# Information Event Pharmaceutical Companies



Livestream Event



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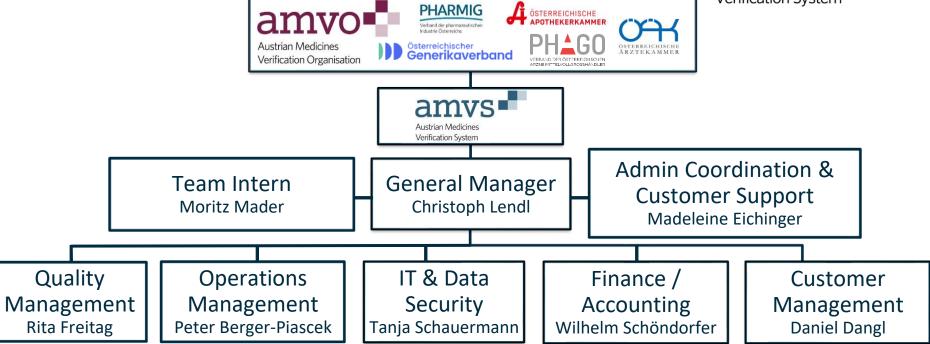


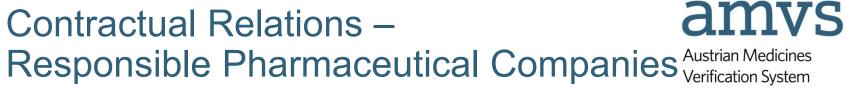
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## **AMVS Organisation**



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Status: 31.10.2025



#### Fixed Turnover-based Part

Reduction of the fee by 5% for all user groups

#### Variable Volume-based Part

■ Reduction of the fee by 0.001€ per serial number for both fee classes

## Invoicing

Reduction of number of invoices per year

# Turnover Declaration and Confirmation of Agreement Changes

Mailing until end of November

#### Fixed Turnover-based Part

Turnover	Fee 2024-2025	Fee NEW from 2026
€ / User p.a.	€ / User p.a.	€ / User p.a.
User group < 100k	360	342
User group 100k-1.5 Mio	1 080	1 026
User group 1.5-3 Mio	2 160	2 052
User group 3-10 Mio	3 600	3 420
User group 10-20 Mio	5 400	5 130
User group 20-30 Mio	10 800	10 260
User group 30-50 Mio	18 000	17 100
User group 50-70 Mio	25 200	23 940
User group 70-100 Mio	32 400	30 780
User group 100-150 Mio	39 600	37 620
User group 150-200 Mio	46 800	44 460
User group 200-250 Mio	54 000	51 300
User group > 250 Mio	61 200	58 140





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Variable Volume-based Part

Price-Quantity Scale p.a.	€/serial number 2024-2025	€/serial number NEW from 2026
≤ 2 000 000	0.007	0.006
≥ 2 000 001	0.003	0.002

Based on the number of uploaded serial numbers into the AMVSystem



Invoicing from 2026: 2 invoices / year

Fixed Turnover-based Part:

Turnover Declaration until 31st January

Invoicing until 28th February

Variable Volume-based Part:

