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Requesting Inclusion of Information in Thomson Micromedex Databases



BACKGROUND

Thomson Micromedex is recognized worldwide as a provider of unbiased information in the areas of drugs, disease, and toxicology. Our content facilitates the practice of evidence-based medicine whereby the clinician can identify best practices and choose the most appropriate treatment plan for a specific patient.

The proprietary, unbiased information contained in Thomson Micromedex products is based on our ongoing editorial review of primary literature published in thousands of peer-reviewed journals as well as FDA-approved product labeling. Inclusion of information is determined through identification of relevant literature and through the use of validated and documented literature evaluation techniques that assess methodological rigor, appropriateness of statistical analyses, as well as clinical relevance. Our surveillance of the literature is extensive and continuous.

EXTERNAL REQUESTS FOR INCLUSION OF INFORMATION

In addition to our rigorous internal processes, we occasionally receive external requests for inclusion of information in our databases. Thomson Micromedex adheres to a policy under which external requests may be submitted for consideration. If there are certain articles or studies you would like to forward to Thomson Micromedex for consideration, we ask that you submit your request in writing.

This request must include the following:

- » Name of requestor
- » Date of submission
- » Affiliation of requestor (e.g., name of pharmaceutical company, organization, institution, etc.)
- » Disclosure of relevant financial relationships with a bearing on the drug or product(s) in question
- » Contact information including address, phone number, and email address
- » Identification and brief explanation of request (Please note: The explanation should clearly indicate if request involves a patient safety issue.)
- » If applicable, a statement describing the proposed indication including:
 - The specific disease state
 - The specific patient population
 - And, whether the treatment involves mono- or combination therapy. If the treatment involves combination therapy, address specific components of the therapy.
- » Evidence base for request, including all negative and/or inconclusive findings and certification of inclusion of all such findings; a complete bibliography; and, six (6) reprints of original articles, abstracts, poster presentations, or other documentation. All submitted journal articles, abstracts, and conference presentations must be reprints/reproductions from the journal and/or conference proceeding. The preceding items that are not reprints/reproductions will be disregarded. For unpublished findings or findings published in abstracts, proceedings, or poster presentations, additional details about methodology (e.g., statistical tests, power determination, and randomization procedures), and results should be included (e.g., IRB Papers, original poster presentation submissions, trial protocols, detailed study results, etc.).

Submissions should be mailed to:

Thomson Micromedex
 Attn: Medical Librarian
 6200 S. Syracuse Way, Suite 300
 Greenwood Village, CO 80111

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Evidence in the form of randomized, controlled trials published in peer-reviewed journals is preferred. Unpublished information indicating potential breakthrough therapies will be considered. Animal studies will not be considered. Please note that all submitted evidence may be referenced at the discretion of Thomson Micromedex. Furthermore, Thomson Micromedex will retain on file all submitted information, published and unpublished, in accordance with internal policy and as allowable under U.S. copyright law.

We will acknowledge all external requests to include off-label information in or otherwise modify a Thomson Micromedex database. We are unable to provide any other feedback or response to such requests or regarding any literature/evidence submitted. All requests will be reviewed in accordance with established Thomson Micromedex policies on content development, including the Policy on Off-Label Indications. Furthermore, should we determine submitted information warrants inclusion in our databases, we cannot provide the requestor with a prepublication copy of text. Finally, the inclusion or exclusion of information in our databases as well as assignment of an efficacy rating or other relevant ratings is at the sole discretion of Thomson Micromedex editorial staff.

Thomson Micromedex reserves the right to modify its policy on requesting inclusion of information in its databases, as deemed appropriate.



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