

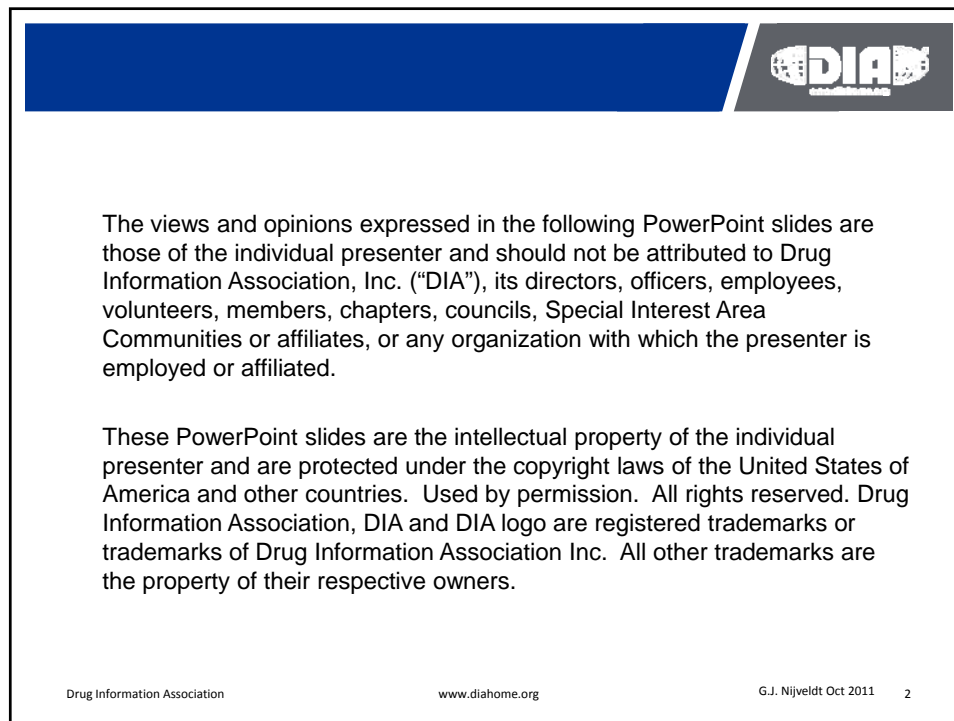


# Introduction to Core Labeling

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## Introduction to Core Labeling




What will be (briefly) discussed in this introduction:

- Reason to have core labeling
- What is core labeling?
- What is needed in a company (basics)
- Who is involved in the process?
- When to start?
- What do you need?
- Why do you need it?

*This part will only be the introduction, further details will be discussed during the remainder of this conference.*

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## Labeling around the world – what are we dealing with?



**Health Canada**  
www.hc-sc.gc.ca

- Package Insert (PI)
- Product Circular
- Physician Labeling
- Prescribing Information
- Product Labeling
- Package Labeling – labels and cartons
- Rx Drug Labeling
- Product Monograph

**EUROPEAN MEDICINES AGENCY**  
www.ema.europa.eu

- Summary of Product Characteristics - SmPC
- PPI
- Patient Leaflet
- Medication Guide
- Device Manual
- User Manual
- Drugs Facts (OTC)

