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REVIEW OF NOMINATION

Quinacrine (UNII code: 81A613ZZ6X) was not nominated for inclusion on the 503B Bulks List.

METHODOLOGY

Background information

The national medicine registers of 13 countries and regions were searched to establish the availability of quinacrine products in the United States (US) and around the world. The World Health Organization, the European Medicines Agency (EMA), and globalEDGE were used to identify regulatory agencies in non-US countries. The medicine registers of non-US regulatory agencies were selected for inclusion if they met the following criteria: freely accessible; able to search and retrieve results in English language; and desired information, specifically, product trade name, active ingredient, strength, form, route of administration (ROA), and approval status, provided in a useable format. Based on these criteria, the medicine registers of 13 countries/regions were searched: US, Canada, European Union (EU), United Kingdom (UK), Ireland, Belgium, Latvia, Australia, New Zealand, Saudi Arabia, Abu Dhabi, Hong Kong, and Namibia. Both the EMA and the national registers of select EU countries (Ireland, UK, Belgium, and Latvia) were searched because some medicines were authorized for use in the EU and not available in a member country and vice versa.

Each medicine register was searched for quinacrine; name variations of quinacrine were entered if the initial search retrieved no results. The following information from the search results of each register was recorded in a spreadsheet: product trade name; active ingredient; strength; form; ROA; status and/or schedule; approval date. Information was recorded only for products with strengths, forms, and/or ROA similar to those requested in the nominations.

In addition to the aforementioned medicine registers, the DrugBank database (version 5.1.4) and the Natural Medicines database were searched for availability of over-the-counter (OTC) products containing quinacrine. The availability of OTC products (yes/no) in the US and the ROA of these products were recorded in a spreadsheet. Individual product information was not recorded.

Systematic literature review

Search strategy

Two databases (PubMed and Embase) were searched including any date through March 25, 2019. The search included a combination of (quinacrine[tiab] OR Acrichine[tiab] OR Atabrine[tiab] OR Atebrin[tiab] OR Mepacrine[tiab]) AND (treat*[tiab] OR therap*[taib] OR clinic*[tiab] OR malaria*[tiab] OR immuno*[tiab] OR leishmaniasis[tiab] OR malignant[tiab] OR giardiasis[tiab] OR cancer[tiab] OR tumor[tiab] OR carcinoma[tiab]) AND (humans[MeSH Terms] AND English[lang] NOT autism). Peer-reviewed articles as well as grey literature were included in the search. Search results from each database were exported to Covidence®, merged, and sorted for removal of duplicate citations.

Study selection

Articles were not excluded on the basis of study design. Articles were considered relevant based on the identification of a clinical use of quinacrine or the implementation of quinacrine in clinical practice. Articles were excluded if not in English, a clinical use was not identified, incorrect salt

form, or if the study was not conducted in humans. Screening of all titles, abstracts, and full-text were conducted independently by two reviewers. All screening disagreements were reconciled by a third reviewer.

