The new and improved WHODrug formats are finally here!

Along with the March 2017 release of WHODrug, we are very excited to provide all WHODrug users with access to the B3 and C3 formats for the very first time. These improved formats provide a harmonised WHODrug structure and greatly facilitate CDISC SDTM submissions. To read more about the B3 and C3 formats, please log in to the WHODrug User Area via our website.

Now introducing: WHODrug Global

We are delighted to announce the launch of WHODrug Global, released from March 1 2017. WHODrug Global is the new introductory level package that will standardise the WHODrug family of products and meet our users' needs even more precisely.

The WHODrug Global package includes our most extensive drug dictionary with information about conventional, herbal and Chinese medicines (Latin characters) as well as access to our appreciated tools – the Change Analysis Tool (CAT) and WHODrug Insight. The dictionary included with WHODrug Global is distributed in all WHODrug formats (B2/C/B3/C3) and is released twice a year (March and September).

All current WHODrug users will transition to WHODrug Global during the course of one year, at the time of license renewal. Current subscribers do not have to take any action and will be contacted by the WHODrug team when licenses are due. For more information about WHODrug Global, please visit www.who-umc.org or contact the support team at who-umc.org. Our sincere thanks to all users for your continuous support and contribution!

WHODrug Insight

WHODrug Insight was launched in 2016 and is being continuously updated with new functionalities. The latest improvements are listed below:

 With the launch of the new formats, it is now possible to view WHODrug data in WHODrug Insight in both the B2 and B3 formats, to facilitate searches and upversioning.

- The WHODrug Cross Reference Tool (CRT) Japan is now available in WHODrug Insight for all WHODrug CRT users. Its functionalities include the ability to search for drugs in Japanese.
- The Customised Drug Grouping (CDG) functionality has been improved, with the choice of creating CDGs based on a complete search result or Preferred Names only.

WHODrug CAT

WHODrug Change Analysis Tool (CAT) users can now run a full WHODrug change analysis between any selected B2 and B3 format version of WHODrug. The resulting Drug Codes changes can also be exported into a txt file.

Alternatively, CAT also offers the possibility to upload data from a synonym list or study data and view the full B2 or B3 format change analysis. It is now also possible to upversion SDGs to the WHODrug B3 format by using CAT.

What's New in WHODrug

For a detailed description of the most important WHODrug news since last March, please log in to the WHODrug User Area and download the 2017 edition of the What's New document from the Library section. This document covers topics such as the new SDGs, the revised vaccine structure and the yearly ATC revision.

Sunset of the old DD Browser

With the introduction of WHODrug Global, WHODrug Insight will be made available to all WHODrug users. It is therefore time to close the old DD Browser. The current functionality, including the display of B2/C format data will be maintained until mid-2018 when the DD Browser will be closed. The new B3 and C3 formats will not be implemented in the DD Browser but can of course be viewed in WHODrug Insight.

Easy access to your WHODrug tools and information

Welcome to browse our new <u>UMC website</u>, where you can find information about the WHODrug portfolio and accompanying services (as well as all other aspects of the UMC's work). To access your WHODrug tools, the download area, training and support information, please log in to our new User Area. You can log in using the same user name and password as for WHODrug Insight, WHODrug CAT and the WHODrug download area. For any questions, or to request a personal account to be set up, please contact WHODrug@who-umc.org.

Register today for the 2017 WHODrug User Group Meetings

Take a moment to register for the 2017 WHODrug User Group Meetings. Highlights include updates from UMC, interactive coding exercises and engaging panel discussions. Attending WHODrug User Group Meetings is free of charge if you are working for an organisation with a valid WHODrug licence. To register, please log in to the WHODrug User Area. The number of places is limited and available on a first-come, first-served basis.

- March 27, 2017: Glasgow, Scotland (held in conjunction with the DIA Europe (March 29-31) and MedDRA meeting (March 28)
- June 23, 2017: Chicago, IL, USA (held in conjunction with the U.S. DIA (June 18-22) and MedDRA meeting (June 22)
- September, 2017: Industry WHODrug User Group Meeting in USA (more information TBA)
- November/December, 2017: Tokyo, Japan (more information TBA)

Tune in to the 2017 WHODrug webinars

Our webinars covering various WHODrug related topics will continue on a monthly basis in 2017. Please register via the invitation emails or via the WHODrug User Area. In case you were not able to attend a webinar, recorded sessions are made available on the User Area.

Did you know?

The new download area gives a better overview of your latest dictionary release(s) as well as any additional requested file(s). To access the download area, log in to the User Area at www.who-umc.org.

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