**FDA**  
U.S. Food & Drug Administration

**SAVD**  
SECRETARIA DE SALUD

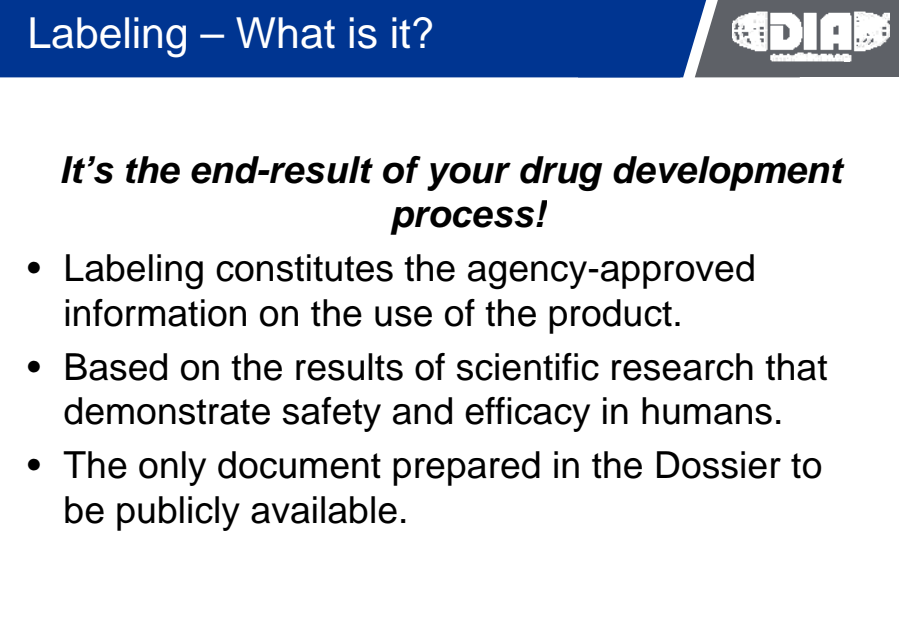
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National Health Surveillance Agency

**mda**  
Ministry of Health

**MA**  
Ministry of Health

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## Labeling – What is it?



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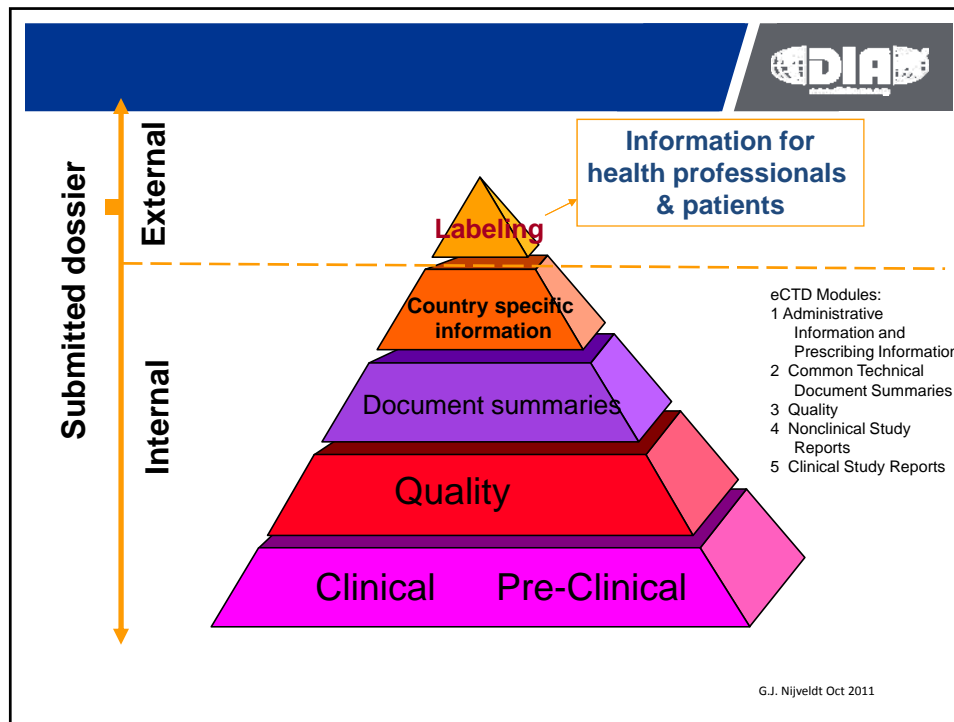
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Ministry of Health

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**It's the end-result of your drug development process!**

- Labeling constitutes the agency-approved information on the use of the product.
- Based on the results of scientific research that demonstrate safety and efficacy in humans.
- The only document prepared in the Dossier to be publicly available.

