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## APPROVED NAMES

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This leaflet provides: (a) a list of the Approved Names used in the titles of monographs included in the Pharmacopœia for the first time by means of the 1963 edition, and (b) an index of proprietary and other names of the substances and preparations.

APPROVED NAME	OTHER NAMES
BENDROFLUAZIDE	3-Benzyl-3,4-dihydro-6-trifluoromethylbenzo-1,2,4-thiadiazine-7-sulphonamide 1,1-dioxide Aprinox; Centyl; Neo-Naclax
BENZALKONIUM CHLORIDE	Alkylbenzyltrimethylammonium chlorides P.R.Q. Antiseptic; Roccal; Zephiran
BENZTROPINE	3-Diphenylmethoxytropene Cogentin is the methanesulphonate
CARAMIPHEN	2-Diethylaminoethyl 1-phenylcyclopentane-1-carboxylate Parpanit is the hydrochloride; Taoryl is the ethane-disulphonate
CETYLPIRIDINIUM CHLORIDE	1-Hexadecylpyridinium chloride Ceepryn
CHLORAMBUCIL	$\gamma$ -4-Di-(2-chloroethyl)aminophenylbutyric acid Leukeran
CHLORPHENESIN	3-(4-Chlorophenoxy)propane-1,2-diol Mycil
CHLORPHENIRAMINE	1-(4-Chlorophenyl)-3-dimethylamino-1,2'-pyridylpropane Chlorprophenpyridamine
CHLORPROPAMIDE	Chlor-Trimeton and Piriton are the hydrogen maleate <i>N</i> -4-Chlorobenzenesulphonyl- <i>N'</i> -propylurea Diabinese
CROTAMITON	<i>N</i> -Crotonoyl- <i>N</i> -ethyl- <i>o</i> -toluidine Eurax
CYCLIZINE	1-Methyl-4- $\alpha$ -phenylbenzylpiperazine Marzine is the hydrochloride; Valoid is the hydrochloride or the lactate
CYCLOMETHYCAINE	3-(2-Methylpiperidino)propyl 4-cyclohexyloxybenzoate Surfathesin is the sulphate
CYCLOSERINE	D-4-Aminoisoxazolid-3-one Seromycin
DEMETHYLCHLORTETRACYCLINE	7-Chloro-4-dimethylamino-1,4,4a,5,5a,6,11,12a-octahydro-3,6,10,12,12a-pentahydroxy-1,11-dioxonaphthacene-2-carboxamide Declomycin; Ledermycin
DEQUALINIUM CHLORIDE	Decamethylenedi-(4-aminoquinaldinium chloride) Dequadin
DEXAMETHASONE	9 $\alpha$ -Fluoro-11 $\beta$ ,17 $\alpha$ ,21-trihydroxy-16 $\alpha$ -methylpregna-1,4-diene-3,20-dione 9 $\alpha$ -Fluoro-16 $\alpha$ -methylprednisolone Decadron; Deronil; DexaCortisyl; Dextelan; Millicorten; Oradexon