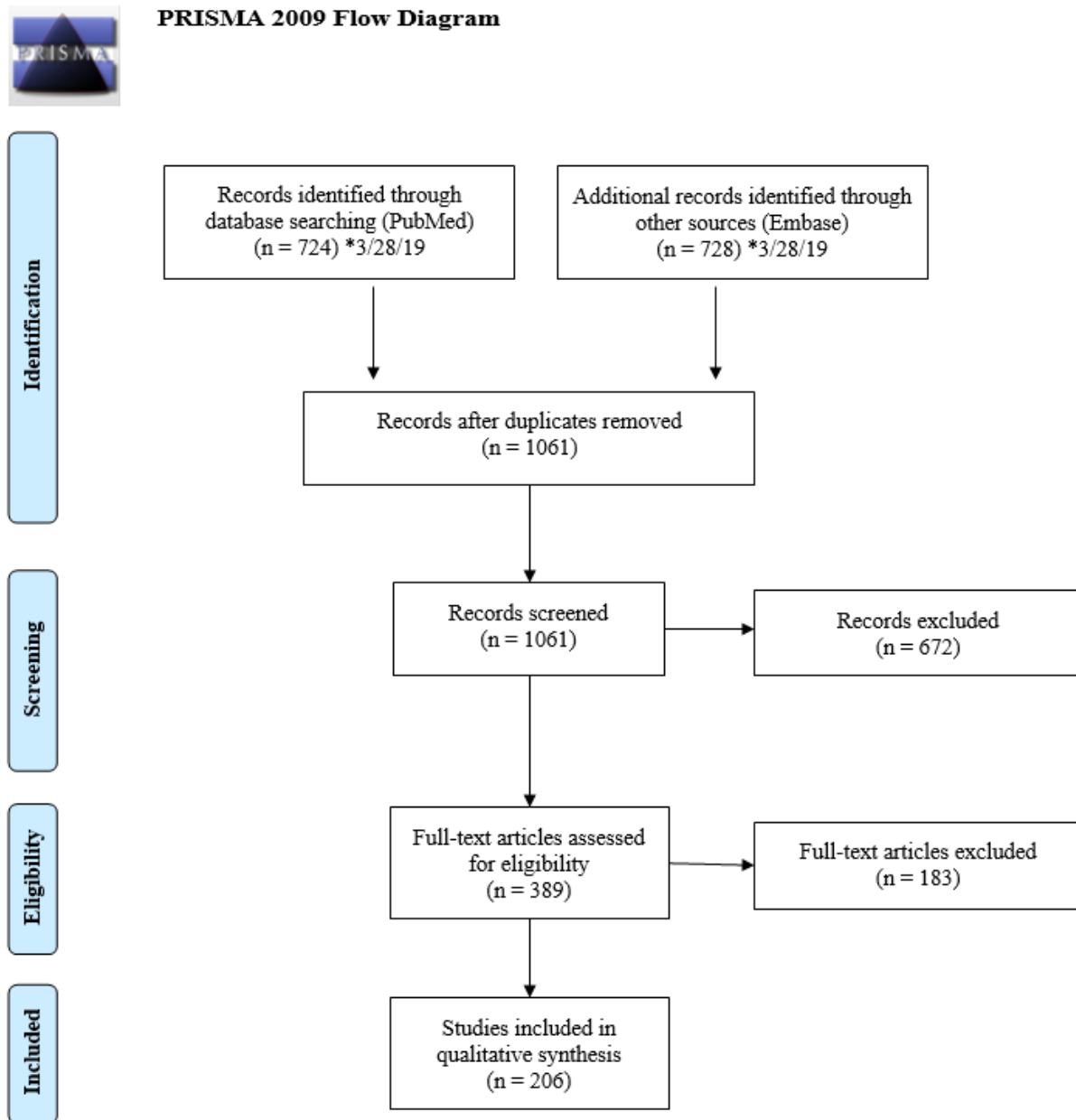
Data extraction

A standard data extraction form was used to collect study authors; article title; year published; journal title; country; indication for quinacrine use; dose; strength; dosage form; ROA; frequency and duration of therapy; any combination therapy utilized; if applicable, formulation of compounded products; study design; and any discussion surrounding the use of quinacrine compared to alternative therapies.

Results

Please refer to Figure 1.

Figure 1. Summary of literature screening and selection (PRISMA 2009 Flow Diagram)



From: Moher D, Liberati A, Tetzlaff J, Altman DG, The PRISMA Group (2009). Preferred Reporting Items for Systematic Reviews and Meta-Analyses: The PRISMA Statement. PLoS Med 6(7): e1000097. doi:10.1371/journal.pmed1000097

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Outreach to medical specialists and specialty organizations

Using the indications from the results of the literature review, fourteen (14) medical specialties that would potentially use quinacrine were identified: cardiology, dermatology, endocrinology, gastroenterology, hematology, hepatology, infectious disease, neurology, obstetrics and gynecology, oncology, pain management, primary care, pulmonology, and rheumatology. Semi-structured interviews were conducted with subject matter experts within these specialties. Interviews lasted from 30-75 minutes and were conducted either via telephone or in-person. Criteria for selecting subject matter experts included recommendations provided by specialty professional associations, convenient geographic location, authorship within the specialty, or referral by an interviewee. Up to nine (9) interviews were conducted per substance. Five (5) experts were contacted for interviews, of which one (1) accepted. Two (2) experts provided their response via email, one (1) expert specializing in hepatology stated that quinacrine is not used and one (1) expert specializing in gastroenterology stated that quinacrine is rarely used to treat giardiasis and other parasitic infections of the gut but would not consider it to be first-line, no additional follow-up was warranted. Two (2) experts, one (1) specializing in neurology and one (1) specializing in oncology, failed to respond to the interview request. The interview was recorded and transcribed via ©Rev.com. QSR International's NVivo 12 software was utilized for qualitative data analysis. The University of Maryland, Baltimore IRB and the Food & Drug Administration RIIHSC reviewed the study and found it to be exempt. Subject matter experts provided their oral informed consent to participate in interviews.

