

CELEBRATING

25 years



Australian Government Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority

In June 2018, the Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority (APVMA) celebrated its 25th anniversary. This has provided an opportunity for us to reflect on our past achievements and set the stage for embracing opportunities for the future.

15 June, National Registration Authority (NRA) established as independent statutory authority to manage Australian Government's regulatory responsibilities under the National Registration Scheme

1993

Professor Ben Selinger appointed Chair, Leo Devin as Chief Executive Officer (CEO)

1994

Australian Government transfers responsibility for establishing maximum residue limits (MRLs) to the NRA

1995

The Adverse Experience Reporting Program (AERP) for veterinary medicines begins

National Registration Scheme implemented as *Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals Code Act 1994* (Agvet Code) comes into effect

1996

NRA quality system implemented with International Organization for Standardization (ISO) accreditation; Agriculture and Veterinary Requirements series is published

1997

Dr John Keniry appointed as Chair, Dr Alison Turner appointed as CEO

1998

Amendments to *Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals (Administration) Act 1992*, increasing membership of the NRA board to include a 'government' director

1999

Amendments to *Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals Administration Act 1992* to provide protection for undisclosed data submitted for evaluation of new active constituents

2000

Memorandum of understanding (MOU) signed with Food Standards Australia New Zealand for assessment of dietary exposure. Acute reference doses included in dietary exposure evaluation

2002

Dr Kevin Sheridan appointed Chair

2003

NRA changes name to Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority (APVMA)
Amendments to Agvet Code to introduce 'low regulatory' scheme and requirements for APVMA to approve final printed labels

Dr Joe Smith appointed CEO
AERP for agricultural chemicals begins

2005

MOUs signed with Canadian Pest Management Regulatory Agency and Veterinary Drugs Directorate

Commencement of the Australian - United States free trade agreement, data protection is granted to application data

2006

Joint Food and Agriculture Organization/World Health Organization Expert Committee on Food Additives (JEFCA) approach for determining MRLs for veterinary medicines is adopted

MOUs signed with United States Food and Drug Administration and the New Zealand Food Safety Authority

2007

APVMA governance structure adopts executive management model, headed by CEO with Advisory Board to provide advice to the CEO

Mr Mark Allison appointed Chair of Advisory Board
Australia makes first joint review approval of new active constituent following cooperation with US Environmental Protection Agency and Canadian Pest Management Regulatory Agency

2008

Dr Eva Bennet-Jenkins appointed as CEO

2010

APVMA implements new registration and label requirements to more effectively regulate spray drift risk

New amendments to Agvet Code allow streamlining of regulatory processes, including label approval

2011

Amendments to legislation allow APVMA to directly vary MRL standards in Australia New Zealand Food Standards Code, in consultation with Food Regulation Ministerial Council

APVMA releases a world-first mobile phone app, providing users access to APVMA's Public Chemicals Registration Information System database

2012

Ms Kareena Arthy appointed CEO
APVMA celebrates 20th anniversary

Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals Legislation Amendment Act 2013 receives Royal Assent (Act No. 125 of 2013)

2014

Australian Government commits \$8 million over four years to help farmers gain improved access to safe and effective agvet chemicals

New legislation introduced whereby clocks cannot be 'turned off' when deliberating an application
Products containing the chemical fenthion are cancelled

2015

Legislation comes into effect stating that a product name no longer has to be same as name on product container label, multiple labels can be approved for one product

2016

First ever trilateral review of veterinary medicine Metacam (for use on sheep) conducted between Canadian, New Zealand and Australian agvet chemical regulators

Federal Court decides APVMA obligated to protect confidential commercial information (CCI) about a reference product when assessing product registration applications on a case by case basis
Australian Government seeks to decentralise public services, announcing the APVMA will relocate operations to Armidale in regional NSW

2017

Review of dimethoate is completed. Decision made to restrict use in oilseed and fodder crops as well as remove approval for use in the home garden, on some tropical fruit crops and some vegetables
APVMA establishes interim office at 246 Beardy Street, Armidale
APVMA scientists receive awards for excellence from Canadian Government for contribution to first trilateral joint review and approval of veterinary chemical product, Metacam

Calicivirus strain RHDV K5 registered for use in controlling pest-rabbit populations
Report released on antimicrobial resistance in animals to support health and welfare of companion animals and productivity of livestock industries
APVMA develops roadmap for insect pollinator risk assessment in Australia
Dr Chris Parker appointed CEO
Armidale business operating model, including Armidale organisational structure is finalised

2018

Active constituent, 4-aminopropiophenone and product Foxecute Fox Bait and PAPP Wild Dog Bait registered for use
Largest fines on record of \$100,000 issued to manufacturer for supply of herbicides containing additional chemical actives other than those listed in the registered formulation

102 Taylor Street and 91 Beardy Street named as site for APVMA's permanent office in Armidale NSW
Australian farmers first in the world to access new agvet chemical technologies with approval of afidopropen and Duddingtonia flagrans
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