## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MALAYSIAN ADVERSE DRUG REACTIONS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (MADRAC) 2010

### 1. i) Membership of MADRAC for the year 2010

MADRAC Members/(Alternate members)	
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Pn. Zawiyah Mat Johor / (Pn. Rosminah Mohd. Din) Deputy Director, Pharmaceutical Services Division, Ministry of Health.	Committee Member

#### 2. MEETINGS

The committee met six times over the year and a total of 5615 adverse drug reactions reports were reviewed.

#### 3. ANALYSIS OF ADVERSE DRUG REACTIONS REPORTS

A detailed review and analysis of the adverse drug reactions (ADR) reports received during the year 2010 was conducted (Appendix 1).

#### 4. DCA REGULATORY ACTION

These are the major directive action directed by the DCA on certain pharmaceutical products following the alerts received from other international regulatory agencies as well as from local institutions.

NO.	DCA MEETING	PRODUCTS INVOLVED	DESCRIPTION
1	224 (28/1/2010)	All products containing sibutramine	-To include SCOUT (Sibutramine Cardiovascular Outcome Trial) study summary description into package insertsResult of the SCOUT study suggested that sibutramine is associated with increased cardiovascular risk.
2	227 (29/4/10)	All products containing red yeast rice (monascuspurpureus)	-To limit the dose of traditional medicines containing red yeast rice to ensure content of lovastatin consumed is less than 10mg/dayTo add a warning statement regarding concurrent use of statins or fibrates to the product labelsConcurrent use of fibrates may cause severe myositis and myoglubinuria.
3	228 (27/5/2010)	All products containing propylthiouracil	-To add a box warning regarding the incidence of "severe liver injury and acute liver failure" into package inserts.
4	228 (27/5/2010)	All products containing carbocysteine, acetylcysteine and methylcarbocysteine (Mecysteine)	-To add in the statement "contraindicated in children below 2 years of age" in the package insertsThis is due to the findings of Afssaps (French Health Agency) showing there is risk of aggravation of respiratory symptoms following the consumption of the mentioned products.
5	234 (22/11/2010)	All products containing rosiglitazone	-To revise the indication, contraindication and warning and precaution parts of package insertRosiglitazone is contraindicated in patients with NYHA Class I to IV heart failure or history of cardiac failure, ischaemic heart disease, and Acute Coronary Syndrome (unstable angina, non-ST segment elevation myocardial infarction (NSTEMI) and ST segment elevation myocardial infarction (STEMI))Rosiglitazone is to be prescribed to new patients only if they are unable to achieve adequate blood glucose control with all other oral antidiabetic medications.
6	235 (23/12/2010)	All products containing sibutramine	-To cancel the registration of all sibutramine products and not to register any new products containing sibutramine in Malaysia.

MADRAC had also proposed to add a boxed warning to the package inserts of all promethazine hydrochloride injection products. It is regarding the warning of the possibility of causing fatal respiratory depression in paediatrics patients less than 2 years of age and also severe tissue injury. On the 228<sup>th</sup> DCA meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> May 2010, decision had been made that all of the hospitals shall be informed of this adverse drug reactionso to increase the monitoring and the ADR reporting of this drug. The proposition regarding the addition of a boxed warning is then postponed.

#### PROMOTING ADR REPORTING

Talks were conducted following invitations by some institutions and universities, as listed below. These workshops and talks were aimed at increasing awareness of the importance of reporting adverse events of drugs and vaccines, as well as improving the quality of ADR reports submitted.

PRESENTATION TOPIC	NUMBER OF TALKS GIVEN THROUGHOUT 2010
Pharmacovigilance	3
Adverse Drug Reaction Reporting and Monitoring	8
Adverse Drug Reaction Reporting and Vaccine	2
Risk Management and Risk Assessment Plan	1
Adverse Drug Reaction Related To Skin Therapy	1
Adverse Drug Reactions And Medication Errors Associated With Cytotoxic Drugs	1
Adverse Event Following Immunisation (AEFI)	4

# **APPENDIX 1**



