Survey

General professional medical associations and specialty associations for cardiology, dermatology, endocrinology, gastroenterology, hematology, hepatology, infectious disease, neurology, obstetrics and gynecology, oncology, pain management, primary care, pulmonology, and rheumatology, identified from the literature review, were contacted to facilitate distribution of an online survey. A Google™ search was conducted to identify relevant professional associations within each specialty. Associations were included if their members are predominantly practitioners, national associations, and organizations focused on practice within the US. Organizations without practicing physicians and state or regional organizations were excluded. The association's website was searched in order to identify the email of the executive director, regulatory director, media director, association president, board members, or other key leaders within the organization to discuss survey participation. If no contact information was available, the "contact us" tab on the association website was used.

An online survey was created using Qualtrics® software (Provo, UT). The survey link was distributed to 17 associations. If an association had more than one (1) substance with indications relevant to that specialty, substances were combined into one (1) survey with no more than 14 substances per survey. Table 1 highlights the associations that agreed to distribute the survey link and Table 2 includes the associations that declined to participate. Additionally, single substance surveys were created and posted on the project website which was shared with survey participants.

Participation was anonymous and voluntary. The estimated time for completion was 30 minutes with a target of 50 responses per survey. The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approved this project.

Table 1. Participating associations

Specialty	Association
Dermatology	American Academy of Dermatology (AAD)
	American Society for Dermatologic Surgery (ASDS)
Pain Medicine	American Academy of Pain Medicine (AAPM)
Primary Care	American Academy of Environmental Medicine (AAEM)
Rheumatology	American College of Rheumatology (ACR)

Table 2. Associations that declined participation

Specialty	Association	Reasons for Declining
Endocrinology	American Association of Clinical Endocrinologists (AACE)	Declined, “endocrinologists are not generally in the compounding space.”
Gastroenterology	American Gastroenterological Association (AGA)	Failed to respond
Hematology	American Society of Hematology (ASM)	Failed to respond
Hepatology	American Association for the Study of Liver Diseases (AASLD)	Failed to respond
Medicine	American Medical Association (AMA)	Failed to respond
	American Osteopathic Association (AOA)	Failed to respond
Neurology	American Academy of Neurology (AAN)	Failed to respond
Obstetrics and Gynecology	American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG)	Declined, survey not approved for distribution
Oncology	American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO)	Declined
Primary Care	American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP)	Failed to respond
	American College of Physicians (ACP)	Failed to respond
Pulmonology	American Thoracic Society (ATS)	Declined

CURRENT AND HISTORIC USE

Summary of background information

- Quinacrine is not available as an FDA-approved product.
- Quinacrine is not available as an OTC product in the US.
- There is no current United States Pharmacopeia (USP) monograph for quinacrine.
- Quinacrine is not available in any of the twelve foreign registries.

Table 3. Currently approved products – US

No approved products in the US

Table 4. Currently approved products – select non-US countries and regions

No approved products in the selected non-US countries and regions

Summary of literature review

- Total number of studies included: 206 (72 descriptive, 110 experimental, and 24 observational).
- Most of the studies were from the US (80).
 - Quinacrine was never formally approved by the FDA but it was used for a long time for malaria, especially during World War II. It was marketed until 1995 and was discontinued due to a decrease in demand.¹
- The most common indications for the use of quinacrine in the US were malaria, giardiasis, and female sterilization. The most common indications from the non-US studies were female sterilization, lupus erythematosus, and giardiasis.
- Compounded products were identified from both US and non-US studies.

Table 5. Types of studies

Types of Studies	Number of Studies
Descriptive ²⁻⁷³	72
Experimental ⁷⁴⁻¹⁸³	110
Observational ¹⁸⁴⁻²⁰⁷	24

Table 6. Number of studies by country

Country	Number of Studies
Australia ^{11,61,92,113,150}	5
Bangladesh ¹⁹⁰	1

Belgium ^{124,178}	2
Cameroon ⁹⁴	1
Canada ^{33,43,87,134,187}	5
Chile ^{73,183}	2
China ^{52,101,114,137}	4
Costa Rica ⁸⁰	1
Cuba ⁹⁸	1
Denmark ^{95,96,100,139}	4
Egypt ^{3,4,109,111}	4
Finland ^{131,148}	2
France ^{12,44,121}	3
Germany ¹⁸⁹	1
Honduras ¹²³	1
India ^{6,130,141,157,168,174,186}	7
Indonesia ^{65,66,74,75}	4
Iran ^{162,199}	2
Israel ^{51,170-172}	4
Italy ⁹⁹	1
Japan ¹⁴⁶	1
Kenya ^{27,120,138}	3
Libya ¹⁰⁸	1
The Netherlands ⁷¹	1
Nigeria ^{97,126}	2
Norway ^{45,112,129,132,143}	5
Pakistan ^{84,90}	2
Panama ¹⁶⁰	1

