

# ICH M7 EWG Sub-Group Work Plan

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**Last Face-to-Face Meeting:** Not Applicable

### 1. Key milestones

#### 1.a. Current status of key milestones

Past completion date	Milestone
Jun. 2024	Concept Paper Outline of “3 June 2024”
Jun. 2024	New Topic endorsed by the Assembly on 4 June 2024

#### 1.b. Key Deliverables

Approval Date	Deliverable
<b>Jun. 2024</b>	<u>Stage 1 (2 years or less to reach Steps 1 and 2)</u> Principles for the design and use of in vitro assays (e.g., Ames test) to differentiate mutagenic and non-mutagenic nitrosamines Principles for defining AIs based on Structure Activity Relationships (SAR) (e.g., considering knowledge of structural features of the nitrosamine molecule) Application of less than lifetime (LTL) adjustments to AIs based on exposure, provided that sufficient scientific data is available.
<b>Jun. 2024</b>	<u>Stage 2 (initiate when data and literature available)</u> Principles for the design and use of in vivo mutation studies as follow-up studies to in vitro studies and/or in derivation of AIs Framework for deriving AIs based on read across methods
<b>Jun. 2024</b>	<u>Subsequent to Stage 2</u> A harmonised set of AIs for nitrosamines will be developed by the sub-group following the M7 maintenance process.
<b>Jun. 2024</b>	Development of training materials and examples to address relevant quality principles such as the application of M7 to nitrosamines risk assessment and control, particularly the finished dosage form.
<b>Sep. 2024</b>	Mutual Understanding Presentation Series (Oct -Dec 2024)

### 1.c. Future anticipated key milestones

Expected future completion date	Milestone
<b>Mar. 2025</b>	<i>Final concept paper</i>
<b>Mar. 2026</b>	<i>Stage 1 Topics Step 1 –Sign off by topic leaders</i>
<b>Mar. 2027</b>	<i>Stage 2 Topics Step 1 – Sign off by topic leaders</i>
<b>Apr. 2027</b>	<i>Stage 1 &amp; 2 Topics Step 2a/b – Endorsement</i>
<b>May. 2027</b>	<i>Step 3 Draft addendum (Stage 1 and 2 topics) released for comment – allow 6 months (end November 2027)</i>
<b>Apr. 2028</b>	<i>Step 3 Discussion of regional consultation comments and editing of draft addendum (Stage 1 and 2 topics)</i>
<b>Apr. 2028</b>	<i>Finalization of Step 3 experts draft addendum and Sign off (ICH Reg Members)</i>
<b>May. 2028</b>	<i>Step 4 – Adoption by ICH Assembly</i>
	<i>Nitrosamine Monograph drafting to start subsequent to Addendum reaching Step 4</i>

### 2. Timeline for specific tasks

Beginning date	End date	Task / Activity	Details
<b>Oct. 2024</b>	<i>Dec. 2024</i>	<i>Mutual Understanding Presentation Series</i>	<i>Through videoconferences (every other week) EWG will participate in a series of presentations to assure common understanding of most recent science related to nitrosamines.</i>
<b>Jan. 2025</b>	<i>Mar. 2025</i>	<i>Develop/finalize concept paper</i>	<i>EWG will meet 2X/month to develop and finalize the concept paper</i>
<b>Mar. 2025</b>	<i>May. 2025</i>	<i>Begin to develop text and build consensus on draft addendum sections</i>	<i>Based on Final Concept Paper (to be developed by end March)</i>