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And...

- Serves as the basis for prescribing of the medication but also advertising and promotional activities (*globally*).
  - For some countries, e.g. US, any promotional claims that do not conform to approved labeling can render the product *misbranded*.

*It is important for the physician and patients but also the company, so how to control the content on a global basis.*

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National Aeronautics and Space Administration  
Lewis Research Center

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## Core Labeling – what should it be



- Represents company position based on the data and developed for the marketing authorizations worldwide
- Should not be a regulatory agency position
- Serves as the basis for worldwide labeling
- Updated as data become available

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## Core Labeling - basis





Sometimes seen as the starting point for the core labeling principle.

CIOMS III – 1995


Superseded by

CIOMS V - 1999


(CIOMS states that the CCDS that companies already have could be used as global reference doc. At that time, all companies represented in CIOMS already had something like CCDS.)

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## Core Labeling – Why?




Why not use a local data sheet as reference document?




Submitted by  
Pharmaceutical  
Company






Review by  
Regulatory  
Agencies

Negotiations






Final  
Outcome  
Approved




**Result: A Local label does not fully represent the company position, therefore not the best solution as an internal regulatory tool although there might be some reasons to do so.**

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## Core Labeling – Why? (2)



**Real Example:**

<p>Pregnancy: Contraindicated</p>				<p>Pregnancy: Category C Use when benefit outweighs the risk</p>
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What is the company opinion?

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## Corporate Labeling



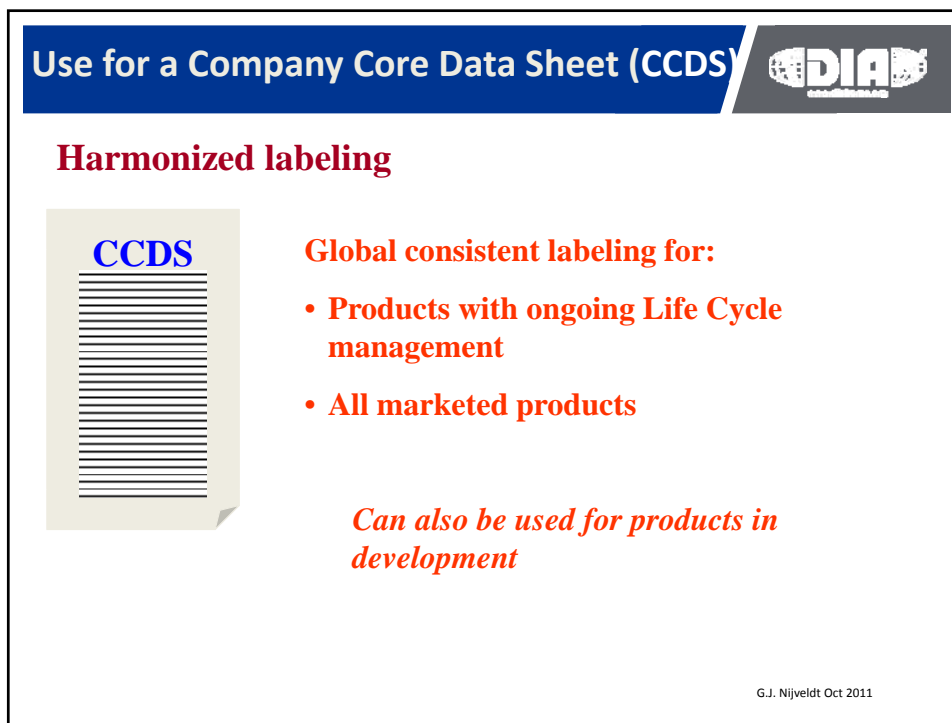
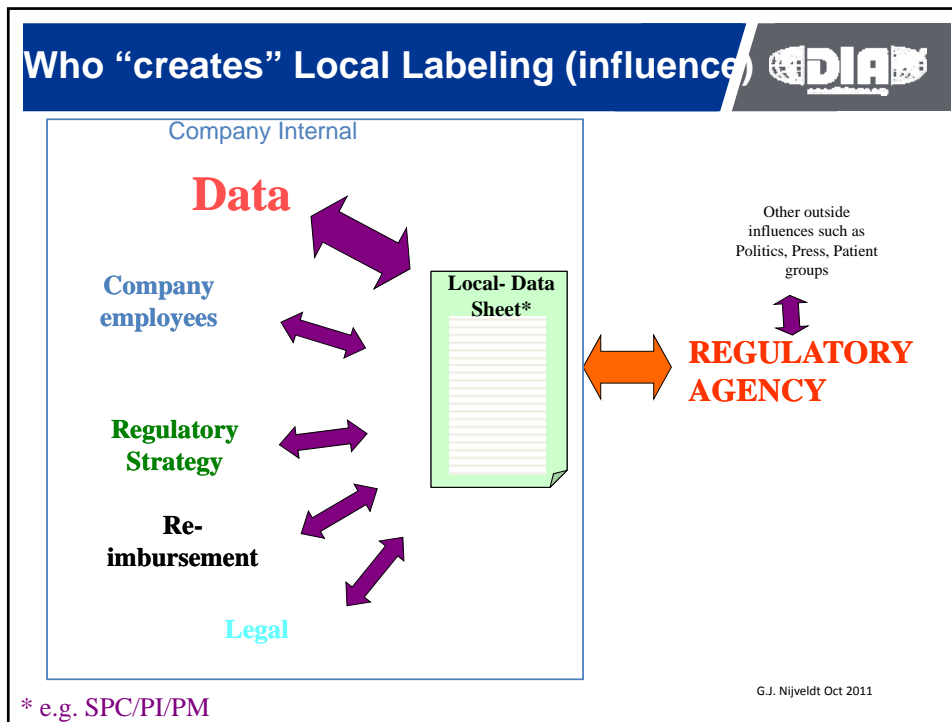
**What are we talking about ...**