Philippines ⁷⁹	1
Russia ¹⁶⁹	1
Saudi Arabia ⁷	1
Singapore ¹⁴⁷	1
South Africa ⁵⁹	1
South Korea ¹⁷	1
Spain ^{29,46,57,70,188,204-206}	8
Sudan ²	1
Sweden ^{76-78,81,164,176,193}	7
Switzerland ¹¹⁵	1
Syria ¹⁹⁸	1
Thailand ^{16,151,158,159}	4
UK ^{5,22,26,30,36-38,50,54,64,72,105,117,136,142,149,152,154,167,177,179,185,203}	23
US ^{8-10,13-15,18-21,23-25,28,31,32,34,35,39-42,47-49,55,56,58,60,62,63,67-69,82,83,86,88,89,91,93,102-104,106,107,110,118,119,125,127,128,133,135,140,145,153,155,156,161,163,165,166,173,175,180,182,184,191,194,195,200-202,207}	75
West Africa ¹¹⁶	1
Multiple Countries <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brazil, Cuba¹⁹⁶ • Brazil, US¹⁹⁷ • Chile, US¹⁸¹ • Egypt, US⁸⁵ • India, US¹⁴⁴ • Ireland, UK⁵³ • Kenya, US¹²² • Norway, Sweden¹⁹² 	8
TotalUS: 80 TotalNon-US Countries: 131	

^aStudies 84, 121, 143, 180, and 196 counted in both US and non-US total.

Table 7. Number of studies by combinations

No combination product(s) were nominated

Table 8. Dosage by indication – US

Indication	Dose	Concentration	Dosage Form	ROA	Duration of Treatment
Malaria, treatment ^{41,82,83,102,104,106,119,122,125,153,165,173,180,201}	0.4-1 g	–	Solution	Intra venous	Once
	0.4-0.7g/week	–	Tablet	Oral	1 month-1 year
	0.1-1.2g/day	–	–	Oral	6 days-8 months
	Daily	–	–	–	2 years
Malaria, suppressive ^{82,103,122,191,195}	0.21g/4 days-3.4g/week	–	–	–	4-7 days
Malaria, protective ^{104,106}	0.4-0.8g/day	–	–	–	11-25 days
Giardiasis ^{8,10,19,21,35,47,48,55,85,145,166,207}	200-300mg/day	–	Tablet	Oral	5 days-3 weeks
	6mg/kg/day	–	Suspension	Oral	5-10 days
Female sterilization ^{39,68,89,107,110,135,140,144,181,182,197}	240-252mg/month	–	Pellets	Intracervical, Intrauterine, Transvaginal	1-3 months
	1.5g	–	Powder	Intracervical	–
	3g	–	Suspension	Intrauterine	Once
Pneumothorax ^{15,40,42,58,62,133,163,202}	25-100mg/day	0.1-2%	Solution, Suspension	Intrapleural	3-4 days
Lupus erythematosus ^{9,13,20,155,175,194,200}	25-200mg/day	–	Tablet	Oral	15 months
	100-300mg/day	–	–	–	3 weeks-12 months
Pleural effusion ^{23,49,86,93,127,156}	100-1500mg/day	–	Solution	Intrapleural	Once-3 months
Dermatomyositis ^{14,18,184}	100mg/day	–	–	–	At least 5 months
Sarcoidosis ^{60,63,128}	0.1-2.7g/day	–	–	–	–