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DEXTROMETHORPHAN	(+)-3-Methoxy- <i>N</i> -methylnorphinan Romilar is the hydrobromide
DICHLORPHENAMIDE	4,5-Dichlorobenzene-1,3-disulphonamide Daranide
DIETHAZINE	10-(2-Diethylaminoethyl)phenothiazine Diparcol is the hydrochloride
DIOXANIDE	4-( <i>N</i> -Methyldichloroacetamido)phenol Entamide; Furamide is the 2-furoate
DIMENHYDRINATE	Diphenhydramine salt of 8-chlorotheophylline Dramamine
DIMETHISTERONE	17 $\beta$ -Hydroxy-6 $\alpha$ ,21-dimethyl-17 $\alpha$ -pregn-4-en-20-yn-3-one 6 $\alpha$ ,21-Dimethylethisterone Secrosteron
DIPIANONE	4,4-Diphenyl-6-piperidinoheptan-3-one Pipadone is the hydrochloride
DITOPHAL	Diethyl dithiolisophthalate Etisul
DOMIPHEN BROMIDE	Dodecyl dimethyl-2-phenoxyethylammonium bromide Bradosol
EDROPHONIUM CHLORIDE	Ethyl-(3-hydroxyphenyl)dimethylammonium chloride Tensilon
ERYTHROMYCIN ESTOLATE	Erythromycin propionyl ester lauryl sulphate Ilosone
ETHOTOIN	3-Ethyl-5-phenylhydantoin Peganone
FLUDROCORTISONE	9 $\alpha$ -Fluoro-11 $\beta$ ,17 $\alpha$ ,21-trihydroxypregn-4-ene-3,20-dione 9 $\alpha$ -Fluorohydrocortisone Alflorone, Florinef, and Fludrocortone are the 21-acetate
FLUOXYMESTERONE	9 $\alpha$ -Fluoro-11 $\beta$ ,17 $\beta$ -dihydroxy-17 $\alpha$ -methylandroster-4-en-3-one 9 $\alpha$ -Fluoro-11 $\beta$ -hydroxy-17 $\alpha$ -methyltestosterone Ultandren
GLUTETHIMIDE	$\alpha$ -Ethyl- $\alpha$ -phenylglutarimide Doriden
GRISEOFULVIN	7-Chloro-4,6-dimethoxycoumaran-3-one-2-spiro-1'-(2'-methoxy-6'-methylcyclohex-2'-en-4'-one) Fulcin; Grisovin
GUANETHIDINE	1-(2-Guanidinoethyl)azacyclo-octane Ismelin is the sulphate
HEXACHLOROPHANE	Di-(3,5,6-trichloro-2-hydroxyphenyl)methane Hexachlorophene
HYDRALLAZINE	1-Hydrazinophthalazine Hydralazine Apresoline is the hydrochloride
HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE	6-Chloro-3,4-dihydrobenzo-1,2,4-thiadiazine-7-sulphonamide 1,1-dioxide Dichlotride; Direma; Esidrex; Hydril; Hydrodiuril; Hydrosaluric
HYDROFLUMETHIAZIDE	3,4-Dihydro-6-trifluoromethylbenzo-1,2,4-thiadiazine-7-sulphonamide 1,1-dioxide Di-Ademil; Hydrenox; Naclex; Rontyl
HYDROXOCOBALAMIN	$\alpha$ -(5,6-Dimethylbenzimidazolyl)hydroxocobamide Hydrovit; Neo-Cytamen
IMIPRAMINE	1-(3-Dimethylaminopropyl)-4,5-dihydro-2,3:6,7-dibenzazepine Tofranil is the hydrochloride
IODIPAMIDE	<i>NN'</i> -Di-(3-carboxy-2,4,6-tri-iodophenyl)adipamide Biligratin and Endografin are the bis- <i>N</i> -methylglucamine salt

