NIOSH List of Antineoplastic and Other Hazardous Drugs in Healthcare Settings 2012: Proposed Additions and Deletions to the NIOSH Hazardous Drug List-Charge to Reviewers

The NIOSH Hazardous Drug Committee has reviewed all new FDA drug approvals and new drug warnings for the period of June 2007 through December 2009. The NIOSH Committee reviewed 48 new drug approvals and 115 drugs with new warnings. Forty-five drugs were identified as potentially meeting the NIOSH definition of a hazardous drug. Of these 45 drugs, seven drugs had manufacturer's safe handling guidance in the drug package insert. Therefore, 38 drugs were identified for stakeholder review to determine if these drugs meet the definition of hazardous drug. NIOSH recommends that 24 drugs, in addition to the seven with manufactures' warnings, meet the definition of hazardous have special handling requirements.

The NIOSH definition of hazardous drug can be found in the 2004 NIOSH Alert Preventing Occupational Exposure to Antineoplastic and Other Hazardous Drugs in Health Care Settings in Appendix A. The link to the Alert is http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/docs/2004-165/

We are requesting that, as members of the expert panel, you review the list of drugs that NIOSH identified be added to the 2012 Update of the NIOSH List of Antineoplastic and Other Hazardous Drugs. Please provide your evaluations and comments on the provided spreadsheet.

You can find Package Inserts and FDA approval information, including reviews for individual drugs at http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/scripts/cder/drugsatfda/

As part of the 2012 Update, we are also asking that you re-evaluate 3 interferons and 1 monoclonal antibody that are on the current list. NIOSH is also proposing to remove 2 radiopharmaceutical drugs since their handling is already regulated by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission and 9 drugs that are no longer available in the United States.

NIOSH will review all comments from the expert panel and post a list of proposed additions and deletions to the Federal Register for public comment. After the public comment period, NIOSH will make decisions about updating the list of hazardous drugs taking into account all peer, stakeholder, and public comments.

NIOSH has reviewed all comments from the peer reviewers and stakeholders. Reviewers were not asked to provide a consensus opinion and NIOSH made the final determination regarding additions and deletions to the 2010 Hazardous Drug List. The recommendations of the peer reviewers and stakeholders are summarized below.

	Pro	posed Additions	
Recommendations			
Established Name	Peer Reviewer	Stakeholder	NIOSH
acitretin	Hazardous-4/4 based on	Hazardous-6/6 based on	NIOSH proposes to include on 2012
	teratogenicity	teratogenicity	updated list based on teratogenicity data
ambrisentan	Hazardous-4/4 based on	Hazardous-5/6 based on	NIOSH proposes to include on 2012
	adverse reproductive	adverse reproductive effects	updated list based on adverse
	effects		reproductive effects
amiodarone HCl	Does not meet the criteria	Does not meet the criteria	NIOSH will not include on 2012 updated
	of a hazardous drug-3/4	of a hazardous drug-4/6	list because it does not meet the criteria of
			a hazardous drug
artemether/lumefantrine	Does not meet the criteria	Does not meet the criteria	NIOSH will not include on 2012 updated
	of a hazardous drug-3/4	of a hazardous drug-4/6	list because it does not meet the criteria of
			a hazardous drug
atorvastatin	Hazardous-2/4 based on	Does not meet the criteria	NIOSH will not include on 2012 updated
	adverse reproductive	of a hazardous drug-4/6	list because it does not meet the criteria of
	effects		a hazardous drug
bendamustine HCl	N/A ¹	N/A	NIOSH proposes to include on 2012
			updated list based on manufacturer's
			recommendations for safe handling
bevacizumab	Hazardous-3/4 based on	Does not meet the criteria	NIOSH will not include on 2012 updated
	adverse effect on fertility	of a hazardous drug -5/6	list because it does not meet the criteria of
	and teratogenicity		a hazardous drug
cabergoline	Hazardous-3/4 based on	Hazardous-5/6 based on	NIOSH proposes to include on 2012
	adverse reproductive and	adverse reproductive and	updated list based on adverse
	fertility effects at low dose	fertility effects at low dose	reproductive and fertility effects at low
	and carcinogenicity	and carcinogenicity	dose and carcinogenicity
canakinumab	Does not meet the criteria	Does not meet the criteria	NIOSH will not include on 2012 updated
	of a hazardous drug-4/4	of a hazardous drug -5/6	list because it does not meet the criteria of
			a hazardous drug
carbamazepine	Hazardous-3/4 based on	Hazardous-3/6 based on	NIOSH proposes to include on 2012
	teratogenicity, adverse	teratogenicity, adverse	updated list based on teratogenicity,
	reproductive effects and	reproductive effects and	adverse reproductive effects and
	carcinogenicity	carcinogenicity	carcinogenicity
cetuximab	Hazardous-2/4 based on	Does not meet the criteria	NIOSH will not include on 2012 updated

