

PhPID and IDMP/EMA SPOR in EHDS – Safe exchange of patient medication data

The value of ISO IDMP PhPID in clinical healthcare – within a country, cross border and in-hospital use

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The Norwegian Medical product Agency (NOMA) and IDMP implementation



- NOMA has provided electronic medicinal product data to Norway's health sector since 2008.
- Since 2021, the SAFEST project has been transforming legacy medicinal-product data and referentials into ISO IDMP / FHIR, aligned with the EU implementation guide.
- National PhPID design complete and UMC/NOMA pilot (API) used to compare national and global PhPIDs
- Full IDMP & PhPID production rollout planned for 2026.

Presenters:

Representing clinical requirements for IDMP at NOMA and Testing the UMC PhPID pilot (API)



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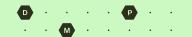
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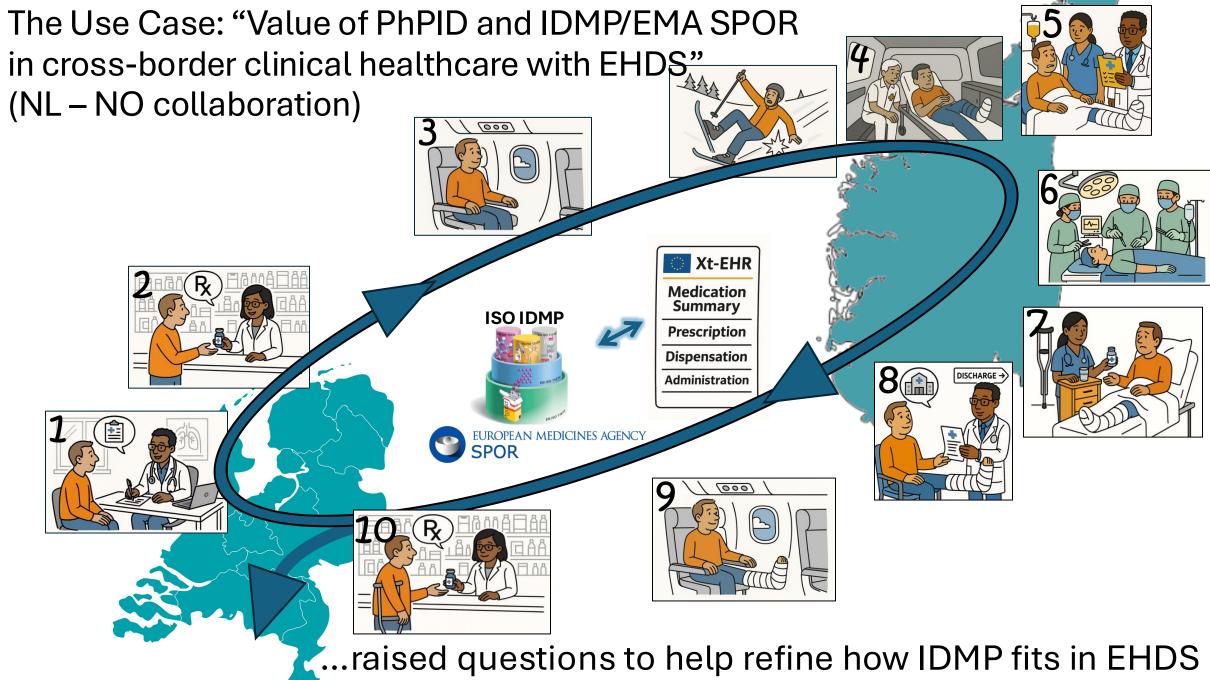


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The challenge: To safely identify medication in clinical use cases using PhPID and IDMP/EMA SPOR

The purpose of EHDSMedication is to enable safe and unambiguous identification of medicinal products in clinical use cases across the EU/EEA

EU eHealth Network guidelines, Article 11 on Terminology and data

"ISO IDMP suites of standards should be used for medicinal product identification. The identifiers for pharmacuetical product, PhPID, as identifier, once it has become available by the EMA and NCAs joint SPOR systems"

Assumption in this presentation

EHDSMedication should support the use of PhPID and IDMP/EMA SPOR identifiers and attributes for cross-border health care

Objective of the presentation

Move toward a common EU specification / implementation guide on how PhPID and IDMP/EMA SPOR data should be used in the EHDSMedication profile

Specifying and identifying medication: Focus on the clinical needs

- We use clinical use cases combined with real medication data to validate the existing model (v0.2.1.) and to ask questions aiming at improving the requirements and specification
- This presentation focuses on how SPOR/PhPID data can be used to satisfy clinical needs by deciding on:
 - How to use UMC PhPID and SPOR data to ensure successful implementation of EHDS
 - How to ensure common implementations across jurisdictions
 - How to enable validation and certification for EHDS implementations
- Supporting the iterative process of specifying, implementing, testing and validating

Specify

the EHDSMedication attributes needed to identify medication

Validate

the EHDSMedication in prescription and dispensation

Design / Improve

EHDSMedication specification

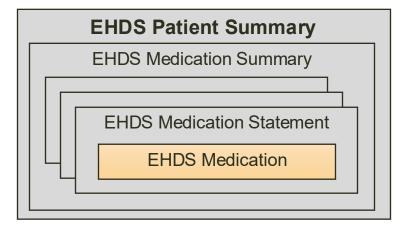
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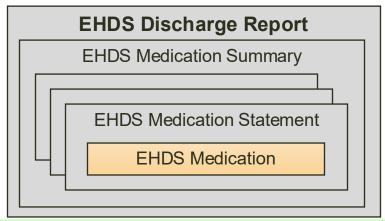
the SPOR and UMC APIs for supporting EHDSMedication

