comparative table should highlight the differences between the approved and proposed text of module 3, together with the correct classification of each change according to the EDQM Guideline for revisions. The justification for the changes should be fully developed in the cover letter.

Annexes	Yes	N/A
7) Comparative table	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

[link to the refresher on good practices](#)

# The CEP 2.0 – requirements to the dossier

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CEP dossier (modules 2 and 3) will reflect the assessment performed and the approved specification

The process description and the specification sections of the CEP dossier should contain **only the information** corresponding to the **quality claimed**

Any other data **should not be** included in the dossier if **no corresponding** specific **grade** is requested

**ACTION: include only relevant information in the dossier**

# The CEP 2.0 – requirements to the dossier

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## Maximum Daily Dose (MDD):

- The CEP holder/applicant is requested to include in their dossier (in 3.2.S.1.3) the Maximum Daily Dose (MDD), route of administration and treatment duration considered for the development of their control strategy and specification presented in their CEP dossier.
- This information is also to be shared between the CEP holder and the drug product manufacturer/MAH.

# The CEP 2.0 – requirements to the dossier

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## GRADES:

it is optional to apply for a grade on the CEP **(no change)**.

- In the past situations existed when no grade was mentioned on the CEP in the subtitle, however, numerous specifications could be included and/or reference to optional manufacturing process steps was given (most typical example – optional micronisation).

# The CEP 2.0 – requirements to the dossier

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## GRADES:

In all cases, all sections of the dossier should be consistent within the dossier itself **and** with the CEP when granted

If the applicant **does not apply** for a grade, data on micronisation, particle size, sterilisation, etc. should not be included in the dossier.

Only if a grade is claimed, sites in charge of the concerned physico-chemical treatments such as milling, micronisation and sterilisation should also be listed in 3.2.S.2.1. If a grade is not requested, the information for the related sites should not be included in the CEP dossier and application.

# The CEP 2.0 – requirements to the dossier

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## QUALITY OF WATER:

Section **3.2.S.2.3** should specify the quality of the water used within the manufacturing process.

Choice and definition of the grade should be based on the EMA “Guideline on the quality of water for pharmaceutical use (EMA/CHMP/CVMP/QWP/496873/2018)” and Ph. Eur.

More information about the quality of water may be required at the level of the marketing authorisation application with regard to the intended final use of the substance.



# The CEP 2.0 – requirements to the dossier

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**Approved specification** (as in the section 3.2.S.4.1) will be appended to the CEP;

- the specification sections of the CEP dossier should contain only the information corresponding to the quality claimed
- Specification for micronisation, particle size, microbiological controls, etc. should not be included in the dossier if no corresponding specific grade is requested.
- Any **additional methods** needed to control the quality of the substance included in the specification will be assessed (validation, cross-validation) and appended to the CEP

# The CEP 2.0 – requirements to the dossier

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## **Expectations to the specification included in module 3:**

- should be free of highlighting, tracked changes, coloured text, and watermarks. The given text should be legible and the use of scanned documents is to be avoided.
- All headers and footers will be removed by EDQM during preparation of the Annexes and CEP holders/applicants are encouraged to avoid their use in sections 3.2.S.4.1 and 3.2.S.4.2 of their submissions.
- The tabular format is requested. Parameters, limits and reference of the method to be reported in the table (e.g. Ph. Eur., in-house).
- In case of in-house impurities controlled in the final substance, an unequivocal chemical name of the compound should be used (in-house code may be added if relevant).

# The CEP 2.0 – requirements to the dossier

## Example of the specification:

Parameters	Limits	Reference
Characters	White or almost white, crystalline powder	Ph. Eur. current edition
Solubility	Practically insoluble in water, slightly soluble in anhydrous ethanol and in methylene chloride.	Ph. Eur. current edition
Identification Test A (IR) Test B (HPLC)	Complies to reference Positive	Ph. Eur. current edition
Specific optical rotation (o.d.b.)	+158° to + 167°	Ph. Eur. current edition
Loss on drying	≤ 0.5 %	Ph. Eur. current edition
Related substances		Ph. Eur. current edition
Impurity A	≤ 0.5%	
Impurity B	≤ 0.3%	
Impurity C	≤ 0.15%	
Impurity D	≤ 0.15%	
Unspecified impurities	≤ 0.10%	
Total	≤ 1.5%	
Assay (o.d.b.)	97.0% to 102.0 %	Ph. Eur. current edition
Residual solvents (by GC)		In-house
Ethanol	≤ 5000 ppm	
N,N-dimethylformamide	≤ 880 ppm	
N-Nitrosodimethylamine (NDMA) (by GC-MS)	≤ 3.0 ppm	In-house

