

WHODrug Global Chinese

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We have some exciting news!

As a result of China becoming a member of ICH in 2017, the focus on drug regulatory capabilities has increased, emphasizing standardization within Chinese pharma and CRO industry. Naturally, the need to handle standardized drug data in the Chinese language is growing and UMC is therefore now introducing **WHODrug Global Chinese**. As the Chinese version of WHODrug Global, UMC believes WHODrug Global Chinese will greatly facilitate the handling of drug information in Chinese.

What is WHODrug Global Chinese?

WHODrug Global Chinese enables drug coding in Chinese, for efficient and standardised handling of drug data as well as its submission, without the need for manual and time-consuming translations to the English language. The output data from WHODrug Global Chinese can be directly submitted to Chinese authorities. The use of WHODrug Global Chinese enables automated and instant translations back and forth between English and Chinese drug information, allowing simplified data submissions to authorities both within and outside China.

WHODrug Global Chinese includes information on drugs approved in China in addition to all drug information already available in WHODrug Global. Moreover, WHODrug Global Chinese also features all ATC texts of the ATC hierarchy in Chinese. WHODrug Global Chinese will be continuously updated with new information in Chinese.

Evaluation version soon available

UMC is proud to announce that WHODrug Global Chinese will be introduced for your evaluation on June 1, followed by its first release on September 1, 2019. WHODrug Global Chinese is included in the WHODrug Global subscription and will be delivered as a separate but complete dictionary file package, adopting the very same file structure WHODrug Global has today. There will also be an option to implement additional functionality for seamless translation between English and Chinese. With this arrangement, we hope to facilitate a straight forward implementation of WHODrug Global Chinese in your coding application.

To assist the preparation for implementing WHODrug Global Chinese, UMC provides an evaluation version with a detailed implementation guide, user guide and sample files. The evaluation version will be available upon request from June 1, 2019. Please contact subscription@who-umc.org for access.

Please note that the launch of WHODrug Global Chinese will not result in any changes to WHODrug Global at this time - it will continue to provide drug information in Latin characters.

Let us tell you more

WHODrug Global Chinese will be one of the main topics for the forthcoming WHODrug User Group Meeting in Beijing, May 16 (currently fully-booked). See the agenda for the meeting [here](#). We are also planning additional trainings dedicated to WHODrug Global and the introduction of WHODrug Global Chinese in China during the fall, please look out for more information coming shortly.

In addition, please sign up for a **webinar** on WHODrug Global Chinese scheduled for June 11. Please register below!

9 AM CEST*

*India: 12:30 PM IST
China: 3 PM CST
Japan: 4 PM JST

[Register here](#)

5 PM CEST **

**U.S. East coast: 11 AM EDT
U.S. Mid West: 10 AM CDT
U.S. West coast: 8 AM PDT

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Questions?

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