Amebiasis ⁵⁶	0.4g/day	–	–	–	15 days
Annular erythema of Sjogren's syndrome ³⁴	100mg/day	–	–	Oral	–
Ascites ²³	200-400mg/day	–	Solution	Intrapleural	4-6 days
Auricular fibrillation ³¹	0.6g	6%	Solution	Intramuscular	Twice
	0.1-0.3g/day	–	–	Oral	6 days
Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease ¹¹⁸	300mg/day	–	–	Oral	2 months
Dipylidiasis ⁶⁹	150mg	7.5%	–	Nasogastric tube	Once
HBsAg-positive chronic hepatitis ⁹¹	100-400mg/day	–	Tablet	Oral	3 months
Light sensitive eruptions ¹⁵⁵	25-75mg/day	–	Tablet	–	At least 6 weeks
Non-small cell lung cancer ⁸⁸	50-150mg/day	–	–	Oral	84 days
Psoriasis ²⁰	100-300mg/day	–	–	–	3 weeks-3 months
Reticular erythematous mucinosis ⁶⁷	100mg/day	–	–	–	10 weeks
Supraventricular tachycardia ³¹	0.1g	–	–	Intravenous	Once
Systemic sclerosis ²⁸	–	–	–	–	–
Teniasis ¹⁶¹	0.2g/10 minutes	–	Tablet	–	4 doses
Torula meningitis ³²	0.2g/6 hours	–	–	Intramuscular	30 hours
	0.3-0.4g/day	–	–	Oral	18 days
Trichomonas vaginitis ²⁴	7.3g/treatment	–	Powder	Intravaginal	4 treatments over 2 days
Tularemia, undulant fever ²⁵	0.3g/day	–	Tablet	Oral	5 days

Abbreviations: “–”, not mentioned; ROA, route of administration.

Table 9. Dosage by indication – non-US countries^a

Indication	Dose	Concentration	Dosage Form	ROA	Duration of Treatment
Female sterilization ^{65,66,73-75,79,80,84,87,90,108,109,137,141,144,147,157,162,168,181,183,190,197,198}	180-500mg/month	–	Pellet, Solution	Intracervical, Intrauterine, Transcervical, Transvaginal	1-4 months
	50mg-1g	16-20%	Suspension	Intrauterine, Intravaginal	Once
Lupus erythematosus ^{12,17,22,29,33,38,44,54,70,99,100,115,170-172,189,204}	100mg/day	–	Tablet	Oral	8 months
	50mg-1.4g/week	–	–	–	2 weeks-11 months
	–	–	–	–	6 months-7 years
Malaria, treatment ^{2,30,45,71,92,94,97,113,116,120,154,169,174,179,186}	0.3-1.2g/day	–	Solution	Intramuscular	1 day-5 weeks
	5mL/day	4%	Solution	Intravenous	7 days
	0.1-1.2g/day	–	Tablet	Oral	1-17 days
	0.1-1g/day	–	–	–	Once-2 months
Pleural effusion ^{36,76-78,81,129,134,139,164,167,176,185,187,192,193}	180mg-28g/week	0.25-4%	Solution	Intrapleural	1 day-3 months
Giardiasis ^{7,12,51,57,85,98,131,143,158,177,196,199,205,206}	200-300mg/day	–	–	Oral	5-14 days
	6-8mg/kg/day	–	–	–	5 days-3 years
Tapeworm (Taenia ^{101,114,130,138} saginata ^{27,43,123} and solium ⁶¹ , Hymenolepis nana ¹²³ , Raillietina siriraji ¹⁶)	0.4-1.2g/day	–	Tablet	Oral	1 day
Prion disease ^{50,105} , Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease ^{46,121,146} , Fatal familial insomnia ¹⁸⁸	300mg/day	–	Capsule	Oral	3 weeks-26 months
	100-600mg/day	–	–	–	15 days-3 months

Amebiasis ^{3,4,52}	0.1g	–	Solution	Injection	Once
	0.9g/day	–	–	Oral	10 days
	0.3-0.9g/day	–	–	–	7-15 days
Malaria, chloroquine-resistant ^{11,136,151}	150-800mg/day	–	Tablet	Oral	7 days
	2.5g/5 days	–	–	–	5 days
Rheumatoid arthritis ^{112,117,148}	100-300mg/day	–	Tablet	Oral	1 year
Sarcoidosis ^{72,203}	100mg/day	–	–	Oral	10 months
Annular elastolytic giant cell granuloma ⁵³	300mg/week	–	–	Oral	–
Collagenous colitis ¹⁵⁰	300mg/day	–	–	Oral	10 days
Common variable hypogammaglobulinemia ⁵⁹	300mg/day	–	–	–	1 month
Cutaneous sarcoid ³⁷	100-200mg/day	–	–	–	8 months
Dermatomyositis ⁵	200mg/day	–	–	–	A few weeks
Gastroenteritis ²⁶	0.3g/day	–	–	–	5 days
Hymenolepis nana ¹¹¹	15mg/kg	–	Tablet	Oral	Once
Intestinal parasitism ¹⁶⁰	300mg/day	–	–	–	5 days
Jessner-Kanof disease ¹⁷⁸	300mg/week-100mg/day	–	–	–	7-10 months
Malaria, suppressive ⁶	1 tablet/day	–	Tablet	–	7 months
Non-insulin-dependent diabetes mellitus ¹⁵²	300mg/day	–	–	Oral	7 days
Onchocerciasis ¹²⁶	400mg/day	–	–	–	5-7 days