# The CEP 2.0 – requirements to the dossier

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## Expectations to the layout of the analytical methods:

- separate section 3.2.S.4.2 into **two distinct sections** as follows.

m3

32-body data

32s-drug-sub

32s42-analy-proc

analytical procedures-equiv\_ih-subsection 1

analytical procedures-add\_ih-subsection 2

# The CEP 2.0 – requirements to the dossier

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## Methods of the Ph. Eur. monograph

Details of the methods of the Ph. Eur. monograph **should not** be reproduced in section 3.2.S.4.2. This applies also in case chromatographic adjustments are made to the Ph. Eur. method within the scope of Ph. Eur. chapter 2.2.46.

# The CEP 2.0 – requirements to the dossier

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## Subsection 1 –Alternative analytical test procedures to those of the Ph. Eur. monograph

- any in house analytical test procedures, which following validation and cross validation with the method of the Ph. Eur. monograph, have been determined to be **equivalent**.
- All analytical test procedures provided in Subsection 1 must be **fully described**.
- As these test procedures are considered equivalent to the method of the Ph. Eur. monograph they **will not be** appended to the CEP document.

# The CEP 2.0 – requirements to the dossier

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## Subsection 2 – Additional in house method(s)

Additional in house methods are those necessary to ensure the quality of the substance when the Ph. Eur. Method(s) is not suitable to control in-house impurities and/or to supplement monograph methods.

# The CEP 2.0 – requirements to the dossier

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## Subsection 2 – Additional in house test procedure(s)

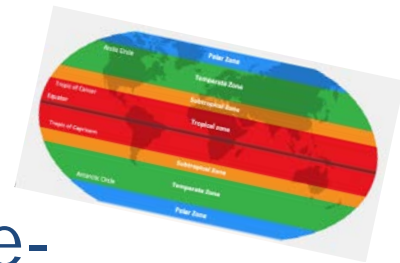
- analytical test procedures in Subsection 2 must be **fully described** and **appropriately validated**.
- they will be appended in full to the CEP.
- **Legible documents** suitable to be appended to the CEP



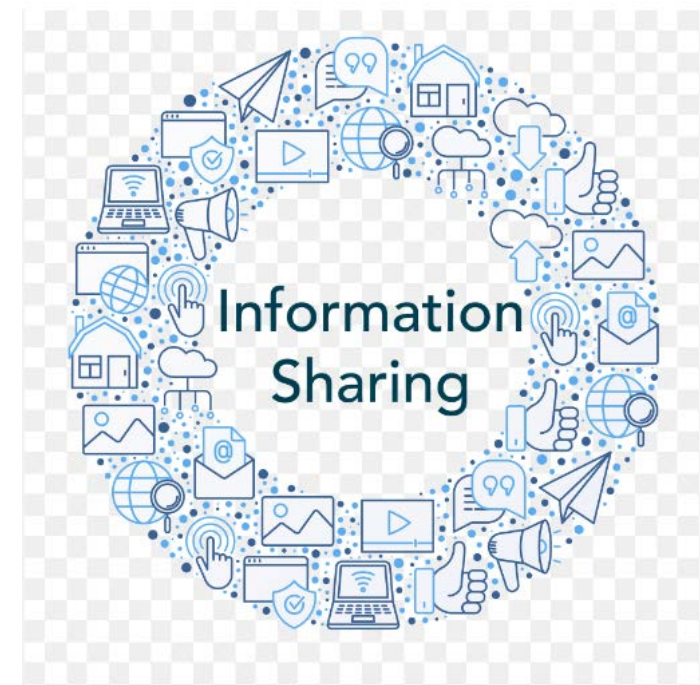
# Stability

- Encouragement to include stability data in CEP applications and to claim re-test period to benefit from the centralised assessment of these data at the level of the CEP
- More flexibility with regard to storage conditions/temperature
  - Restrictive storage conditions with respect to temperature may be accepted and reflected on the CEP with the re-test period provided they correspond to the conditions in which stability data have been obtained.
- Assessment of stability data with reference to additional climatic zones (III and IV) and inclusion of corresponding re-test period on CEPs if proposed by applicants (optional).