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IOPHENDYLATE	Ethyl 10-(4-iodophenyl)undecanoate Etioidan; Myodil
ISOPHANE INSULIN	Isophane Insulin (NPH) NPH Insulin
LEVALLORPHAN	(-)-N-Allyl-3-hydroxymorphinan Lorfan is the hydrogen tartrate
LEVORPHANOL	(-)-3-Hydroxy-N-methylmorphinan Levorphan Dromoran is the hydrogen tartrate
MECAMYLAMINE	3-Methylaminoisocamphane Inversine and Mevasine are the hydrochloride
MECLOZINE	1-(4-Chloro- $\alpha$ -phenylbenzyl)-4-(3-methylbenzyl)- piperazine Ancolan is the dihydrochloride
MELARSQPROL	2-[4-(4,6-Diamino-1,3,5-triazin-2-ylamino)phenyl]- 4-hydroxymethyl-1,3,2-dithiasolan Mel B
MEPHENTERMINF	N $\alpha$ -Trimethylphenethylamine Mephine is the sulphate
MEPROBAMATE	2,2-Di(carbamoyloxymethyl)pentane Equanil; Mepavlon; Miltown
METHANDIENONE	17 $\beta$ -Hydroxy-17 $\alpha$ -methylandrosta-1,4-dien-3-one Dianabol
METHICILLIN	6-(2,6-Dimethoxybenzamido)penicillanic acid Celbenin and Staphcillin are the sodium salt
METHYLPREDNISOLONE	11 $\beta$ ,17 $\alpha$ ,21-Trihydroxy-6 $\alpha$ -methylpregna-1,4-diene- 3,20-dione 6 $\alpha$ -Methylprednisolone Medrol; Medrone; Metastab
METHYFRYLONE	3,3-Diethyl-5-methyl-2,4-dioxopiperidine Noludar
NANDROLONE	17 $\beta$ -Hydroxy $\alpha$ estr-4-en-3-one 17 $\beta$ -Hydroxy-19-norandrost-4-en-3-one Deca-Durabolin is the decanoate; Durabolin is the phenylpropionate
NITROFURANTOIN	1-(5-Nitro-2-furfurylideneamino)hydantoin Furadantin
NORETHANDROLONE	17 $\alpha$ -Ethyl-17 $\beta$ -hydroxy $\alpha$ estr-4-en-3-one 17 $\alpha$ -Ethyl-17 $\beta$ -hydroxy-19-norandrost-4-en-3-one Nilevar
NORETHISTERONE	17 $\alpha$ -Ethynyl-17 $\beta$ -hydroxy $\alpha$ estr-4-en-3-one 17 $\beta$ -Hydroxy-19-norpregn-4-en-20-yn-3-one 17 $\alpha$ -Ethynyl-19-nortestosterone Primolut N; Norlutin-A is the acetate
NOSCAPINE	Narcotine Coscopin; Nicolane
NYSTATIN	An antibiotic produced by <i>Streptomyces noursei</i> Mycostatin
PEMPIDINE	1,2,2,6,6-Pentamethylpiperidine Perolsen and Tenormal are the hydrogen tartrate
PENTAERYTHRITOL TETRANITRATE	2,2-Bishydroxymethylpropane-1,3-diol tetranitrate Pentaerithrityl Tetranitrate Mycardol; Peritrate
PERPHENAZINE	2-Chloro-10-[3-[4-(2-hydroxyethyl)piperazin-1-yl]- propyl]phenothiazine Fentazin; Trilafon
PHANQUONE	4,7-Phenanthroline-5,6-quinone Entobex
PHENELZINE	Phenethylhydrazine Nardil is the hydrogen sulphate
PHENOXYBENZAMINE	2-(N-Benzyl-2-chloroethylamino)-1-phenoxypropane Dibenyline and Dibenzyline are the hydrochloride

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PHENTOLAMINE	2- <i>N</i> -(3-Hydroxyphenyl)- <i>p</i> -toluidinomethyl-2-imidazoline Rogitine is the hydrochloride or the methane-sulphonate
PHENYLBUTAZONE	4- <i>n</i> -Butyl-1,2-diphenylpyrazolidine-3,5-dione Butazolodin
PHOLCODINE	2-Morpholinoethyl ether of morphine 3-(2-Morpholinoethyl)morphine Ethnine
PIPEROCAINE	3-(2-Methylpiperidino)propyl benzoate Metycaïne is the hydrochloride
PROCHLORPERAZINE	2-Chloro-10-[3-(4-methylpiperazin-1-yl)propyl]-phenothiazine Compazine is the dimaleate or the ethanedisulphonate; Stemetil is the dimaleate or the methanesulphonate
PROMAZINE	10-(3-Dimethylaminopropyl)phenothiazine Sparine is the embonate or the hydrochloride
PROMETHAZINE THEOCLATE	Promethazine salt of 8-chlorotheophylline Promethazine chlorotheophyllinate Avomine
SODIUM ACETRIZOATE	Sodium 3-acetamido-2,4,6-tri-iodobenzoate Diaginol
SODIUM ANOXYNAPHTHONATE	Sodium 4'-anilino-8-hydroxy-1,1'-azonaphthalene-3,6,5'-trisulphonate Coomassie Blue
SODIUM CALCIUMEDETATE	Calcium chelate of the disodium salt of ethylenedi-amine- <i>NNN'</i> -tetra-acetic acid Calcium Disodium Versenate
SODIUM DIATRIZOATE	Sodium 3,5-diacetamido-2,4,6-tri-iodobenzoate Hypaque
SULPHAFURAZOLE	5-(4-Aminobenzenesulphonamido)-3,4-dimethylisoxazole Gantrisin
SULPHAMETHIZOLE	2-(4-Aminobenzenesulphonamido)-5-methyl-1,3,4-thiadiazole Urolucosil
SULPHAMETHOXYPYRIDAZINE	3-(4-Aminobenzenesulphonamido)-6-methoxy-pyridazine Kynex; Lederkyn; Midicel
SULPHASOMIDINE	6-(4-Aminobenzenesulphonamido)-2,4-dimethyl-pyrimidine Elkosin
THIAMBUTOSINE	<i>N</i> -(4-Butoxyphenyl)- <i>N'</i> -(4-dimethylaminophenyl)-thiourea Ciba 1906
THIORIDAZINE	10-[2-(1-Methyl-2-piperidyl)ethyl]-2-methyl-thiophenothiazine Melleril is the hydrochloride
TRIFLUOPERAZINE	10-[3-(4-Methylpiperazin-1-yl)propyl]-2-trifluoro-methylphenothiazine Stelazine is the dihydrochloride
TRIMETAPHAN	4,6-Dibenzyl-5-oxo-1-thia-4,6-diazatricyclo-[6,3,0,0 <sup>2,7</sup> ]undecanum Arfonad is the (+)-camphorsulphonate
VANCOMYCIN	An antibiotic produced by <i>Streptomyces orientalis</i> Vancocin is the hydrochloride
VIOMYCIN	An antibiotic produced by certain strains of <i>Streptomyces griseus</i> var. <i>purpureus</i> Viocin is the sulphate; Vionactane is the pantothenate-sulphate
WARFARIN	4-Hydroxy-3-(3-oxo-1-phenylbutyl)coumarin 3-(2-Acetyl-1-phenylethyl)-4-hydroxycoumarin Coumadin; Marevan is the sodium derivative

