STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1970 No. 1834

THERAPEUTIC SUBSTANCES

The Therapeutic Substances (Control of Sale and Supply) Regulations 1970

Made - - - -	*4th December* 1970
Laid before Parliament	*15th December* 1970
Coming into Operation	*18th December* 1970

Whereas the therapeutic substances hereinafter mentioned appear to the Secretary of State for Social Services, the Secretary of State for Wales, the Secretary of State for Scotland and the Minister of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland (hereinafter called " the Ministers ") to be substances which are capable of causing danger to the health of the community if used without proper safeguards:

Now, therefore, the Ministers, in exercise of their powers under section 8(1) of the Therapeutic Substances Act 1956(**a**), as amended by article 2(2) of and schedule 1 to the Transfer of Functions (Wales) Order 1969(**b**) and as having effect subject to the provisions of the Ministries (Transfer of Functions) (No. 2) Order (Northern Ireland) 1964(**c**) and of the Ministries (Transfer of Functions) (Northern Ireland) Order 1965(**d**), and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, after consultation with the Medical Research Council, hereby jointly make the following regulations:—

1. These regulations may be cited as the Therapeutic Substances (Control of Sale and Supply) Regulations 1970, and shall come into operation on 18th December 1970.

2.—(1) In these regulations " the schedule " means the schedule to these regulations.

(2) Unless the context otherwise requires, references in the schedule to any substance by name shall be construed as references to the substance for which such name has been approved by the Medicines Commission as shown in the list of Approved Names published under its authority and dated August 1970.

(3) The Interpretation Act 1889(**e**) shall apply to the interpretation of these regulations as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

3. Part II of the Therapeutic Substances Act 1956 (which controls the sale and supply of penicillin and certain other therapeutic substances) shall also apply—

(*a*) to the substances specified in the schedule,

(*b*) to any substance the chemical and biological properties of which are identical with or similar to those of any of the substances specified in Items 1, 2, 3 and 4 of the schedule but which is not produced by living organisms,

(*c*) to any ester or salt of any of the substances specified in the schedule or in paragraph (*b*) of this regulation, or of bacitracin or to any salt of any such ester.

(**a**) 1956 c. 25. (**b**) S.I. 1969/388 (1969 I, p. 1070).
(**c**) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1964/205. (**d**) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1965/13. (**e**) 1889 c. 63.

SCHEDULE Regulation 3

1. Candicidin.

2. The Cephalosporins, that is to say, the antimicrobial substances containing in their chemical structure a fused dihydrothiazine β-lactam nucleus

3. Hachimycin

4. Spectinomycin

5. Tetracosactrin

6. The Corticosteroids, that is to say—

(*a*) any substance which contains the chemical structure of pregn-4-ene-3, 20-dione, or of pregna-1,4-diene-3,20-dione, and has the 11-carbon atom directly linked to oxygen, with the exception of flugestone,

(*b*) algestone, cortodoxone, deoxycortone, flumedroxone, formocortal, and pregnenolone, and

(*c*) any acetal of a corticosteroid.

Keith Joseph,
Secretary of State for Social Services.

26th November 1970.

Given under my hand on 30th November 1970.

Peter Thomas,
Secretary of State for Wales.

Given under the seal of the Secretary of State for Scotland on 3rd December 1970.

(L.S.)

Gordon Campbell,
Secretary of State for Scotland.

Given under my hand on 4th December 1970.

W. K. Fitzsimmons,
Minister of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(*This Note is not part of the Regulations.*)

These Regulations bring within the scope of Part II of the Therapeutic Substances Act 1956 (which controls the sale and supply of substances to which that Part applies) the substances specified in regulation 3.

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