RETEST PERIOD ?



# Enhanced responsibility for the information-sharing between CEP holders & MAH



# Fostering information sharing CEP holders & MAH

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- CEP holder shall provide information to their customers in addition to the CEP. CEP holder and MAH agree on information shared and format.
- In January 2022 the document “CEP holders responsibilities towards their customers” as a reminder to CEP holders (EDQM web-site)
- This aspect is checked during EDQM GMP inspections.
- Reinforcement of this responsibility in 2023
  - A commitment as part of the application form for a CEP
  - A specific sentence on this obligation in the CEP document
  - *Publication of history of procedures in the public certification database, so users are aware of changes and can ask details from the CEP holders.*

# Fostering information sharing CEP holders & MAH

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- No declaration of access box in the CEP document anymore
  - replaced by a template available on the EDQM website.

## **ACTION:**

**Holders should provide their customers with the letter of access according to the template available on the EDQM website**



# Reduction of revisions of CEPs



- CEPs no longer revised for changes not impacting their content even in case of major revisions.
- Stop releasing a “renewed” CEP following the renewal procedure (the renewal process will be kept), except if the content is impacted → impact on the CEP numbering
  - This will concern CEPs already in the “new look”.



# On-line Certification databases

# On-line **Public** Certification database

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New features in addition to current ones

- EMA SPOR OMS ORG\_ID and LOC\_ID for holder
- Access to short history of finalised procedures with:
  - ✓ type of procedure (e.g. minor revision, notification, major revision, renewal, monograph revision)
  - ✓ end/finalisation date, outcome (i.e. CEP revised, CEP remains valid etc)
  - ✓ corresponding CEP number if any.



Full history information may not be available due to change of IT technology and tool





# Authorities database (restricted)

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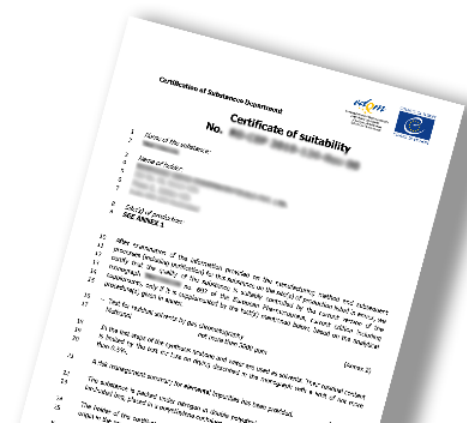
- Restricted access already granted to Ph. Eur. regulatory authorities
- Extension of access to some regulatory authorities beyond Ph. Eur. as part of worldwide acceptance of CEPs under suitable confidentiality agreements and MoU
  - Display on the EDQM website of a public list of authorities which will have access to the Authorities database
  - Updated holder's declarations as part of the CEP application form to cover this aspect.



# CEPs and information reported

# The CEP 2.0 – information reported

- CEP remains a « document », with a layout similar to the current one.
- Electronic document with a digital signature.
- Downloadable as a pdf or printed by CEP holders to share with their customers, for inclusion in MAA.
- **No paper copy** will be delivered by EDQM



# The CEP 2.0 – information reported

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Information which remains on the CEP 2.0 (unchanged):

- Subtitle
- List of class 3 solvents used in the last steps of the process and controlled by loss on drying
- Use of water in the last steps of the process
- Information on elemental impurities (Risk management summary (RMS) or statements on use/non-use)
- Container closure system and re-test period