Companies may have a variety of names for Corporate labeling documents, such as:

- Core Safety Information
- Core Data Sheet
- Worldwide Physician Circular
- Company Core Data Sheet
- Core Label
- Etc.


From now on we will use the term **Company Core Data Sheet (CCDS)** or core labeling in this conference

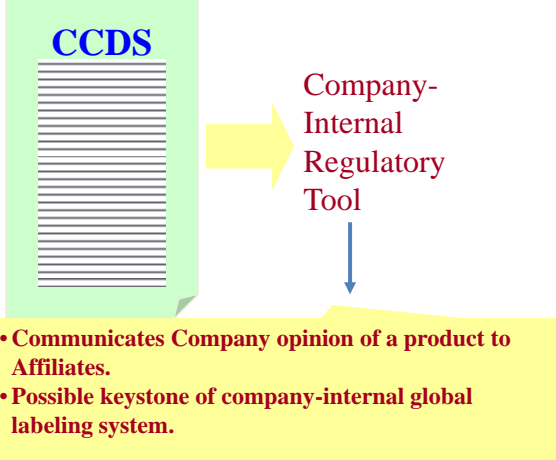
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## Uses of a CCDS (1)




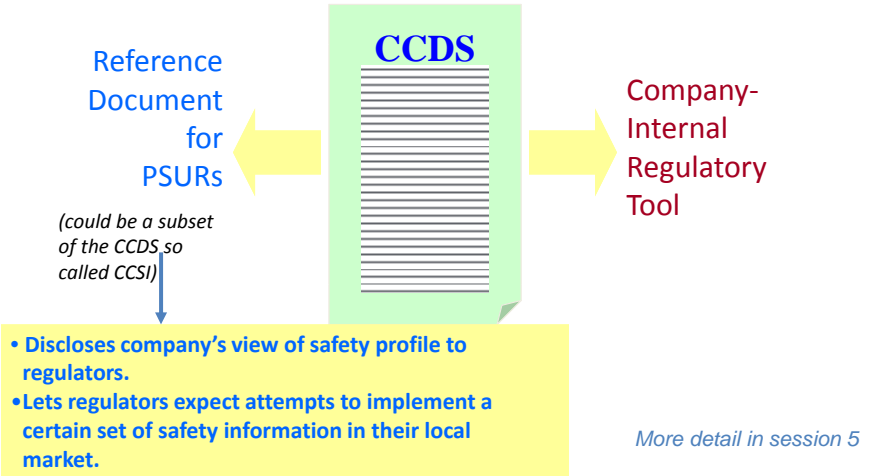


- Communicates Company opinion of a product to Affiliates.
- Possible keystone of company-internal global labeling system.

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## Uses of a CCDS (2)






- Discloses company's view of safety profile to regulators.
- Lets regulators expect attempts to implement a certain set of safety information in their local market.

*More detail in session 5*

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## Uses of a CCDS (5)



Reference Document for PSURs

CCDS


Company-Internal Regulatory Tool

If regulatory authorities disagree with statements in the CCDS (i.e. do not approve them for local labeling), a company can reconsider, disregard or adopt their position for the CDS. This is also the case with addition into local labeling that are not in the CCDS

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## Core Labeling

- What is included?



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## Content of CCDS – Structure



**This is an internal company decision, but can be based on a local format e.g.,:**

- **SPC format**
- **“Old” US-PI format**
- **“New” US-PI format (PLR)**

**Or use a region Neutral structure that combines different structures**

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## Content of CCDS – Structure



### •What to include?

- |                             |                                  |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|
| – Therapeutic class         | – Drug Interactions              |
| – Indications               | – Pregnancy/Nursing              |
| – Dosage and Administration | – Special Populations            |
| – Contraindications         | – Adverse Reactions/Side Effects |
| – Warnings/Precautions      | – Overdosage                     |

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## Content of CCDS – Structure

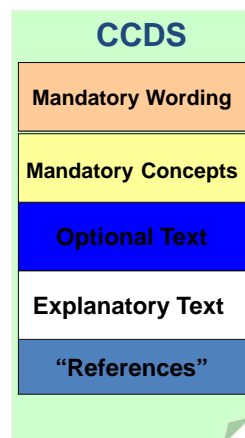
- “Optional” sections
  - Chemistry
  - Mechanism of Action
  - Clinical Pharmacology
  - Clinical Studies
  - Animal Toxicity

*Detailed content discussed in session 2 and 3*

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## Core Labeling – content (1)

**The CCDS can contain the following texts pieces or concepts. The meaning of this will support implementation**



*More detail at the end of this session*

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## Core Labeling – Implementation



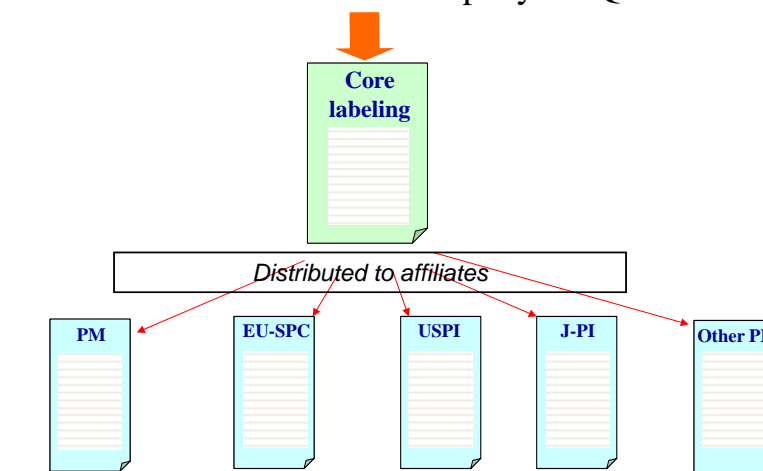
Ways of communicating labeling within the company