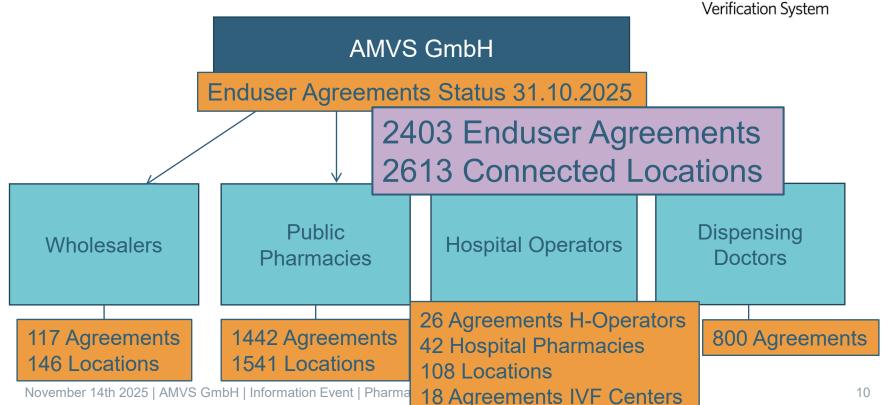
Uploads January – December

Invoicing until 31st January of the following year

Payment Deadline 30 Days

# Contractual Relations – Endusers





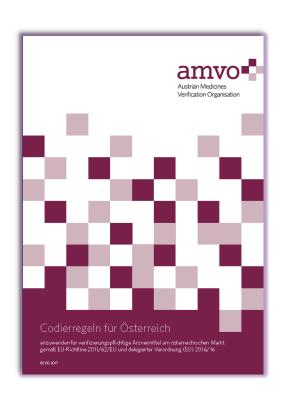
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Coding Rules for Austria
Version 4.0 published in November 2020

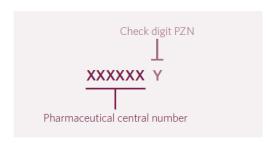
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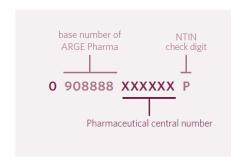
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**General**: Productcode is the Austrian NTIN (NTIN-AT) generated from the Austrian PZN (PZN-AT – 7 digits incl. check digit)





**Attention**: Check digit of PZN most likely different to check digit of NTIN



### Multi Market Packs need a common product code

- GTIN as produkt code or
- NTIN of another country under certain conditions possible (no further country specific elements within the DataMatrix code)
- For Austria no 5th element in DataMatrix code required and not possible (no identifier defined)

### **Shared Packs with Germany**



2 options possible that were agreed between AMVO/AMVS and SecurPharm/ACS Pharmaprotect

#### Option 1:

Productcode GTIN Elements in the GS1 DataMatrix: 5

**PC:** 09099999000970

**SN:** A1B2C3D4E5 **Lot.:** ABC123

**EXP:** 12 2022

NHRN: 12345678

#### Option 2:

Productcode NTIN-DE Elements in the GS1 DataMatrix: 4

**PC:** 04150123456782

**SN:** A1B2C3D4E5

**Lot.:** ABC123 **EXP:** 12 2022



Disclaimer: Information on coding in Germany is non-binding and does not replace consultation with SecurPharm / ACS Pharmaprotect.



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Regardless of the coding variant selected for multi-market packs, the PZN-AT is not part of the DataMatrix code.

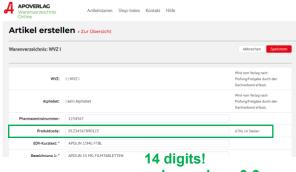
Enduser needs to know, which PZN is assigned to a certain product code!

Upload of the PZN-AT as national code (NHRN) in the Austrian

market specific EMVO Master data

**AND** 

 Storing of the product code in Warenverzeichnis of APOVerlag



only numbers 0-9



The 1D linear barcode is not needed any more for single market packs as well as for multi market packs

We recommend to

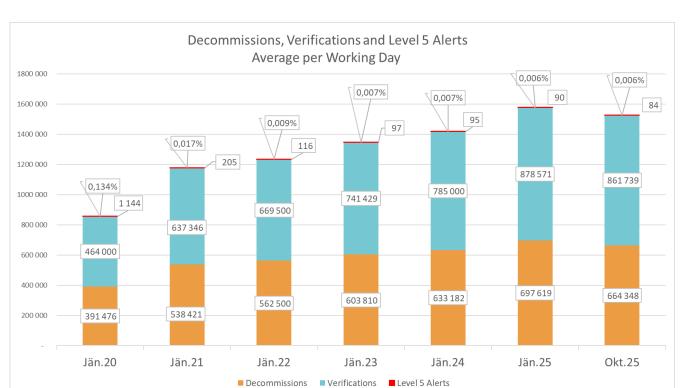
- Not print any 1D linear barcode for new products
- Remove the 1D linear barcode within the next package version

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### Alert Statistics – General Overview