# The CEP 2.0 – information reported

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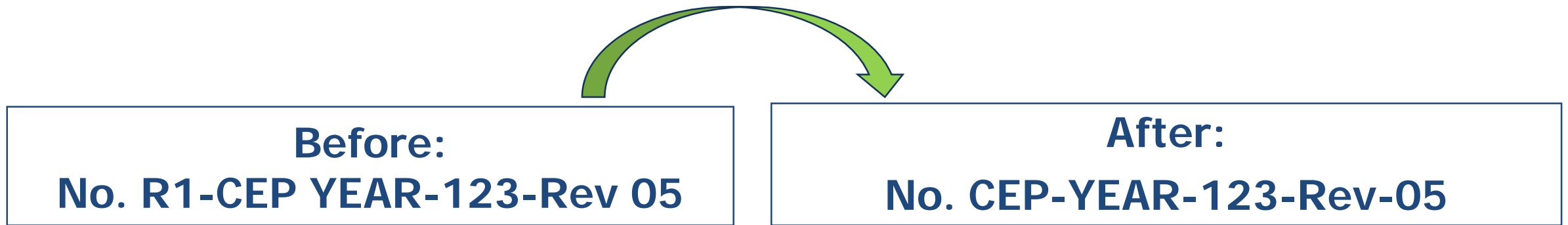
- Statement regarding Production section of the monograph only when not assessed by EDQM (has to be addressed as part of the MAA)
- Statement on method of sterilisation when applicable
- For herbal CEPs, extraction solvents and excipients.

# The CEP 2.0 – information reported

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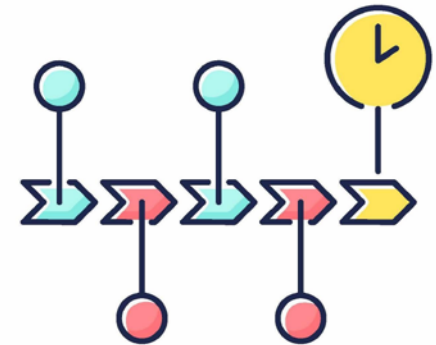
## What will change:

- **numbering system:** the increment due to renewal is no longer part of the number



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# Stepwise Implementation



# The CEP 2.0 – implementation timeline

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Coexistence of “old look”, “hybrid look” and “new look” CEPs for some time

## Q3 2023:

- « **New look CEPs** » for any new CEP and at renewal
- « **Hybrid look** » after revision of existing dossiers when there is no impact on the information reported on the CEP
- Valid « **Old look** » CEPs (= current layout) will remain
- Possibility for CEP holders to submit a special type of revision to move to « New look » CEP for existing ones – optional (at later stage).



- The “old look” corresponds to CEPs as granted till the implementation of CEP 2.0
- This means that no CEP will be granted with the “old look” after the implementation of the CEP 2.0
- CEPs granted before this date will still be valid until they get revised.

Certification of Substances Department

**Certificate of suitability**  
**No. R1-CEP 20XX-XXX-Rev 02**

1 *Name of the substance:*  
2 **CHOCOLATE**

3 *Name of holder:*  
4 **ABRACADABRA Ltd**  
5 13 Magic Street  
6 Wonderland-987 654 Sugar town

7 *Site(s) of production:*  
8 **SEE ANNEX 1**

9 **THIS CERTIFICATE SUPERSEDES THE PREVIOUS CERTIFICATE**  
10 **R1-CEP 20XX-XXX-REV 01**

11 After examination of the information provided on the manufacturing method and subsequent  
12 processes (including purification) for this substance on the site(s) of production listed in annex, we  
13 certify that the quality of the substance is suitably controlled by the current version of the  
14 monograph **CHOCOLATE** NO. XXXX of the European Pharmacopoeia, current edition including  
15 supplements, only if it is supplemented by the test(s) mentioned below, based on the analytical  
16 procedure(s) given in annex.

17 – Test for residual solvents by gas chromatography (Annex 2)  
18 1.2 Dioxane not more than 380 ppm

19 In the last steps of the synthesis, water is used as solvent.

20 No elemental impurity classified in ICH Q3D is intentionally introduced in the manufacture of  
21 the substance.

22 The re-test period of the substance is 12 months if stored in double polyethylene bags in a  
23 triple laminated bag.