	fetal toxicity	of a hazardous drug -5/6	list because it does not meet the criteria of a hazardous drug
clorazepate dipotassium	Does not meet the criteria of a hazardous drug-3/4	Does not meet the criteria of a hazardous drug-5/6	NIOSH will not include on 2012 updated list because it does not meet the criteria of a hazardous drug
clonazepam	Hazardous-3/4 based on teratogenicity	Hazardous-6/6 based on teratogenicity	NIOSH proposes to include on 2012 updated list based on teratogenicity data
degarelix	N/A	N/A	NIOSH proposes to include on 2012 updated list based on manufacturer's recommendations for safe handling
dronedarone HCl	Hazardous- 4/4 based on adverse reproductive and fertility effects at low dose	Hazardous-6/6 based on adverse reproductive and fertility effects at low dose	NIOSH proposes to include on 2012 updated list based on adverse reproductive and fertility effects at low dose
efavirenz	Hazardous-4/4 based on teratogenicity at low dose	Hazardous-4/6 based on teratogenicity at low dose	NIOSH proposes to include on 2012 updated list based on teratogenicity at low dose
ethotoin	Does not meet the criteria of a hazardous drug-3/4	Does not meet the criteria of a hazardous drug-5/6	NIOSH will not include on 2012 updated list because it does not meet the criteria of a hazardous drug
everolimus	N/A	N/A	NIOSH proposes to include on 2012 updated list based on manufacturer's recommendations for safe handling
ixabepilone	N/A	N/A	NIOSH proposes to include on 2012 updated list based on manufacturer's recommendations for safe handling
lopinavir/ritonavir	Does not meet the criteria of a hazardous drug-3/4	Does not meet the criteria of a hazardous drug-4/6	NIOSH will not include on 2012 updated list because it does not meet the criteria of a hazardous drug
lovastatin	Hazardous-2/4 based on adverse developmental effects	Does not meet the criteria of a hazardous drug-4/6	NIOSH will not include on 2012 updated list because it does not meet the criteria of a hazardous drug
mometasone furoate	Hazardous- 4/4 based on teratogenicity	Does not meet the criteria of a hazardous drug-4/6	NIOSH proposes to include on 2012 updated list based on teratogenicity
mycophenolic acid	Hazardous- 4/4 based on adverse reproductive	Hazardous-5/6 based on adverse reproductive effects	NIOSH proposes to include on 2012 updated list based on adverse

	effects and	and immunosuppression	reproductive effects and
	immunosuppression	5	immunosuppression
nilotinib	Hazardous- 4/4 based on	Does not meet the criteria	NIOSH proposes to include on 2012
	adverse developmental and	of a hazardous drug-4/6	updated list based on adverse
	reproductive effects at low		developmental and reproductive effects at
	doses	**	low doses
oxcarbazepine	Hazardous-2/4 based on	Hazardous-4/6 based on	NIOSH proposes to include on 2012
	developmental and fertility	developmental and fertility	updated list based on developmental and
	effects and carcinogenicity	effects and carcinogenicity	fertility effects and carcinogenicity and
	and mutagenicity	and mutagenicity	mutagenicity
pamidronate disodium	Hazardous-2/4 based on	Does not meet the criteria	NIOSH will not include on 2012 updated
	adverse reproductive and	of a hazardous drug -4/6	list because it does not meet the criteria of
	fertility effects		a hazardous drug
paroxetine mesylate	Hazardous-2/4 based on	Hazardous-3/6 based on	NIOSH proposes to include on 2012
	teratogenicity	teratogenicity	updated list based on direct analogy to
			paroxetine HCl
pazopanib HCl	Hazardous-3/4 based on	Hazardous-5/6 based on	NIOSH proposes to include on 2012
	adverse effects on fertility	adverse effects on fertility	updated list based on adverse effects on
	and developmental toxicity	and developmental toxicity	fertility and developmental toxicity
phenoxybenzamine HCl	Hazardous- 4/4 based on	Hazardous-4/6 based on	NIOSH proposes to include on 2012
	carcinogenicity and	carcinogenicity and	updated list based carcinogenicity and
	mutagenicity	mutagenicity	mutagenicity
pioglitazone HCl	Hazardous-2/4 based on	Does not meet the criteria	NIOSH will not include on 2012 updated
	animal carcinogenicity	of a hazardous drug-5/6	list because it does not meet the criteria of
			a hazardous drug
pitavastatin Ca	Hazardous-2/4 based on	Hazardous-3/6 liver	NIOSH proposes to include on 2012
	liver toxicity and adverse	toxicity and adverse effect	updated list based on liver toxicity and
	effect developmental	developmental effects and	adverse effect developmental effects and
	effects and organ toxicity	organ toxicity based on	organ toxicity
plerixafor	Hazardous-2/4 based on	Hazardous-3/6 based on	NIOSH proposes to include on 2012
1	adverse reproductive and	adverse reproductive and	updated list based on adverse
	hematological effects	hematological effects	reproductive and hematological effects
pralatrexate	N/A	N/A	NIOSH proposes to include on 2012
r			updated list based on manufacturer's
			recommendations for safe handling
rituximab	Hazardous-2/4 based on	Does not meet the criteria	NIOSH will not include on 2012 updated
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	fetal toxicity	of a hazardous drug -5/6	list because it does not meet the criteria of a hazardous drug
romidepsin	N/A	N/A	NIOSH proposes to include on 2012 updated list based on manufacturer's recommendations for safe handling
rosuvastatin Ca	Does not meet the criteria of a hazardous drug-3/4	Does not meet the criteria of a hazardous drug-5/6	NIOSH will not include on 2012 updated list because it does not meet the criteria of a hazardous drug
rufinamide	Hazardous-4/4 based on adverse reproductive and developmental effects at low dose	Hazardous-5/6 based on adverse reproductive and developmental effects at low dose	NIOSH proposes to include on 2012 updated list based on adverse reproductive and developmental effects at low dose
simvastatin	Hazardous-2/4 based on adverse effects on fertility and teratogenicity	Does not meet the criteria of a hazardous drug-4/6	NIOSH proposes to include on 2012 updated list based on adverse effects on fertility and teratogenicity
telavancin HCl	Hazardous-2/4 based on developmental toxicity	Does not meet the criteria of a hazardous drug-4/6	NIOSH proposes to include on 2012 updated list based on developmental toxicity
temsirolimus	N/A	N/A	NIOSH proposes to include on 2012 updated list based on manufacturer's recommendations for safe handling
tetracycline hydrochloride	Hazardous-2/4 based on teratogenicity	Hazardous-3/6 based on teratogenicity	NIOSH proposes to include on 2012 updated list based teratogenicity
valproic acid/divalproex Na	Hazardous-3/4 based on teratogenicity	Does not meet the criteria of a hazardous drug-4/6	NIOSH proposes to include on 2012 updated list based on teratogenicity
vigabatrin	Hazardous-2/4 based on developmental toxicity below therapeutic dose	Hazardous-4/6 based on developmental toxicity below therapeutic dose	NIOSH proposes to include on 2012 updated list based on developmental toxicity below therapeutic dose
ziprasidone HCl	Hazardous-3/4 based on genotoxicity, carcinogenicity, teratogenicity and fetal toxicity	Hazardous-5/6 based on genotoxicity, carcinogenicity, teratogenicity and fetal toxicity	NIOSH proposes to include on 2012 updated list based on genotoxicity, carcinogenicity, teratogenicity and fetal toxicity
zoledronic acid	Hazardous-3/4 based on teratogenicity at low dose	Hazardous-5/6 based on teratogenicity at low dose	NIOSH proposes to include on 2012 updated list based on teratogenicity at low dose