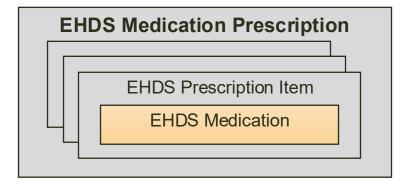
EHDS: Medication-Related FHIR Profiles

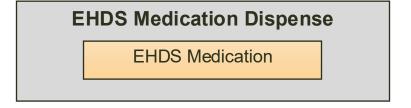
The EHDS Medication resource is pivotal for identifying medicinal products in clinical use cases.

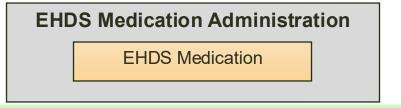
Cross-border and within a country; in hospitals, pharmacies and primary healthcare

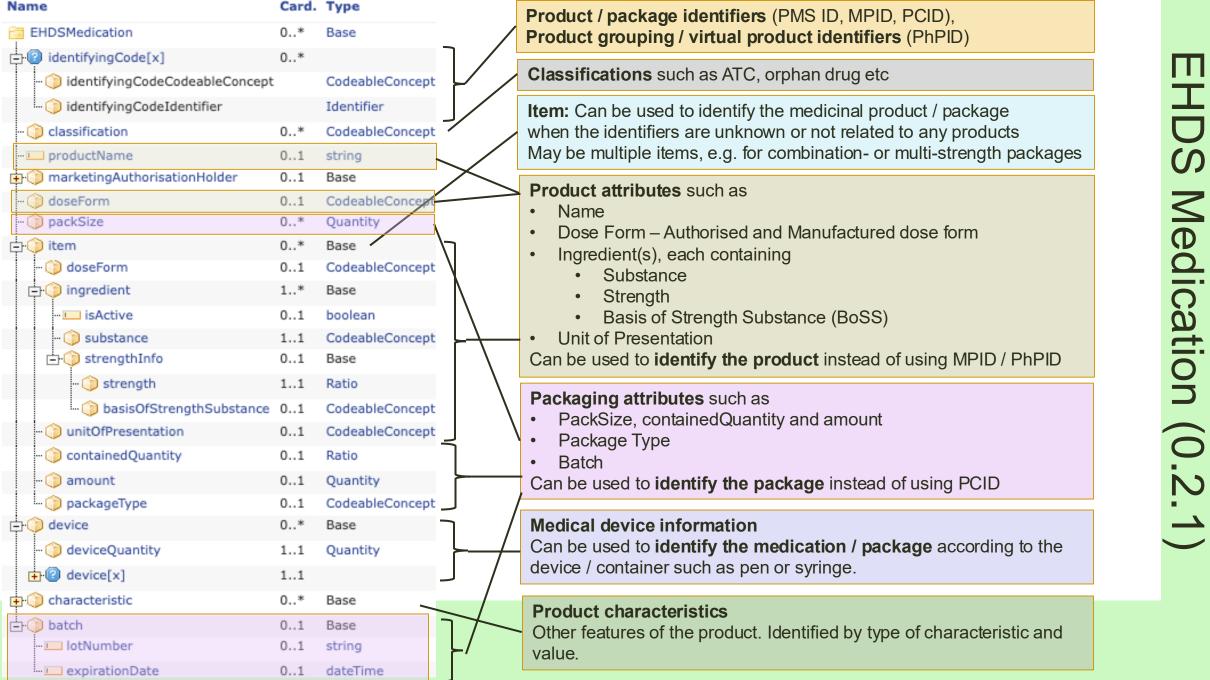


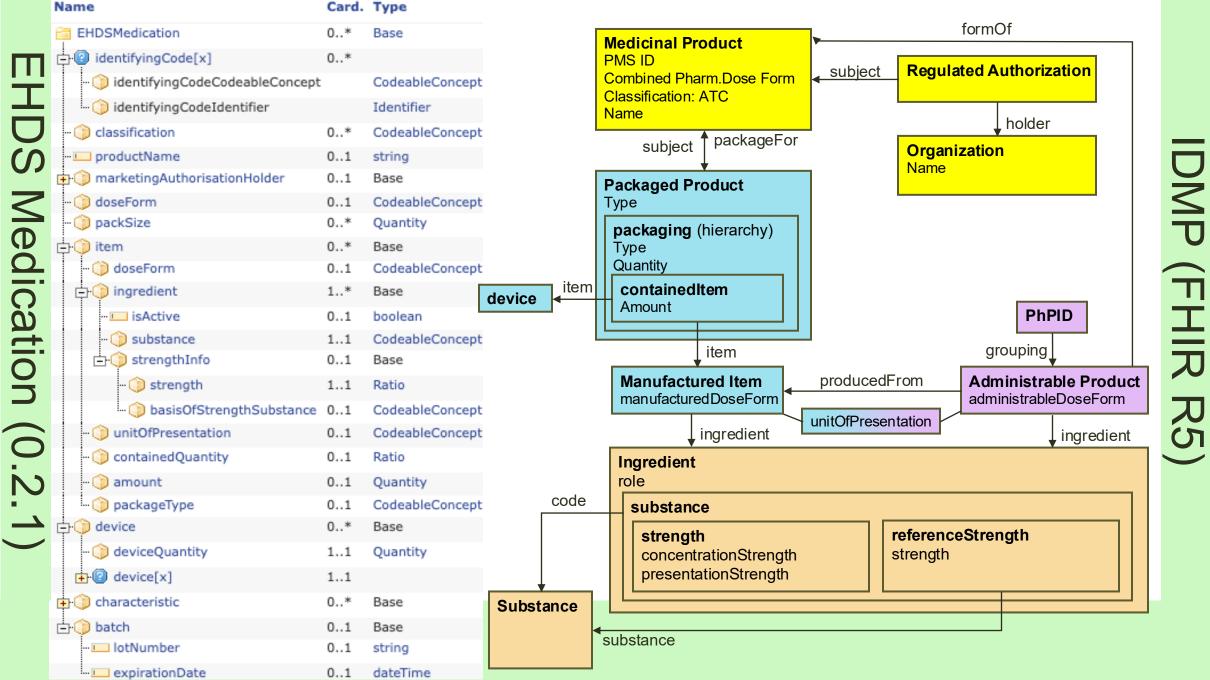












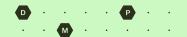
Use Case 1: Prescribing a branded Product

1 Patient consultation in primary healthcare and medication reconciliation









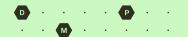
Global and National PhPID for Metoprolol

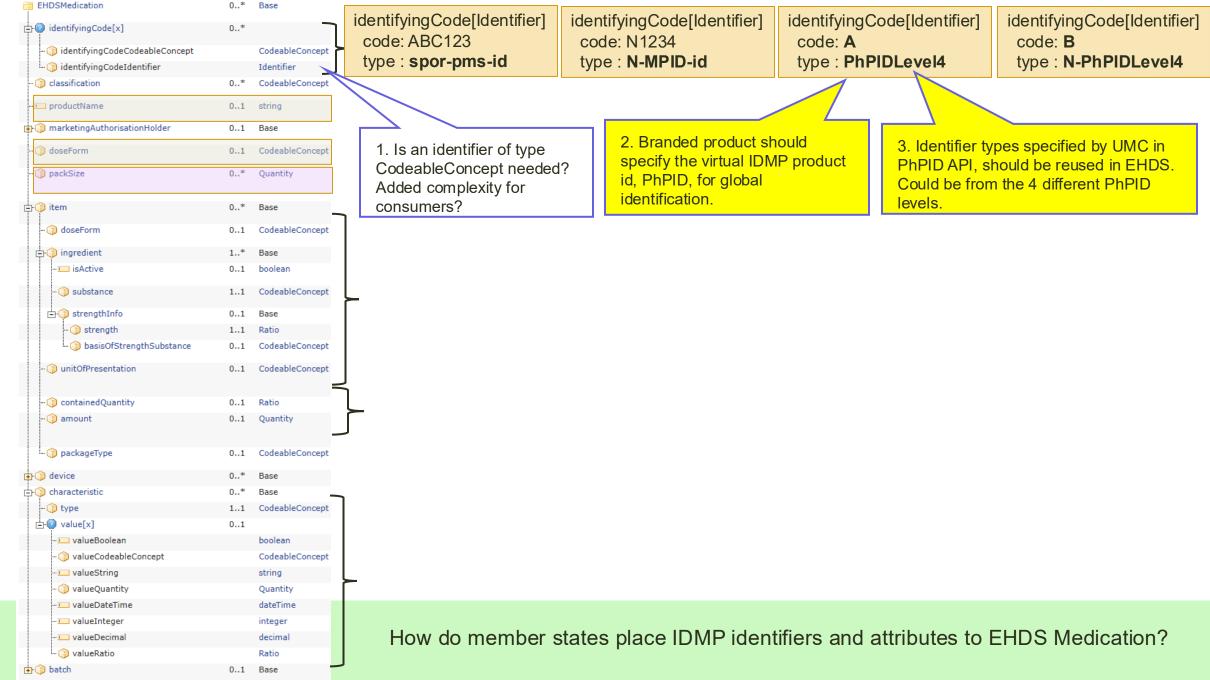
Products	Active Substance + strength	BOSS + strength	Active Moiety + strength	PhPID GLOBAL level 4	PhPID NOMA level 4	PhPID Netherlands Level 4