24 The holder of the certificate has declared the absence of use of material of human or animal  
25 origin in the manufacture of the substance

26 The submitted dossier must be updated after any significant change that may alter the quality,  
27 safety or efficacy of the substance.

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- 28 Manufacture of the substance shall take place in accordance with the Good Manufacturing Practice
- 29 and in accordance with the dossier submitted.
- 30 Failure to comply with these provisions will render this certificate void.
- 31 This certificate is renewed from **16 May 2021** according to the provisions of Resolution
- 32 AP-CSP (07) 1, and of Directive 2001/83/EC and Directive 2001/82/EC and any subsequent
- 33 amendment, and the related guidelines.
- 34 This certificate has two annexes, the first of 1 page and the second of 4 pages.
- 35 This certificate has:
- 36 lines.

On behalf of the  
Director of EDQM

Strasbourg, 16 May 2022

DECLARATION OF ACCESS *(to be filled in by the certificate holder under their own responsibility)*

**ABRACADABRA Ltd.**, as holder of the certificate of suitability  
**R1-CEP 20XX-XXX-Rev 02 for Chocolate**

hereby authorises .....  
*(name of the pharmaceutical company)*

to use the above-mentioned certificate of suitability in support of their application(s) for the following  
Marketing Authorisation(s): *(name of product(s) and marketing number(s), if known)*

The holder also certifies that no significant changes to the operations as described in the CEP dossier  
have been made since the granting of this version of the certificate.

Date and Signature *(of the CEP holder):*

**Certification of Substances Department**

**Annex 1: Site(s) of production for R1-CEP 20XX-XXX-Rev 02**

**Production of intermediate:**

CAKE LTD  
7 chocolate street  
Fantasyland-123456 Pepper town

**Production of Chocolate:**

ABRACADABRA Ltd  
13 Magic Street  
Wonderland-987654 Sugar town

**Residual solvents**

Dioxane ≤ 380 ppm.

Reference solution: Weigh 300 mg of methanol, 60 mg of dichloromethane, 89 mg of toluene and 38 mg of 1,4 dioxane in a 100 mL volumetric flask, dilute and take to capacity with dimethyl sulfoxide. Take a 10 mL aliquot and place it in a 50 mL volumetric flask and take to capacity with dimethyl sulfoxide. Transfer 2 mL of this solution to a head space vial.

Sample solution: Weigh 400 mg of the sample, transfer to a head space vial and add 2 mL of dimethyl sulfoxide. Mix this solution until dissolution. Prepare this solution two times

**Chromatographic conditions.**

Columns	CP-SIL 5 CB 30m, 0.53mm, film 1.5µm, CP-WAX52 CB 30m, 0.53mm, film 1.0µm			
Detector	FID			
Injector temperature	250 °C			
Detector temperature	300 °C			
Carrier gas	Helium			
Gas flow	6.5 mL/ min			
Split ratio	4.4			
Run time	17.0 min			
Temperature ramp	Event	Velocity (°C/min)	Temperature (°C)	Hold time (min)
	0		30.0	5.0
	1	10.0	100.0	0.0
	2	30.0	200.0	1.67

**Head space conditions.**

Oven temperature:	80 °C
Syringe temperature:	90 °C
Incubation time:	15 min
Injection volume:	0.5 mL

- Inject the blank solution.
- Inject six times the reference solution, verify that the relative standard deviation is not greater to 10%.
- Inject the sample solution 1 and sample solution 2.
- Calculate the content of each solvent in the sample by using the following equations:

$$ppm \text{ of solvent} = \frac{A_{\text{samp}}}{A_{\text{std}}} \times \frac{W_{\text{std}}}{W_{\text{samp}}} \times \frac{FD_{\text{samp}}}{FD_{\text{std}}} \times 1000000$$

Where:

- A samp = Obtained area in the chromatogram of the sample
- A std = Obtained area in the chromatogram of the standard
- W std = Weigh of the standard in mg.
- W samp = Weigh of the sample in mg.
- DF std = Dilution factor of the standard (500).
- DF samp = Dilution factor of the sample (2).
- 1000000 = Conversion to ppm

