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**VETERINARY MUTUAL RECOGNITION
FACILITATION GROUP (VMRF)**

**QUESTIONS FROM INDUSTRY
CHANGE OF NAME DURING PROCEDURE**

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Questions:

- Is it possible to change a name during the Veterinary Mutual Recognition Procedure?
- Is it possible to prepare the dossier with a name and replace it before submission with another name by adding a note to each volume?

Answers:

- It is recommended to companies to have final names before the start of the Mutual recognition procedure (MRP), when possible.
- In the CMS, it is possible to change the name of the product during the MRP; however, it is recommended that the last opportunity to change the brand name, when at the initiative of the applicant, would be in the applicant's response to questions raised during the MRP. Any changes in the name after the MR procedure, even in only one country, should be done by means of a MR variation.
The replacement of the name in the dossier by adding a note to each volume with the new proposed name in the CMS is acceptable, but is not encouraged.