Metoprolol Sandoz prolonged release tabl 100 mg	Metoprolol suksinat 95 mg	Metoprolol tartrate 100 mg (BOSS)	Metoprolol 78,08 mg	Α	В	С
Metoprolol Medical Valley prolonged release tabl 100 mg	Metoprolol suksinat 95 mg	Metoprolol tartrate 100 mg (BOSS)	Metoprolol 78,08 mg	Α	В	С
Bloxazoc KRKA prolonged release tabl 100 mg	Metoprolol suksinat 95 mg	Metoprolol tartrate 100 mg (BOSS)	Metoprolol 78,08 mg	Α	В	С
Selo-Zok Orifarm prolonged release tabl 100 mg	Metoprolol suksinat 95 mg	Metoprolol tartrate 100 mg (BOSS)	Metoprolol 78,08 mg	A	В	С
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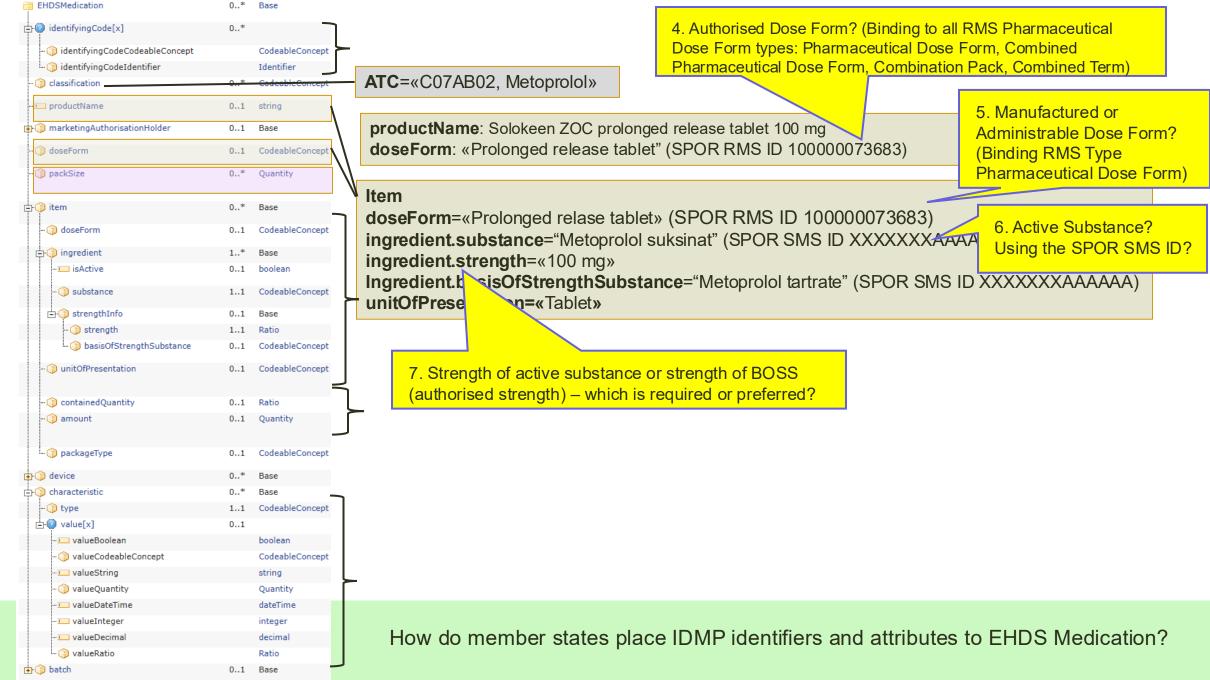
Same product in the groups for national and global PhPID – for Metoprolol, 5 brands grouped by Active Substance globally and Active Moiety nationally, however the **groups are 1:1 and can be easily mapped**.

