What’s new in Embase®?

The details of our January 2020 release
New! Overview of January 2020 Embase release

Emtree 2020.01 release includes:

• Addition of Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM) taxonomy
• Addition of Global Medical Device Nomenclature (GMDN) medical device terms
TCM Emtree branch

In Emtree2020.01: 361 classical acupuncture points that are classified by the 14 meridians/vessels were added, which will be available for:

- Searching and retrieving best available TCM literature evidence
- Systematically evaluating the TCM practices
- Monitoring TCM drugs and TCM-combined devices safety
- Enabling researchers to design and implement the clinical trials
- Enabling innovative therapeutics derived from ancient therapies or herbal medicines

"Evidence about traditional Chinese medicine grows" and there is a need for clinical evaluation of therapeutic effects of TCM therapies
GMDN Emtree branch

In Emtree2020.01: 4,418 GMDN terms and definitions were incorporated to existing and new concepts following a standardized approach. This approach is also used by the FDA’s Global Unique Device Identification Database (GUDID), making cross source searching and retrieval standard and more user friendly.

A standard medical device naming system that will utilize the literature searching for MDR, by using the same terminology and can be used for:

- state of the art searches
- clinical evaluation report
- post market surveillance plan

“"The adoption of Regulation (EU) 2017/745 on Medical Devices (MDR) and Regulation (EU) 2017/746 on In-Vitro Diagnostic Devices (IVDR) changed the European legal framework for medical devices, introducing new responsibilities for EMA and for national competent authorities. Both Regulations entered into force in May 2017 and have a staggered transitional period.

The MDR has a transition period of three years and will fully apply from 26 May 2020. The IVDR has a transition period of five years and will fully apply from 26 May 2022.""
Thank you