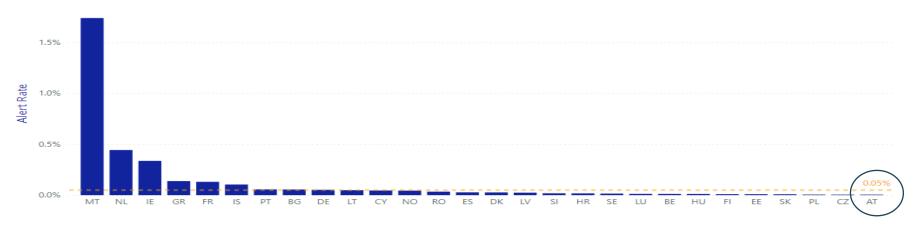
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## Alert Statistics – Alert Rates in Europe



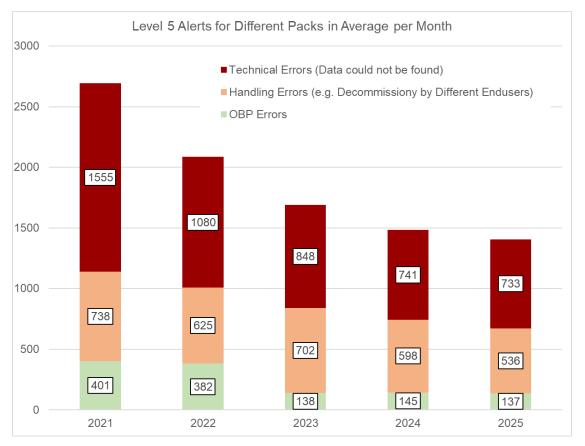


#### September 2025



Alarmrate inkl. OBP-Alerts

## Alert Statistics – Alerts per Category



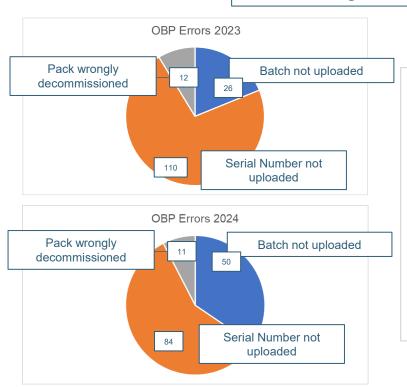


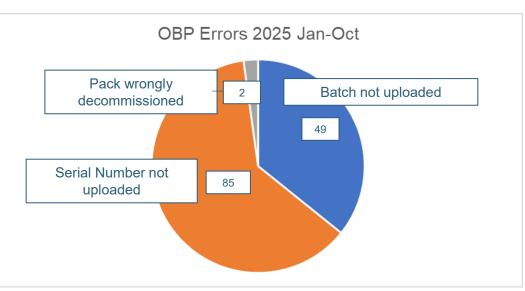
### Alert Statistics – OBP Errors



Average Number of Packs per Month

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#### **OBP Errors**



## Batch not uploaded - still delivered

- 21 Batches from 16 companies so far affected in 2025
- Number of alerts per incident from 3 bis 169
- → Coordination with QP required (Coordination Batch Release with Batch Upload)
- → Check the upload by verifying a pack

### **OBP Errors**



## Serial number not uploaded - batch partially uploaded

- "Blind Passenger" packs
- 237 batches from 68 companies affected so far in 2025
- Number of affected serial numbers per batch from 1 to 107
- 3 companies reload affected serial numbers

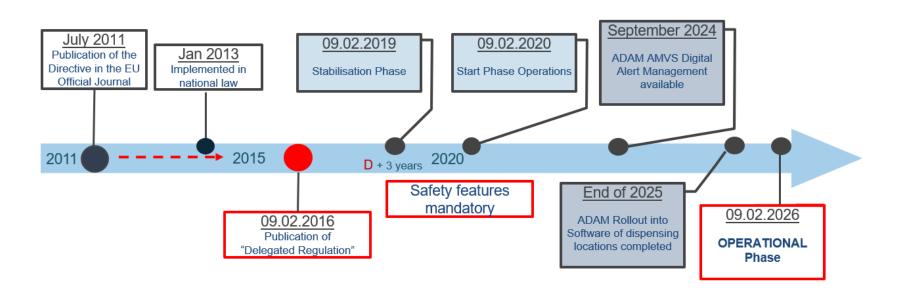
# OBP Errors – AMVS Follow-up actions



- NCA will be informed immediately if an entire batch is not uploaded or if a batch contains an increased number of "blind passengers"
- → NCA engagement enhanced
- If a batch is not uploaded, the full line wholesalers are also informed