This is a "special case" Medication, since the authorized strength is referring to substance (BOSS) that is not part of the product ingredient. However, this medication is frequently used and common in many EU countries.

The global PhPID can easily be added to any prescription, dispensation, administration or medication summary and will refer to the same products in various countries









9. UMC API will return GSID for the substance, however the EHDS ingredient uses SPOR SMS ID?

8. Where to place PhPID properties, dose form characteristics, substance and strength used for PhPID?

PhPID properties:

Administrable dose form characteristics

basicDoseForm: tablet

IntendedSite: oral

administrationMethod: swallowing releaseCharacteristics: prolonged

Substance and strength:

substance: Metoprolol suksinat (GSID+SMSID)

strength: 95 mg

reference substance: Metoprolol reference strength: 78.08 mg

Use Case 2: Prescribing a virtual Product, based on IDMP PhPID

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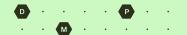
Variations in global and National PhPID for Prasugrel

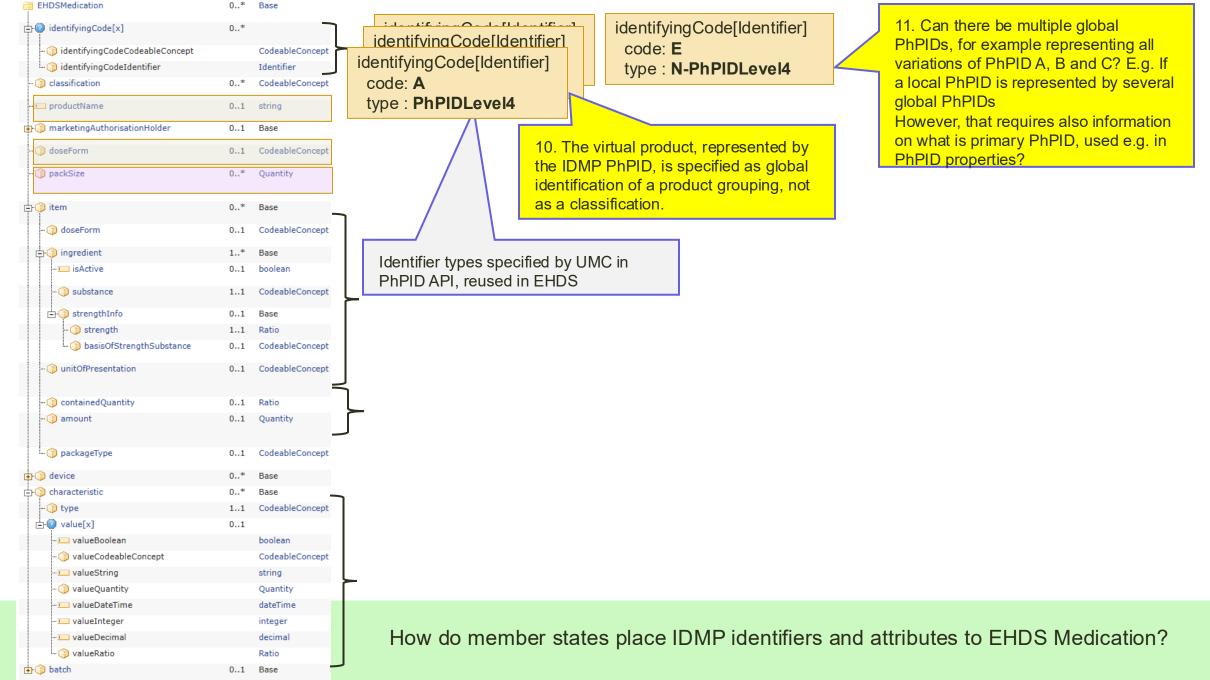
Products	Active Substance + strength	Active Moiety + strength	PhPID GLOBAL level 4	PhPID NOMA level 4	PhPID Netherlands Level 4
Efient Orifarm tabl 10 mg	Prasugrel hydrocloride 10,98 mg	Prasugrel 10 mg (BOSS)	Α	D	Е
Efient Substipharm tabl 10 mg	Prasugrel hydrocloride 10.98 mg	Prasugrel 10 mg (BOSS)	Α	D	E
Prasugrel Krka tabl 10 mg	Prasugrel 10 mg	Prasugrel 10 mg (BOSS)	В	D	E
Prasugrel Viatris tabl 10 mg	Prasugrel besilat 14,24 mg	Prasugrel 10 mg (BOSS)	С	D	E

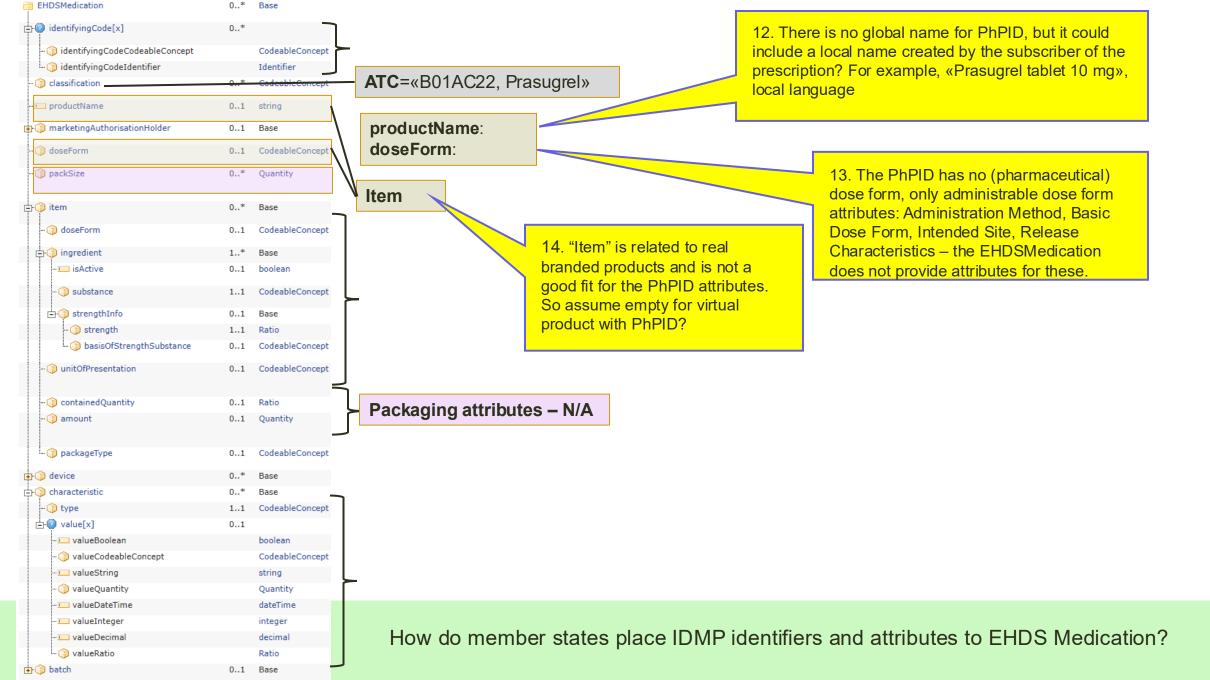
Global Deviation – for Prasugrel, 1 brands grouped by Active Moiety, 2 grouped by the salt Prasugrel hydrocloride and 1 by salt Prasugrel besilat. All have Active Moiety as BOSS.