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## Core Labeling – Implementation




Pharmaceutical Company - HQ



Option: Local Labeling written by HQ or local affiliate

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## Core Labeling – Implementation

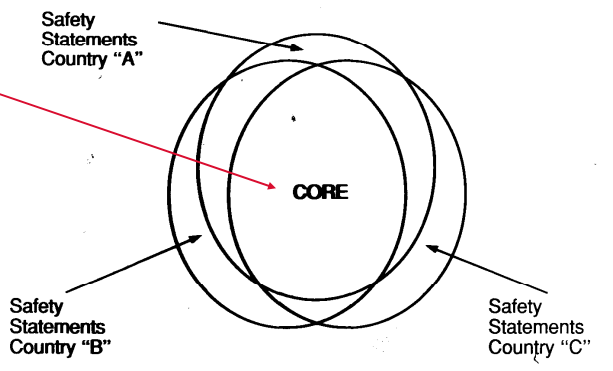


Mandatory CCDS is **actively defined by Company Headquarters.**

“Headquarters” may decide to omit some local items from CCDS.

Local labeling that is missing some CCSI items needs to be updated (at least: try)

**COMPANY CORE SAFETY INFORMATION**




from CIOMS III/V report

This could be used as a start for a CDS for “old” product

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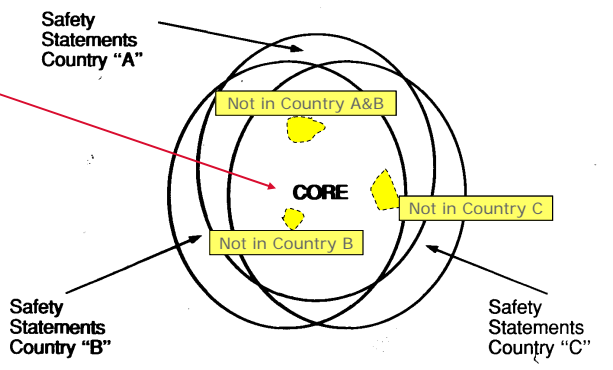


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Companies are not always successful in updating local safety content.

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## Core Labeling



- Where (and when) do you start?




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## When do you start?



- When a new chemical entity is determined to be a candidate for use in man.
- Limited pre-clinical data available
  - Chemistry
  - Pharmacology
  - Toxicology
- Before clinical trials begin or early on in development, created to enhance the development process

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## Use of Core Labeling during Development

*Or how core labeling can impact drug  
development, and how drug development can  
impact core labeling*