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PROPRIETARY NAME, ETC.	APPROVED NAME REFERENCE	PROPRIETARY NAME, ETC.	APPROVED NAME REFERENCE
Alflorone	Fludrocortisone	Gantrisin	Sulphafurazole
Ancoian	Meclozine	Grisovin	Griseofulvin
Apresoline	Hydralazine	Hexachlorophene	Hexachlorophane
Aprinox	Bendrofluazide	Hydralazine	Hydralazine
Arfonad	Trimetaphan	Hydrenox	Hydroflumethiazide
Avomine	Promethazine Theoclate	Hydril	Hydrochlorothiazide
Billigrafin	Iodipamide	Hydrodiuril	Hydrochlorothiazide
Bradosol	Domiphen Bromide	Hydrosaluric	Hydrochlorothiazide
Butasolidin	Phenylbutazone	Hydrovit	Hydroxocobalamin
Calcium Disodium Versenate	Sodium Calciumedetate	Hypaque	Sodium Diatrizoate
Ceepryn	Cetylpyridinium Chloride	Ilosone	Erythromycin Estolate
Celberin	Methicillin	Inversine	Mecamylamine
Centyl	Bendrofluazide	Jamelin	Guanethidine
Chlorpropen- pyridamine	Chlorpheniramine	Kynex	Sulphamethoxypyridazine
Chlor-Trimeton	Chlorpheniramine	Lederkyn	Sulphamethoxypyridazine
Ciba 1906	Thiambutosine	Ledermycin	Demethylchlortetracycline
Cogentin	Benztropine	Leukeran	Chlorambucil
Compazine	Prochlorperazine	Levorphan	Levorphanol
Coossasie Blue	Sodium Anoxynaphthionate	Lorfan	Levallorphan
Coscopin	Noscapine	Marevan	Warfarin
Coumadin	Warfarin	Marzine	Cyclizine
Daranide	Dichlorphenamide	Medrol	Methylprednisolone
Decadron	Dexamethasone	Medrone	Methylprednisolone
Deca-Durabolin	Nandrolone	Mel B	Melarsoprol
Declomycin	Demethylchlortetracycline	Melleril	Thioridazine
Dequadin	Dequalinium Chloride	Mepavlon	Meprobamate
Deronil	Dexamethasone	Mephine	Mephentermine
DexaCortiayl	Dexamethasone	Metastab	Methylprednisolone
Dextelan	Dexamethasone	Metycaine	Piperocaine
Diabinese	Chlorpropamide	Mevasine	Mecamylamine
Di-Ademil	Hydroflumethiazide	Midicel	Sulphamethoxypyridazine
Diagninol	Sodium Acetrizoate	Millicorten	Dexamethasone
Dianabol	Methandienone	Miltown	Meprobamate
Dibenzyline	Phenoxybenzamine	Mycardol	Pentaerythritol Tetranitrate
Dibenzyline	Phenoxybenzamine	Mycil	Chlorphenesin
Dichlotride	Hydrochlorothiazide	Mycostatin	Nystatin
Diparcol	Diethazine	Myodil	Iophendylate
Direma	Hydrochlorothiazide	NPH Insulin	Isophane Insulin
Doriden	Glutethimide	Naclex	Hydroflumethiazide
Dramamine	Dimenhydrinate	Narcotine	Noscapine
Dromoran	Levorphanol	Nardil	Phenelzine
Durabolin	Nandrolone	Neo-Cytamen	Hydroxocobalamin
Elkosin	Sulphasomidine	Neo-Naclex	Bendrofluazide
Endografin	Iodipamide	Nicolane	Noscapine
Entamide	Diloxanide	Nilevar	Norethandrolone
Entobex	Phanquone	Noludar	Methypyrone
Equanil	Meprobamate	Norlutin-A	Norethisterone
Eaidrex	Hydrochlorothiazide	Oradexon	Dexamethasone
Ethiodan	Iophendylate	P.R.Q. Antiseptic	Benzalkonium Chloride
Ethnine	Pholcodine	Parpanit	Caramiphen
Etiusl	Ditophal	Pegonone	Ethotoin
Eurax	Crotamiton	Peritrate	Pentaerythritol Tetranitrate
Fentazin	Perphenazine	Perolysen	Pen.pidine
Florinef	Fludrocortisone	Pipadone	Dipipanone
Fludrocortone	Fludrocortisone	Piriton	Chlorpheniramine
Fulcin	Griseofulvin	Primolut N	Norethisterone
Furadantin	Nitrofurantoin	Roccal	Benzalkonium Chloride
Furamide	Diloxanide	Rogitine	Phentolamine
		Romilar	Dextromethorphan
		Rontyl	Hydroflumethiazide