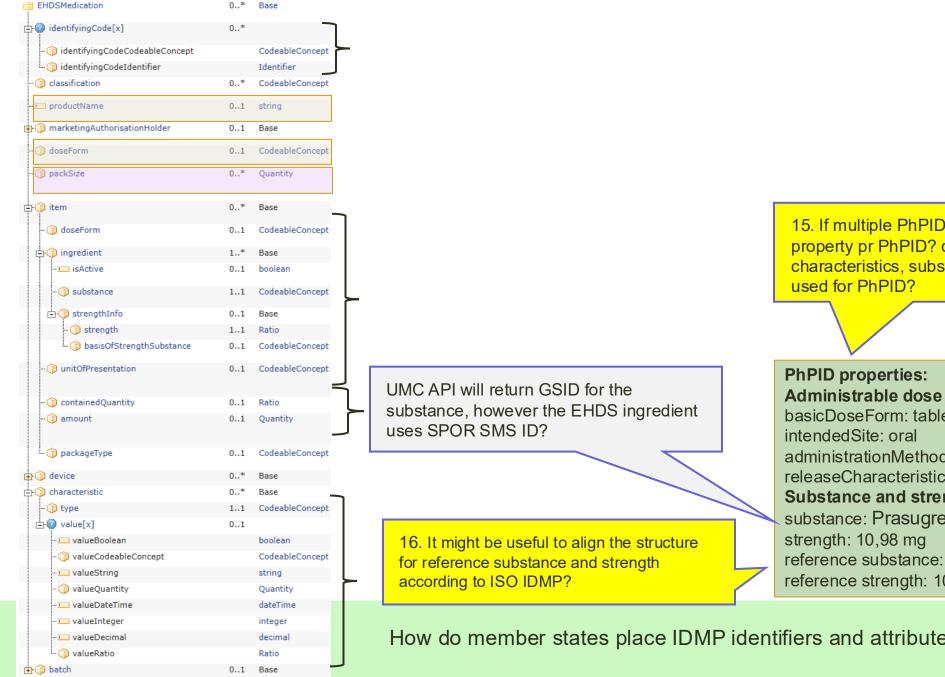
This is both due to actual difference in ingredients and variation in manufacturers details in SPC. They have the same clinical effect and are interchangeable.

Due to different Active Substance specified in SPC, they will get different Global PhPID, but national PhPID in Norway and in The Netherlands will be the same for all products (mapping n:1)









15. If multiple PhPID allowed, one property pr PhPID? dose form characteristics, substance and strength

Administrable dose form characteristics

basicDoseForm: tablet

administrationMethod: swallowing releaseCharacteristics: conventional

Substance and strength:

substance: Prasugrel hydrocloride (GSID+SMSID)