## Certification of Substances Department

### Certificate of suitability No. CEP 202X-XXX-Rev 01

1 *Name of the substance:*  
2 **CHOCOLATE**

3 *Name of holder:*  
4 **ABRACADABRA Ltd**  
5 13 Magic Street  
6 Wonderland-987654  
7 **ORG\_ID 998877665**  
8 **LOC\_ID 112233456**

9 *Site(s) of production:*  
10 **SEE ANNEX 1**

11 **THIS CERTIFICATE SUPERSEDES THE PREVIOUS CERTIFICATE**  
12 **R0-CEP 202X-XXX-REV 00**

13 After examination of the information provided on the manufacturing method and subsequent  
14 processes (including purification) for this substance on the site(s) of production listed in annex, we  
15 certify that the quality of the substance is suitably controlled by the current version of the  
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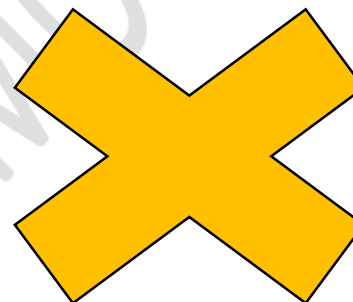
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This is a mock up and not the final version  
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## Certification of Substances Department

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Certification of Substances Department

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1 Name of the substance:  
2 CHOCOLATE

3 Name of holder:  
4 ABRACADABRA Ltd  
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27 The CEP holder should provide the Marketing Authorisation Holders with any necessary information  
28 that is needed to guarantee the quality, safety and efficacy of the medicines.

29 Failure to comply with these provisions will render this certificate void.

30 This certificate is granted within the framework of the procedure established by the European  
31 Pharmacopoeia Commission [Resolution AP-CSP (07) 1] starting from  
32 16 May 2024. Moreover, it is granted according to the provisions of Directive 2001/83/EC and  
33 Directive 2001/82/EC and any subsequent amendment, and the related guidelines.

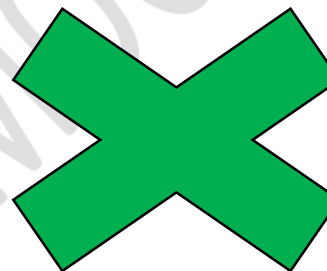
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*Helene Bruguera* 

On behalf of the  
Director of EDQM

Strasbourg, 16 May 2024



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**Certification of Substances Department**

Site(s) of production for CEP-2023-836-Rev-00

**Production of intermediate:**

CAKE Ltd  
7 chocolate street  
Fantasyland-123456 Pepper town  
ORG\_ID 999666333  
LOC\_ID 246246246

**Production of Pyrimethamine:**

ABRACADABRA Ltd  
13 Magic Street  
Wonderland-987654 Sugar town  
ORG\_ID 998877665  
LOC\_ID 112233456

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**3.2.S.4.1 - Specification**

Test	Specification	Method
<i>Appearance</i>	White, odorless, <del>crystalline powder</del> .	In-house
<i>Solubility</i>	Slightly soluble in acetone, in alcohol, and in chloroform; practically insoluble in water.	In-house
<i>Identification</i>		
A) IR	Infrared spectrum obtained with a test preparation exhibits the same peaks at the same wavelengths as that of a reference preparation	Ph. Eur. 2.2.24 Method
B) CHLORIDE	The solution meets the requirements of the test.	In-house
C) HPLC	The retention time of the main peak of the sample solution corresponds to that obtained with the reference solution, as obtained in the Assay.	In-house
<i>Appearance of the solution</i>	The solution is clear and <del>not more intensely</del> colored than the reference solution BY6.	Ph. Eur. 2.2.2 Method II
<i>Acidity or alkalinity</i>	The solution is <del>pink</del>	Ph. Eur. Monograph
	The solution is red or orange	
<i>Melting range</i>	<del>Between</del> 239 °C and 242 °C	Ph. Eur. 2.2.14 Method
<i>Loss on drying</i>	It loses not more than 0.5% of its weight	Ph. Eur. 2.2.32 Method
<i>Sulfated ash</i>	≤ 0.10%	In-house
<i>Sulfates</i>	Maximum 80 ppm, determined on solution S	Ph. Eur. 2.4.13 Method
<i>Related Substances</i>		
<i>Individual impurities</i>	≤ 0.10%	Ph. Eur. 2.4.29 Method
<i>Total impurities</i>	≤ 0.3%	
<i>Assay (HPLC)</i>	99.0 – 101.0%	In-house
<i>Residual Solvents</i>		
<i>Methanol</i>	≤ 3000 ppm	In-house
<i>Dichloromethane</i>	≤ 600 ppm	
<i>Toluene</i>	≤ 890 ppm	
<i>Dioxane</i>	≤ 380 ppm	