Opisthorchis viverrini ¹⁵⁹	0.4-2g/day	–	–	Oral	5-8 days
Petit mal ¹⁴²	500mg/week	–	–	–	3-24 months
Pneumothorax ¹²⁴	100mg/day	–	Solution	Intrapleural	4 days
Polymorphic light eruptions, chronic ⁹⁶	25-200mg/day	–	–	–	31 days
Prevention against UV rays ¹³²	1mL	5%	Ointment	Topical	1-4 days
Reticular erythematous ⁶⁴	100mg/day	–	–	–	A few weeks
Rosacea ⁹⁵	100-200mg/day	–	Tablet	Oral	At least 31 days
Vitiligo ¹⁴⁹	0.1-0.3g/day	–	–	Oral	–

Abbreviations: “–”, not mentioned; ROA, route of administration.

^aStudy 11 had more than one indication.

Table 10. Compounded products – US

Indication	Publication Year	Compounding Method	Dosage Form	Final Strength
Pneumothorax ^{40,42,62,133,202}	1973-1983	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quinacrine in 5% glucose water or saline 	Solution	0.1-2%
Pleural effusion ^{23,86,93,156}	1964-1978	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quinacrine in saline or in pleural/ascitic fluids 	Solution	0.33-2%
Ascites ²³	1967	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quinacrine 200mg in saline or in pleural/ascitic fluids 	Solution	2%
Auricular fibrillation and supraventricular tachycardia ³¹	1947	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quinacrine in 1% novocaine 	–	6%
Dipylidiasis ⁶⁹	1962	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quinacrine in water 	–	7.5%
Female sterilization ¹⁸²	1976	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quinacrine powder in 2% xylocaine 	–	30%

Giardiasis ²¹	1981	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quina crine suspension in 1.5M sucrose solution 	Suspension	2%
Malaria ²⁰¹	1947	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ata brine dissolved in distilled water and added to saline 	Solution	–
Trichomonas vaginitis ²⁴	1948	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ata brine with boric acid powder 	Insufflation	–

Abbreviation: “–”, not mentioned.

Table 11. Compounded products – non-US countries

Indication	Compounding Method	Dosage Form	Final Strength
Pleural effusion ^{36,76-78,129,134,167,176,185,193}	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quina crine dissolved in distilled water, saline, or pleural fluid 	Solution	0.25-4%
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quina crine dissolved in 0.25% bupivacaine 	Solution	0.33%
Female sterilization ^{87,183}	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quina crine suspended in water 	Suspension	16.7%
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quina crine in 2% xylocaine 	Solution	–
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quina crine with epinephrine in 2% xylocaine 	Solution	–
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quina crine in water 	Solution	–
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quina crine with oxytocin in water 	Solution	–
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quina crine with tetracycline in 2% xylocaine 	Solution	–
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quina crine with cortisone in water 	Solution	–
Giardiasis ⁷	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quina crine with versenate in water 	Solution	–
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mepacrine suspended in water 	Solution	0.5%
Malaria ¹⁸⁶	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quina crine HCl tablets dissolved in distilled water, boiled for 3 minutes after adding 15mL distilled water to 700mL of solution and allowed to cool 	Solution	3.3%

Pneumothorax ¹²⁴	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quinacrine dissolved in sterile saline solution 	Solution	0.2%
Taeniasis ⁶¹	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Atabrine HCl dissolved in glass of water containing one teaspoonful of sodium bicarbonate 	Solution	–

Abbreviation: “–”, not mentioned.

Summary of focus groups/interviews of medical experts and specialty organizations

One (1) interview was conducted.

Table 12. Overview of interviewee

Interviewee	Level of Training	Specialty	Current Practice Setting	Experience with Quinacrine	Interview Summary Response
END_03	MD	Endocrinology	Academic medical institution	No	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not familiar with quinacrine.

Abbreviation: MD, Doctor of Medicine.