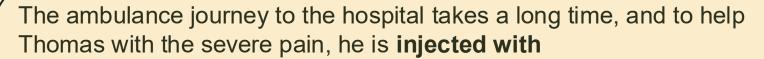
reference substance: Prasugrel

reference strength: 10 mg

Use Case 3: dispense and administration of injection





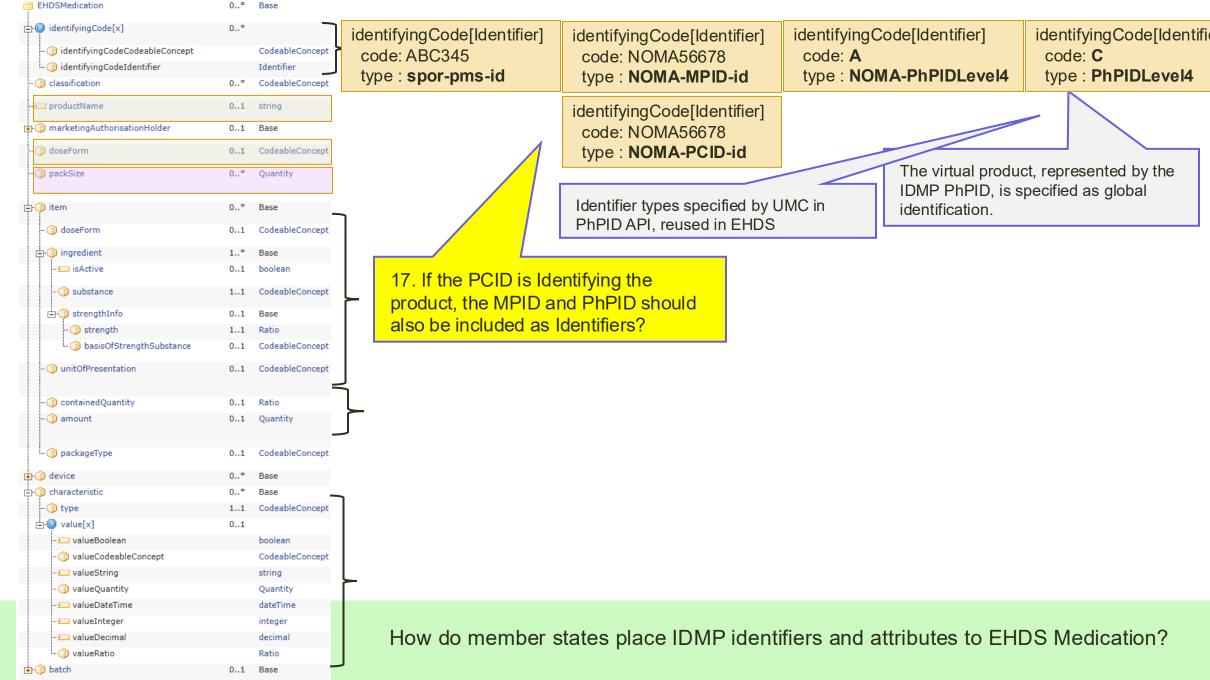


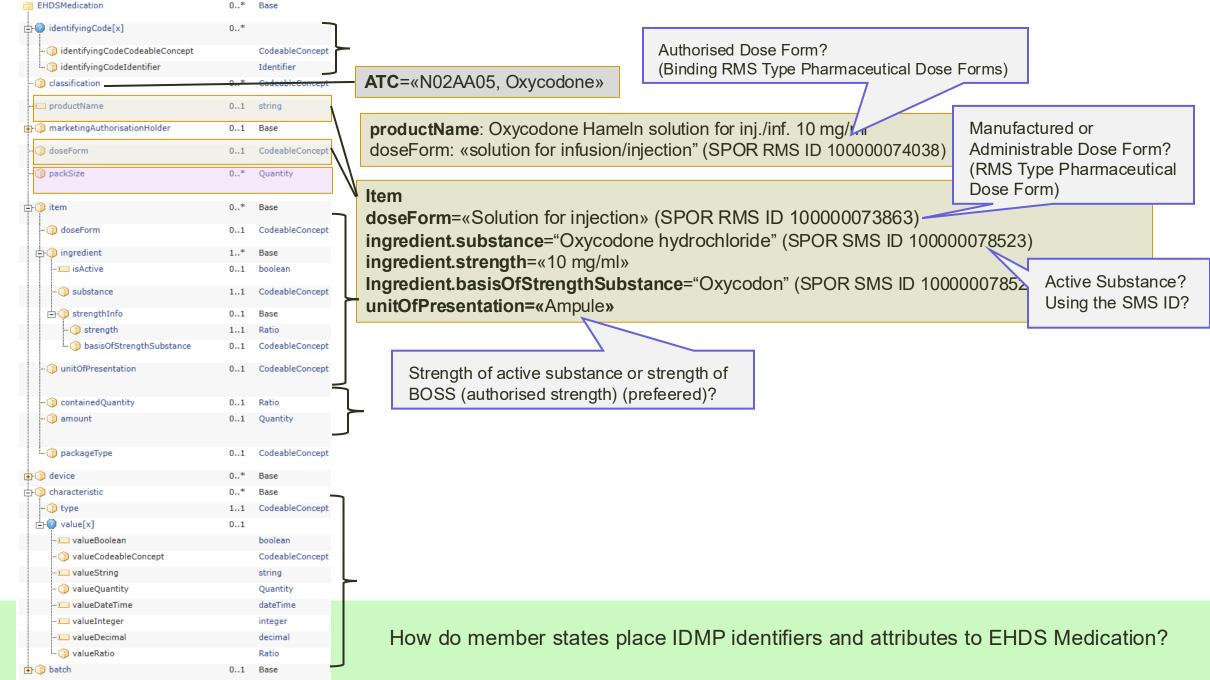
Oxycodone 10 mg/ml, 10 mg (1 ml) dose, with MPID and PhPID A.

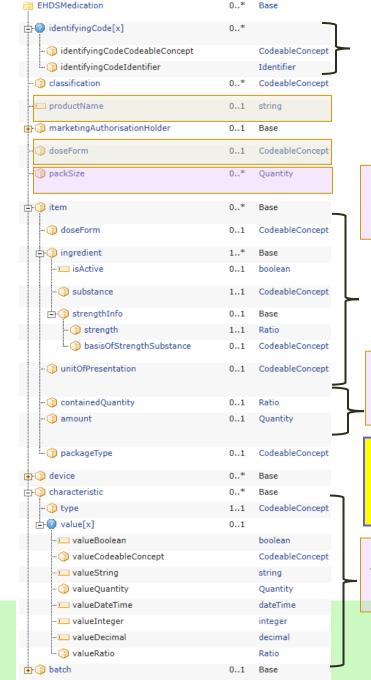
The administration is recorded and sent to the preregistered hospital journal to prepare for Thomas' admission. Thomas personal identification details are registered and sent along with the medicinal administration.

Injection and Infusion are assigned seperate national PhPIDs.

	Product	Authorized doseform	Authorized strength	Active substance	Active Moiety	Administrable doseform	PhPID Strength	Global PhPID	NOMA PhPID	Nether lands PhPID
	Oxycodone	solution for Injection	10 mg/ml	Oxycodone hydrochloride	Oxycodone	Solution for injection	8,96 mg/ml	C	Α	D
· ·	Hamein	and	10 mg/m	(BOSS)	Oxycodone :	Solution for infusion	8,96 mg/ml		В	E







18. Not precise enough specification of the requirement related to overall amount, e.g. 3 bottles of 100 ml, or 300 ml. Binding Description: EHDS to use Unit of Measure and Unit of presentation or UCUM for units of measure?

packSize is not part of the Packaged Product Definition in IDMP

packSize: The packSize is not supported by IDMP. It has been suggested part of Packaged Product, but not yet defined. NOMA supports the details in description «1 x 10 x 1 ml Ampulle of glass».

containedQuantity: «1 ml» amount: «10 ampules» packageType: «Ampule»

