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## Pesticides and other agrochemicals — Principles for the selection of common names

Produits phytosanitaires et assimilés — Principes pour le choix des noms communs





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## Introduction

This document contains principles for the construction of common names for pesticides and other agrochemicals. The intention is to create short, distinctive, easily pronounced names, which will be common to all languages, as far as is possible. This document contains recommended names for common ions and radicals, as well as recommended stems for different chemical structures. Therefore, the common name should reflect any relationship with chemicals of a similar structure. However, it is important to avoid confusion between common names and existing names, whether they are other common names, trade names or chemical names. Recommendations on how to name isomers, salts, esters, etc. are also included. Common names are intended to be permanent; they do not expire, and they are not withdrawn when a substance is no longer marketed. These principles are defined for the guidance of proposers of such common names and for the operation of ISO/TC 81 and of the Maintenance Agency for ISO 1750.