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Secrosteron	Dimethisterone	Tofranil	Imipramine
Seromycin	Cycloserine	Trilafon	Perphenazine
Sparine	Prochlorperazine	Uktandren	Fluoxymesterone
Staphicillin	Methicillin	Urolucosil	Sulphamethizole
Stelazine	Trifluoperazine	Valoid	Cyclizine
Stemetil	Prochlorperazine	Vancocin	Vancomycin
Surfathesin	Cyclopropylmethylamine	Viocin	Viomycin
Taaryl	Caramiphen	Vionactane	Viomycin
Tenormal	Pemipidine	Zephiran	Benzalkonium Chloride
Tensilon	Edrophonium Chloride		

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(2) The General Council may, if they think fit, cause to be published, between any two editions of the British Pharmacopœia, amendments of the current edition.

(3) In connection with the publication of any new edition of the British Pharmacopœia, or of any amendment of the current edition, the General Council shall fix a date as from which the new edition, or the amendment, as the case may be, is to have effect, and shall cause to be inserted in every copy of the new edition, or of the document containing the amendment, as the case may be, a statement of the date so fixed.

(4) The General Council shall have the exclusive right of publishing, printing and selling the British Pharmacopœia and any documents containing amendments thereof, subject however to any determination by the Treasury of the price at which copies are to be sold to the public.

(5) A copy of the British Pharmacopœia, or of any such document as aforesaid, being a copy purporting to be printed by such person as may be named in a notice published in the London, Edinburgh and Belfast Gazettes as authorised by the General Council to print the Pharmacopœia, or that document, as the case may be, shall be received in evidence as being the Pharmacopœia, or that document, as the case may be, and shall be evidence that the date stated therein for the coming into effect thereof is the date fixed in that behalf by the General Council.

(6) References in sections eleven and twelve of the Pharmacy and Medicines Act, 1941, to the edition of the British Pharmacopœia last published before a given date shall be construed as references to the latest edition which has taken effect in accordance with this section before the said date, as affected by any amendments which have so taken effect.

(7) In this section references to amendments of the British Pharmacopœia shall be construed as including references to additions thereto and to deletions therefrom.'

Statutory responsibility for the Pharmacopœia has rested upon the Council since the Medical Act of 1858. The present administrative

arrangements under which it is prepared date from 1928 and are based on recommendations made by a Sub-Committee of the Committee of Civil Research, usually known as the Macmillan Committee. In accordance with these recommendations, the detailed work of preparing new editions of the Pharmacopœia has been entrusted by the Council to a Pharmacopœia Commission. This Commission is appointed by the Council on the recommendations of a Selection Committee, which consists of representatives of the Council, of the Medical Research Council, and of the Pharmaceutical Societies of Great Britain, of Northern Ireland, and of Ireland.