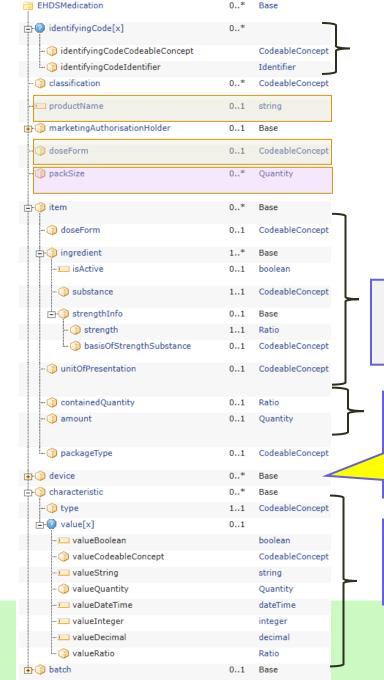
19. The naming of these terms are opposite of those in Packaged Product.

PackagedProduct.packaging.quantity is of type integer and is the number of package items of that packaging level. PackagedProduct.packaging.containedItem.amount type Quantity "The number of this type of item within this packaging or for continuous items such as liquids it is the quantity, for example 25ml.

21. The mapping between EHDSMedication.packageType and the IDMP Packaged Product is ambiguous. Which package type should this refer to? Packaged Product or package.type? If latter, at which level of packaging?

batch: Batch information of a *medicinal product package*. Typically recorded during dispense or administration, rarely known or relevant for a prescription/request

20. Should only lotNumber and expiry date be part of transaction information? Clinical requirements for GTIN, production date, serialNumber?



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We might also need a structure for reference substance and strength according to ISO IDMP

If multiple PhPID allowed, one property pr PhPID? dose form characteristics, substance and strength used for PhPID?

PhPID properties:

Administrable dose form characteristics

basicDoseForm: tablet

intendedSite: oral

administrationMethod: swallowing releaseCharacteristics: prolonged

Substance and strength:

substance: Oxycodone hydrochloride (GSID+SMSID)

strength: 8,96 mg

reference substance: Oxycodone

reference strength: 10 mg

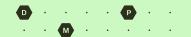


Discussion

Identifier
Product attributes
PhPID properties
Packaging (batch, device)

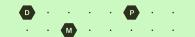
Questions for discussion – Identifier

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1 (OUT)	Is an identifier of type CodeableConcept needed? Added complexity for consumers?	1 Prescribing a branded Product	Identifier
2	Branded product should specify the virtual IDMP product id, PhPID, for global identification.	1 Prescribing a branded Product	Identifier
10	The virtual product, represented by the IDMP PhPID, is specified as global identification of a product grouping, not as a classification.	2 Prescribing a virtual product, PhPID	Identifier
17	If the PCID is Identifying the product, the MPID and PhPID should also be included as Identifiers?	3 Dispense and administration of injection	Identifier
3	Identifier types specified by UMC in PhPID API, should be reused in EHDS. Could be from the 4 different PhPID levels.	1 Prescribing a branded Product	Identifier
11	Can there be multiple global PhPIDs, for example representing all variations of PhPID A, B and C? E.g. If a local PhPID is represented by several global PhPIDs However, that requires also information on what is primary PhPID, used e.g. in PhPID properties?	2 Prescribing a virtual product, PhPID	Identifier



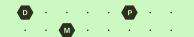
Questions for discussion – Product attributes / Item

Qnr	Question	Use Case	Category
4	Authorised Dose Form? (Binding to all RMS Pharmaceutical Dose Form types: Pharmaceutical Dose Form, Combined Pharmaceutical Dose Form, Combination Pack, Combined Term)	1 Prescribing a branded Product	Product attribute
5	Manufactured or Administrable Dose Form? (Binding RMS Type Pharmaceutical Dose Form)	1 Prescribing a branded Product	Product attribute
6	Active Substance? Using the SPOR SMS ID?	1 Prescribing a branded Product	Product attribute
7	Strength of active substance or strength of BOSS (authorised strength) – which is required or preferred?	1 Prescribing a branded Product	Product attribute
12	There is no global name for PhPID, but it could include a local name created by the subscriber of the prescription? For example, «Prasugrel tablet 10 mg», local language	2 Prescribing a virtual product, PhPID	Product attribute
14	"Item" is related to real branded products and is not a good fit for the PhPID attributes. So assume empty for virtual product with PhPID?	2 Prescribing a virtual product, PhPID	Product attribute



Questions for discussion – PhPID Properties

Qnr	Question	Use Case	Category
8	Where to place PhPID properties, dose form characteristics, substance and strength used for PhPID?	1 Prescribing a branded Product	PhPID properties
13	The PhPID has no (pharmaceutical) dose form, only administrable dose form attributes: Administration Method, Basic Dose Form, Intended Site, Release Characteristics – the EHDSMedication does not provide attributes for these.	2 Prescribing a virtual product, PhPID	Product attribute
9 (OUT)	UMC API will return GSID for the substance, however the EHDS ingredient uses SPOR SMS ID. UMC API will soon return also SMSID and can be used in EHDS.	1 Prescribing a branded Product	PhPID properties
15	If multiple PhPIDs are allowed, should there be one set of attributes per PhPID? Dose form characteristics, substance and strength used for PhPID?	2 Prescribing a virtual product, PhPID	PhPID properties
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