Summary of survey results

Table 13. Characteristics of survey respondents [12 people responded to survey^a]

Board Certification	DO	MD	No Response
Anesthesiology	0	1	0
Dermatology	0	2	0
Neurology	0	1	0
Pain Medicine	0	3	0
Rheumatology	1	0	0
No Response	0	0	6

Abbreviations: DO, Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine; MD, Doctor of Medicine.

Table 14. Types of products used, prescribed, or recommended

Types of Products	Respondents, n (N=2^a)
Compounded	2
FDA-approved	0
Over-the-counter	0
Dietary	0
Unsure	0
No Response	0

^aOut of 12 respondents, 2 reported using, prescribing, or recommending quinacrine product.

Table 15. Compounded use of quinacrine in practice^a

Indication	Strength	Dosing frequency	Dosage Form	ROA	Duration of Treatment	Patient Population
Lupus vulgaris	100mg	Daily	Tablet	Oral	Indefinitely	Adult
Systemic lupus	–	–	–	–	–	–

Abbreviations: “–”, not mentioned; ROA, route of administration.

^aTwo (2) respondents.

Table 16. Indications for which quinacrine is considered a standard therapy

Indication	Standard Therapy	
	Compounded, n (N=2)	Non-compounded, n (N=0)
None ^a	1	0
No Response	1	0

^aOne (1) respondent wrote “adjunct to hydroxychloroquine in recalcitrant cutaneous lupus”.

Table 17. Reasons for using compounded product instead of the FDA-approved products

Theme	Reasons
Availability	“Only available via compounding”
Intolerance	“Intolerance to FDA approved product”

Table 18. Change in frequency of compounded quinacrine usage over the past 5 years

	Respondents, n (N=2)
No—use has remained consistent	1
Yes—I use it LESS often now ^a	1
Yes—I use it MORE often now	0

^aOne (1) respondent wrote “shortage/unavailability”.

Table 19. Do you stock non-patient specific compounded quinacrine in your practice?

	Respondents, n (N=2)
No	2
Yes	0

Table 20. Questions related to stocking non-patient specific compounded quinacrine

No survey respondents provided this information

CONCLUSION

Quinacrine (UNII code: 81A613ZZ6X) was not nominated for inclusion on the 503B Bulks List.

From the literature review conducted, the most common indications for the use of quinacrine in the US were malaria, giardiasis, and female sterilization. The most common indications from the non-US studies were female sterilization, lupus erythematosus, and giardiasis. Compounded products were identified from both the US and non-US studies.

From the interview, one (1) interviewee was not familiar with quinacrine.

From the survey responses, 2 out of 12 respondents used quinacrine. Respondents most commonly used compounded quinacrine for lupus vulgaris and systemic lupus. Availability and intolerance were the reasons provided for use of a compounded quinacrine product over an FDA-approved product. Zero (0) out of two (2) respondents who used the compounded product reported stocking non-patient specific compounded quinacrine in their practice.

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Appendix 2. Survey instrument

Start of Block: Welcome Page

The University of Maryland Center of Excellence in Regulatory Science and Innovation (M-CERSI), in collaboration with the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), is conducting research regarding the use of certain bulk drug substances nominated for use in compounding by outsourcing facilities under section 503B of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act. In particular, we are interested in the current and historic use of these substances in clinical practice. This survey is for **quinacrine**. As a medical expert, we appreciate your input regarding the use of this substance in your clinical practice. This information will assist FDA in its development of a list of bulk drug substances that outsourcing facilities can use in compounding under section 503B of the Act. All responses are anonymous.

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The time required to complete this information collection is estimated to average 30 minutes, including the time to review instructions, search existing data sources, gather the data needed, and complete and review the information collection. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. If you have additional questions or concerns about this research study, please email: compounding@rx.umaryland.edu. If you have questions about your rights as a research subject, please contact HRPO at 410-760-5037 or hrpo@umaryland.edu.

End of Block: Welcome Page

Start of Block: Quinacrine

Q1. What type(s) of product(s) do you use, prescribe, or recommend for **quinacrine**? Please check all that apply.