The Commission itself is reconstituted periodically and the term of office of each Commission normally corresponds to the period during which a new edition of the British Pharmacopœia is prepared and published. Since 1948 new editions have been published at intervals of five years—in 1948, 1953, 1958, and 1963. In addition one Addendum has been published halfway between each main edition, the last such Addendum being that of 1960.

The Commission which prepared the Pharmacopœia of 1958 demitted office at the end of August, 1958, and the Commission was then reconstituted with effect from September 1, 1958. The British Pharmacopœia Commission 1958–1963, by whom the British Pharmacopœia 1963 has been prepared, consists of eleven members, whose names are printed on page xv. Eight of these eleven members had served on the previous Commission. Two of them had also served on the Commission of 1948–1953, while Professor Linnell has the distinction of having held office since 1936.

The British Pharmacopœia 1963 is the tenth edition of the British Pharmacopœia. While in general scope it resembles its immediate predecessors, this edition is considerably larger, and contains monographs relating to a greater number of 'medicines, preparations, materials and articles used in the practice of medicine, surgery, or midwifery' than have appeared in any previous edition. A full list of new monographs is given in the Introduction. This also contains a list of those monographs which appeared in the British Pharmacopœia 1958, as amended by the Addendum 1960, but have not been retained in this edition.

The General Medical Council have now caused this new edition to be published and on the advice of the Commission they have also fixed the date from which it is to take effect. The date is stated on the title page and as from that date the British Pharmacopœia 1963 will supersede all previous editions.

The increased size of this edition is one factor, though not the only one, which has rendered the task of the Commission, and of the Committees by whom the Commission has been assisted, more laborious and exacting than the burden which rested upon their

predecessors. The Council, and more particularly their Pharmacopœia Committee, are deeply sensible of the debt which they, and indeed all those who have occasion to consult the Pharmacopœia, owe to the members of the Commission and of its Committees for the manner in which the task has been discharged. The high prestige in which the British Pharmacopœia is held in many countries of the world is an eloquent testimony to the standard of their work. The Council accordingly desire once again to record their warmest appreciation of the services which have been rendered by the members and staff of the Commission, by the members of its numerous Committees, and by all the other persons who have assisted in the preparation of this volume.

The detailed work involved in the preparation of this book does not however reflect the full extent of the work of the Commission which took office in 1958. During the following years it has become increasingly necessary for both the Commission and the Council to give careful thought to the future of the British Pharmacopœia in the changing conditions of modern medical and pharmaceutical practice. In particular, the Commission and the Council have considered whether it would be desirable or practicable to provide standards for drugs newly introduced into medical practice on a wider scale or at an earlier date than has been possible under existing procedures. Evidence in regard to these and other questions related to the British Pharmacopœia was given in 1960 by the Commission and by the Council to an Interdepartmental Working Party on Legislation concerning Medicines. Since that time the question of the future development of the work of the British Pharmacopœia in relation to such matters has continued to receive active consideration, and it is intended in future to add monographs to the British Pharmacopœia by the publication of Addenda to the main edition at more frequent intervals than previously. In addition, the Council and the Commission will continue to consider what other steps may be necessary or desirable in present circumstances to secure that the duties which have been entrusted to the Council by Parliament in the Medical Act may best be discharged in the public interest.

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# INTRODUCTION

The British Pharmacopœia, in accordance with the decision of the General Medical Council, is published at intervals of five years. The work of preparing new editions under the general direction of the Council is entrusted to the British Pharmacopœia Commission, whose members are appointed for a similar term of office. On September 1, 1958, a new Commission assumed office with the responsibility of preparing an Addendum to the British Pharmacopœia 1958 and a complete new edition of the Pharmacopœia for publication in 1963. The Addendum was published on October 3, 1960 and had effect from March 1, 1961. It served to bring the Pharmacopœia more fully up to date by providing forty-nine monographs on drugs and preparations not described in the existing volume and by a number of important amendments to the monographs and appendices.

The Commission appointed the following Committees to assist in the preparation of the Addendum 1960 and the British Pharmacopœia 1963. Grateful acknowledgement is made of the arduous work of the members, including the Canadian corresponding members, in the revision of monographs retained from the previous edition and in the preparation of new monographs:

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