## 3.2.S.4.2 – Analytical procedures



### Residual solvents

- Methanol ≤ 3000 ppm.
- Dichloromethane ≤ 600 ppm.
- Toluene ≤ 890 ppm.
- Dioxane ≤ 380 ppm.

**Reference solution:** Weigh 300 mg of methanol, 60 mg of dichloromethane, 89 mg of toluene and 38 mg of 1,4 dioxane in a 100 mL volumetric flask, dilute and take to capacity with dimethyl sulfoxide. Take a 10 mL aliquot and place it in a 50 mL volumetric flask and take to capacity with dimethyl sulfoxide. Transfer 2 mL of this solution to a head space vial.

**Sample solution:** Weigh 400 mg of the sample, transfer to a head space vial and add 2 mL of dimethyl sulfoxide. Mix this solution until dissolution.

Prepare this solution two times

### Chromatographic conditions.

Columns	CP-SIL 5 CB 30m, 0.53mm, film 1.5µm, CP-WAX52 CB 30m, 0.53mm, film 1.0µm		
Detector	FID		
Injector temperature	250 °C		
Detector temperature	300 °C		
Carrier gas	Helium		
Gas flow	6.5 mL/min		
Split ratio	4,4		
Run time	17.0 min		
Temperature ramp	Event	Velocity (°C/min)	Temperature (°C)
	0		30.0
	1	10.0	100.0
	2	30.0	200.0
			Hold time (min)
			5.0
			0.0
			1.67

### Head space conditions.

Oven temperature:	80 °C
Syringe temperature:	90 °C

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Incubation time:	15 min
Injection volume:	0.5 mL

1. Inject the blank solution.
2. Inject six times the reference solution, verify that the relative standard deviation is not greater to 10%.
3. Inject the sample solution 1 and sample solution 2.
4. Calculate the content of each solvent in the sample by using the following equations:

$$\text{ppm of solvent} = \frac{A_{\text{samp}}}{A_{\text{std}}} \times \frac{W_{\text{std}}}{W_{\text{samp}}} \times \frac{DF_{\text{samp}}}{DF_{\text{std}}} \times 1000000$$

Where:

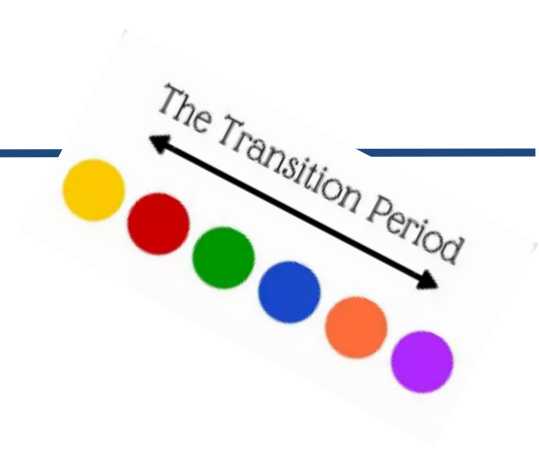
- A samp = Obtained area in the chromatogram of the sample
- A std = Obtained area in the chromatogram of the standard
- W std = Weigh of the standard in mg.
- W samp = Weigh of the sample in mg.
- DF std = Dilution factor of the standard (500).
- DF samp = Dilution factor of the sample (2).
- 1000000 = Conversion to ppm

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# Stepwise & smooth implementation

**Smooth transition** for CEP holders, EDQM and users



- EDQM will provide guidance and support to identify and understand the different layouts.
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# Any question, need of clarification or suggestions?

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