## Timeline to Operational Phase





## Operational phase from 09.02.2026

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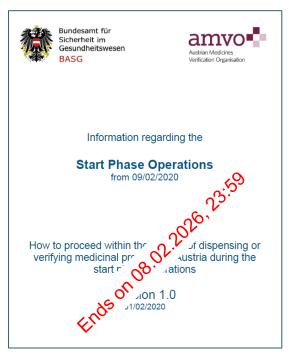
Level 5 alerts are classified as potential falsification incidents

Pack remains at the enduser's premises

The alert must be investigated within 3 working days. reasonable grounds to suspect an incident of falsification if alert can not be solved within 3 working days

Correction of a process error (if applicable) must be done within 10 calendar days.

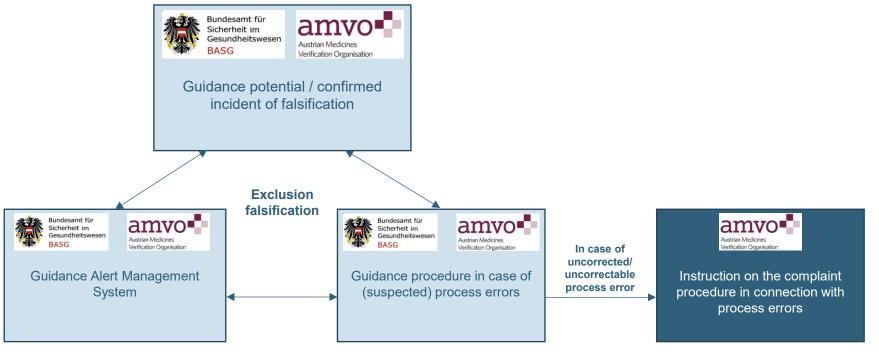
Complaint possible if no correction is performed



# Processes around Potential Incidents of Falsification after Start Phase



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- Version 3 published in February 2025
- Reference to Alert Management System
- Adaption on EMVO Best Practice Guide on Alert Handling

Alerts that must be investigated by OBPs/MAHs:	Alerts that must be investigated on request of AMVS or BASG (NCA):	Alerts must be investigated if alert is generated by OBP himself / if OBP has decommissioned the pack himself / on request of AMVS or BASG (NCA):
A2 / NMVS_FE_LOT_03 / Batch not found	A68 / NMVS_FE_LOT_13 / Batch number mismatch	A7 / NMVS_NC_PCK_19 / Pack already in requested state
A3 / NMVS_NC_PC_02 / Serial number not found		A24 / NMVS_NC_PCK_22, NMVS_NC_PCK_06, NMVS_NC_PCK_27 / Batch Status Missmatch
A52 / NMVS_FE_LOT_12 / Expiry Date mismatch		

# Guidance Alert Management System



- Published in February 2025
- Supplement to the guideline potential / confirmed counterfeit case
- Strong recommendation from all stakeholders and the BASG to use the Alarm Management System
- Changes for pharmaceutical companies:
  - E-mail communication with AMVS and possibly BASG no longer necessary
  - Direct communication with all parties involved (AMVS, end user, BASG)
  - Communication with enduser is anonymised
  - Status of an alarm always at a glance

# Guidance Alert Management System



Investigation of alerts by OBPs/MAHs within 3 working days:

#### **Overall Alert Status**

Indicates the processing status of the alert

New - Under Investigation - Escalated - Closed

**OBPs shall always set the Status to Under Investigation** 

AMVS (or NCA if required) will close the alert

#### **OBP Investigation Status**

shows the result of the OBP investigation

Root cause on my side / not on my side / pending

#### Comment (External message)

Provides details of the investigation - Possibility for Communication with NMVO / NCA / anonymized end user