	Pro	oposed Deletions	
Drugs reclassified as not r	neeting criteria for a hazardous		
alemtuzumab	Hazardous-2/4 based on pancytopenia/marrow hypoplasia	Does not meet the criteria of a hazardous drug-4/5	NIOSH proposes to remove from the current list because it does not meet the criteria of a hazardous drug
interferon alfa 2a	Hazardous-2/4 based on adverse reproductive effects	Does not meet the criteria of a hazardous drug-3/5	NIOSH proposes to remove from the current list because it does not meet the criteria of a hazardous drug
interferon alfa 2b	Hazardous-3/4 based on adverse reproductive effects	Does not meet the criteria of a hazardous drug-4/5	NIOSH proposes to remove from the current list because it does not meet the criteria of a hazardous drug
interferon alfa n3	Hazardous-2/3 based on adverse fertility and reproductive effects	Does not meet the criteria of a hazardous drug-3/5	NIOSH proposes to remove from the current list because it does not meet the criteria of a hazardous drug
NIOSH proposes to remove	ve these radio-pharmaceuticals	from the current list	
ibritumomab tiuxetan	Remove-4/4	Remove 6/6	NIOSH proposes to remove from the current list because it is regulated by the Nuclear Regulatory Agency
tositumomab	Remove-4/4	Remove 6/6	NIOSH proposes to remove from the current list because it is regulated by the Nuclear Regulatory Agency
NIOSH proposes to remov	ve these drugs from the current	list	
dienestrol	Remove-4/4	Remove 6/6	NIOSH proposes to remove from the current list because it is not available in the United States
interferon alfa n1	Remove-4/4	Remove 6/6	NIOSH proposes to remove from the current list because it is not available in the United States
perphosphamide	Remove-4/4	Remove 6/6	NIOSH proposes to remove from the current list because it is not available in the United States
piritrexim isethionate	Remove-4/4	Remove 6/6	NIOSH proposes to remove from the current list because it is not available in the United States
plicamycin	Remove-4/4	Remove 6/6	NIOSH proposes to remove from the current list because it is not available in

			the United States
prednumustine	Remove-4/4	Remove 6/6	NIOSH proposes to remove from the
			current list because it is not available in
			the United States
raltitrexed	Remove-4/4	Remove 6/6	NIOSH proposes to remove from the
			current list because it is not available in
			the United States
trimetrexate glucuronate	Remove-4/4	Remove 6/6	NIOSH proposes to remove from the
			current list because it is not available in
			the United States
vindesine	Remove-4/4	Remove 6/6	NIOSH proposes to remove from the
			current list because it is not available in
			the United States

¹Not Applicable because manufacturer includes drug handling recommendations in drug package insert.