- Compounded drug product
- FDA-approved drug product
- Over the counter drug product
- Dietary supplement (e.g. vitamin or herbal supplement products sold in retail setting)
- Unsure

Skip To: Q13 If What type(s) of product(s) do you use, prescribe, or recommend for quinacrine? Please check all th... != Compounded drug product

Skip To: Q2 If What type(s) of product(s) do you use, prescribe, or recommend for quinacrine? Please check all th... = Compounded drug product

Display This Question:

If What type(s) of product(s) do you use, prescribe, or recommend for quinacrine? Please check all th... = Compounded drug product

Q2. Please list any conditions or diseases for which you use compounded **quinacrine** in your practice. Please include the strength(s), dosing frequency(ies), dosage form(s), route(s) of administration, duration of therapy, and patient population (ex. age, gender, comorbidities, allergies, etc).

	Strength(s) (please include units)	Dosing frequency(ies)	Dosage form(s)	Route(s) of administration	Duration of therapy	Patient population
Condition 1 (please describe)						
Condition 2 (please describe)						
Condition 3 (please describe)						
Condition 4 (please describe)						
Condition 5 (please describe)						

Q3. Do you use compounded **quinacrine** as a single agent active ingredient, or as one active ingredient in a combination product? Please check all that apply.

- Single
- Combination

Skip To: Q5 If Do you use compounded quinacrine as a single agent active ingredient, or as one active ingredient... != Combination

Display This Question:

If Loop current: Do you use compounded quinacrine as a single agent active ingredient, or as one active ingredient... = Combination

Q4. Please list all combination products in which you use compounded **quinacrine**.

Q5. For which, if any, diseases or conditions do you consider compounded **quinacrine** standard therapy?

Q6. Does your specialty describe the use of compounded **quinacrine** in medical practice guidelines or other resources?

Q7. Over the past 5 years, has the frequency in which you have used compounded **quinacrine** changed?

- Yes - I use it **MORE** often now (briefly describe why) _____
- Yes - I use it **LESS** often now (briefly describe why) _____
- No - use has remained consistent

Q8. Why do you use compounded **quinacrine** instead of any FDA-approved drug product?

Q9. Do you stock non-patient-specific compounded **quinacrine** in your practice location?

- Yes
- No

Skip To: End of Block If Do you stock non-patient-specific compounded [substance] in your practice location? = No

Display This Question:

If Do you stock non-patient-specific compounded [substance] in your practice location? = Yes

Q10. In what practice location(s) do you stock non-patient-specific compounded **quinacrine**? Please check all that apply.

- Physician office
- Outpatient clinic
- Emergency room
- Operating room
- Inpatient ward
- Other (please describe) _____

Q11. How do you obtain your stock of non-patient-specific compounded **quinacrine**? Please check all that apply.

- Purchase from a compounding pharmacy
- Purchase from an outsourcing facility
- Compound the product yourself
- Other (please describe) _____

Q12. Why do you keep a stock of non-patient-specific compounded **quinacrine**? Please check all that apply.

- Convenience
- Emergencies
- Other (please describe) _____

Skip To: End of Block If Why do you keep a stock of non-patient-specific compounded [substance]? Please check all that apply. = Convenience

Skip To: End of Block If Why do you keep a stock of non-patient-specific compounded [substance]? Please check all that apply. = Emergencies

Skip To: End of Block If Why do you keep a stock of non-patient-specific compounded [substance]? Please check all that apply. = Other (please describe)

Q13. For which, if any, diseases or conditions do you consider **quinacrine** standard therapy?

Q14. Does your specialty describe the use of **quinacrine** in medical practice guidelines or other resources?

End of Block: Quinacrine

Start of Block: Background Information

Q15. What is your terminal clinical degree? Please check all that apply.

- Doctor of Medicine (MD)
- Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine (DO)
- Doctor of Medicine in Dentistry (DMD/DDS)
- Naturopathic Doctor (ND)
- Nurse Practitioner (NP)
- Physician Assistant (PA)
- Other (please describe) _____

Q16. Which of the following Board certification(s) do you hold? Please check all that apply.

- No Board certification
- Allergy and Immunology
- Anesthesiology
- Cardiovascular Disease
- Critical Care Medicine
- Dermatology
- Emergency Medicine
- Endocrinology, Diabetes and Metabolism
- Family Medicine
- Gastroenterology
- Hematology
- Infectious Disease
- Internal Medicine
- Medical Toxicology
- Naturopathic Doctor
- Naturopathic Physician
- Nephrology
- Neurology
- Obstetrics and Gynecology
- Oncology
- Ophthalmology
- Otolaryngology
- Pain Medicine
- Pediatrics
- Psychiatry
- Rheumatology
- Sleep Medicine
- Surgery (please describe) _____
- Urology
- Other (please describe) _____

End of Block: Background Information