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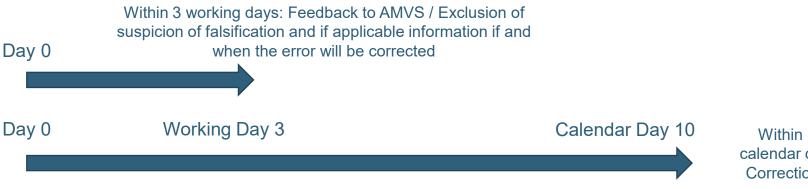
In case the Alert Managment System is not used:

- Procedure according Guidance potential / confirmed incident of falsification
- Investigation result must be submitted by Email within 3 working days to office@amvs.at

## Process around Potential Incident of Falsification after Start Phase



## Duties of industry



Within 10 calendar days: Correction of process errors

Correction process errors: Uploading of missing data Undo of the decommission of mistakenly decommissioned packs

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#### Why Data Deletion?

- Amount of data in each NMVS is growing.
- Storage need in data centre / cloud.
- Database performance is expected to going down at a certain point.
- Reuse of serial numbers within the same product code by OBP based on delegated regulation 2016/161 Article 4d possible

"The character sequence resulting from the combination of the product code and the serial number shall be unique to a given pack of a medicinal product until at least one year after the expiry date of the pack or five years after the pack has been released for sale or distribution, whichever is the longer period."



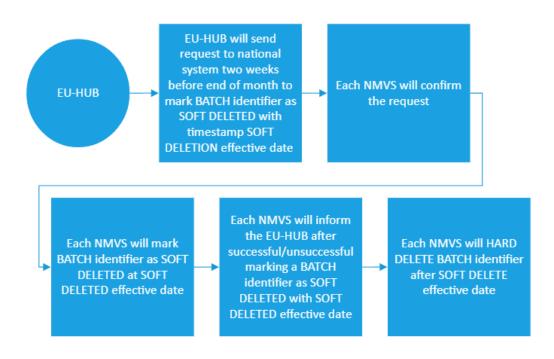
#### Which data will be deleted

- Pack data (based on delegated regulation 2016/161 Article 33 / 4)
  - Batch, Product, Pack will be deleted, at the end of the data retention period
  - The trigger will be the batch upload date or the expiry date (whatever is the longer) –
    which means that the packs related to a batch are all deleted at the same time, rather
    than being deleted individually
- Audit and Alerts data (based on delegated regulation 2016/161 Article 35 g)
  - Audit (transaction) data will be deleted, at the end of the data retention period
  - Alerts data will be deleted, at the end of the data retention period
  - The trigger will be the "creation" date of the Audit or Alert data

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#### Batch Data Deletion - how it works



#### Audit and Alert Points deletion - how it works





# AMVS goes Oracle Sovereign Cloud

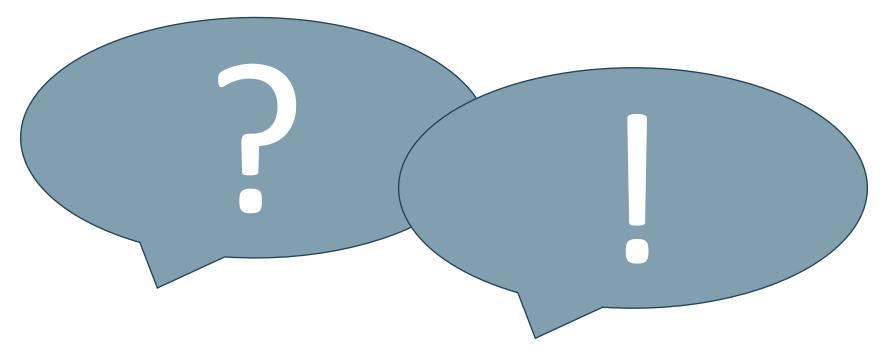


- Transfer of all data from Arvato Data Center to Oracle Sovereign Cloud
- Transfer was on 11.11.2025
- No impact on the pharmaceutical companies
- Even faster response times for end users can be expected, as system peaks can be balanced out.

## **Questions and Discussion**



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