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## Development Labeling

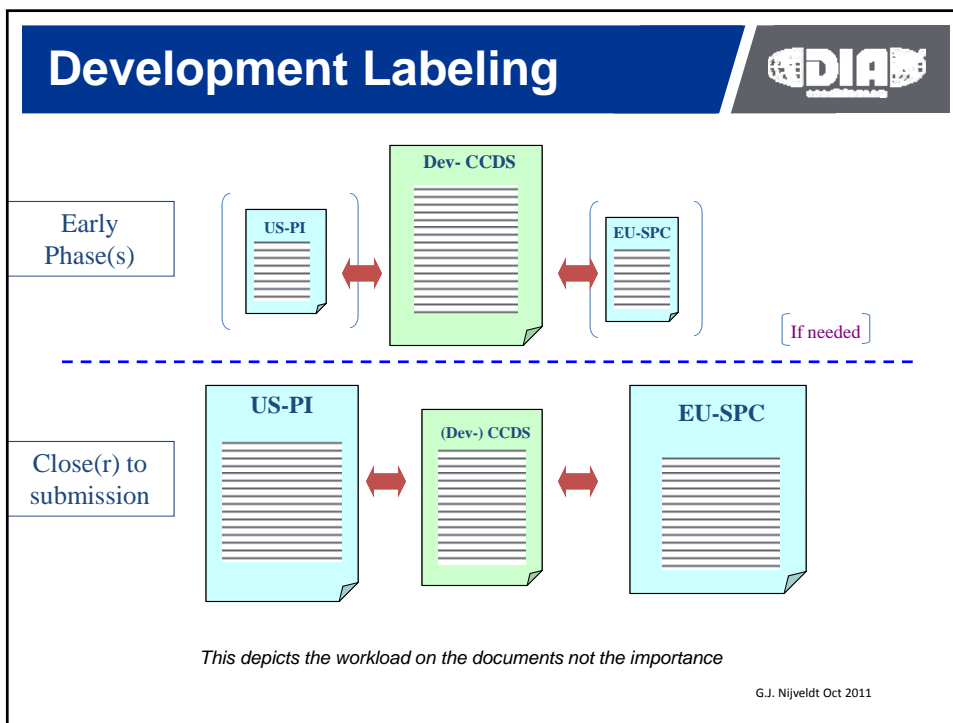
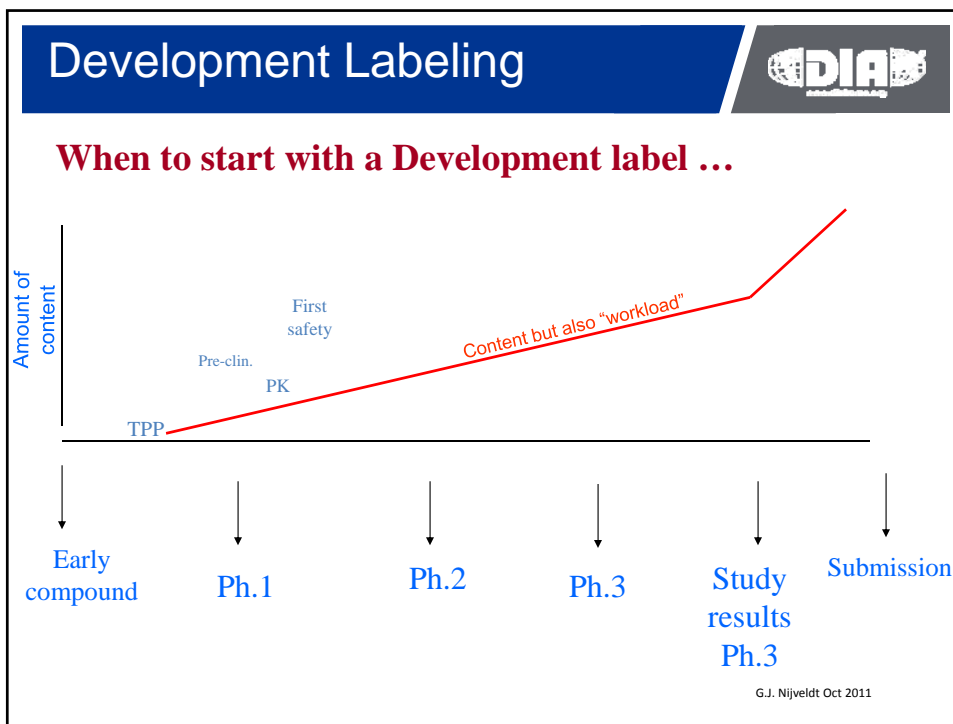
### **During drug development ...**

**Companies may have a variety of labeling-related tools (no standard terminology).**

- **Target product profile**
- **IB**
- **Development core safety information**
- **Detailed target labeling**
- **Evolving CCDS**
- **Evolving national submission labeling**

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## Development Labeling



### When to put in place the CCDS ...

There are different scenarios for this (*random order*):

1. After first approval (labeling content has been put to the test)
2. After first submission (it is the company opinion)
3. Before submission at time of final internal approval (same time as some local data sheets are approved)
4. When a “Corporate” PSUR is in place
  
5. Start with Development CCDS during very early phase.

*In case of 2, 3, 4 and 5 an update to the CCDS might be needed after first approval(s).*

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## Core Labeling – How to support

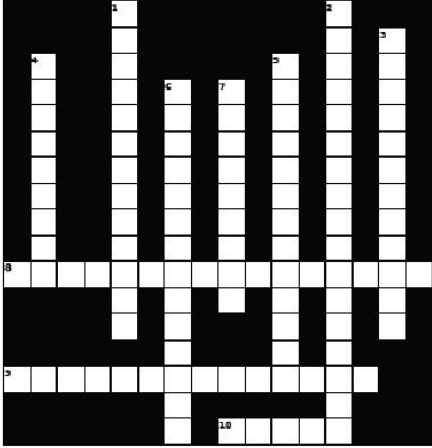


Business Rules to get it right!

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The Core Labeling crossroad

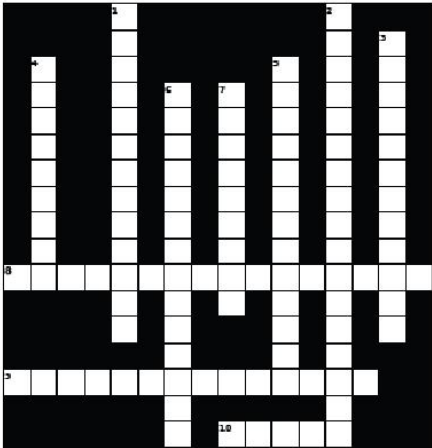




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The Core Labeling crossroad





**Across**

8 labeling is done with a defined concept set down by authorities and/or companies put action into effect

9 put action into effect

10 believing is good checking is better

**Down**

1 without this nothing works in a company

2 help from upper echelons

3 main building within company

4 country with a company

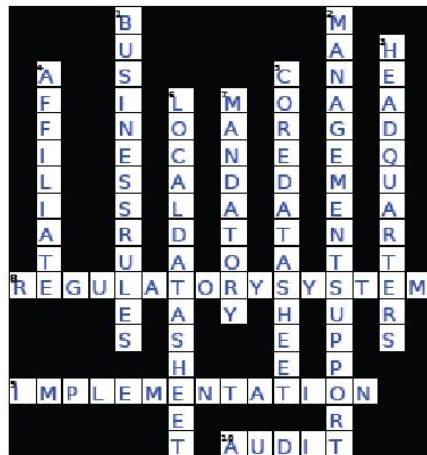
5 company labeling document

6 labeling document in country

7 something you must do!

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## The Core Labeling solution



Now when you see  
this the crossword  
puzzle is easy

**But all the “words”  
need to be in place  
for this to work**

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## “Business Rules”



Typically, pharmaceutical companies define an extensive set of business rules that address common questions and provide guidance. Many of these rules are in the form of SOPs and more detailed work instructions

Simplified the Business rules need to address:

1. Structure
2. Content/Terminology
3. What is mandatory to implement
4. What is the desired level of similarity between CCDS and local labeling
5. When do affiliates need to obtain HQ approval before acting locally

*More Details in this session and session 5*

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## Conclusion

**The Company Core Data Sheet (CCDS):**

- company-internal regulatory tool
- Regulatory/Pharmacovigilance tool, for the use in PSUR
- used to achieve global company consistency in labeling
- Requires a set of business rules (ideally)
- Benefits the drug development process when used early in development

**How and where to start?**

- New products
- Business rules

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## Conclusion (2)



### Pros

- Global consistent labeling
- Company document for Pharmacovigilance
- Company opinion looking at the data not influenced
- Difficult to use a local label as company document

### Cons

- Health Authorities input  $\Rightarrow$  challenge to keep harmonized labeling
- Agencies communicate with and look to each other
- Extra document to create

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*Don't forget answers might come later during the two days*

*Enjoy the conference!*

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