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AATA	Animal Transportation Association
ABM	Assured British Meat
ABPI	Association of the British Pharmaceutical Industry
ACMSF	Advisory Committee on the Microbiological Safety of Food
ADAS	Agricultural Development Service
AGQ	Advisory Group on Quarantine
AHDA	Animal Health Distributors' Association
AHDO	Animal Health Divisional Officer
AHO	Animal Health Office
AHT	Animal Health Trust
AHVG	Animal Health & Veterinary Group
APGAW	Associate Parliamentary Group for Animal Welfare
AMDUCA	Animal Medicines Drug Use Clarification Act (USA)
AMELIA 8	VMD Guidance Note on The Medicines (Restrictions on the Administration of Veterinary Medicinal Products) Regulations 1994
AMTRA	Animal Medicines Training And Regulatory Authority
ASPA	Animals (Scientific Procedures) Act
ASVO*	Association of State Veterinary Officers
AVA	Australian Veterinary Association/Association of Veterinary Anaesthetists
AVI*	Association of Veterinarians in Industry
AVMA	American Veterinary Medical Association
AVS*	Association of Veterinary Students
AVTRW*	Association of Veterinary Teachers and Research Workers
AWF	Animal Welfare Foundation
AWSELVA	Animal Welfare, Science, Ethics & Law Veterinary Association

## B

BAHVS	British Association of Homeopathic Veterinary Surgeons
BAVA	British Association of Veterinary Acupuncturists
BCMS	British Cattle Movement Service
BCVA*	British Cattle Veterinary Association
BDFA	British Deer Farmers' Association
BEVA*	British Equine Veterinary Association
BHVMA	British Holistic Veterinary Medicine Association
BMA	British Medical Association
BMMA	British Meat Manufacturers' Association
BSAS	British Society of Animal Science
BSAVA*	British Small Animal Veterinary Association
BVDA	British Veterinary Dental Association
BVHA*	British Veterinary Hospitals Association
BVNA	British Veterinary Nursing Association
BVPA*	British Veterinary Poultry Association
BVZS*	British Veterinary Zoological Society

## C

CAWC	Companion Animal Welfare Council
CHeCS	Cattle Health Certification Standards Body
CITES	Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species(of wild flora & fauna)
CIWF	Compassion in World Farming
COMISA	Confédération Mondiale de l'Industrie de la Sante Animale,representative body of the worldwide animal health industry
CPD	Continuing Professional Development
CVA	Commonwealth Veterinary Association
CVM	Centre for Veterinary Medicine (of FDA)

CVMP Committee for Veterinary Medicinal Products (part of EMEA)  
CVO Chief Veterinary Officer

## D

DARDNI Department of Agriculture and Rural Development for Northern Ireland  
DEFRA Department for Environment Food and Rural Affairs  
DETR Department of the Environment, Transport and the Regions  
DG III etc Directorate General III (etc) of EC  
DVM Divisional Veterinary Manager

## E

EFTA European Free Trade Association  
ELDU Extra-label Drug Use  
EMA European Medicines Evaluation Agency

## F

FAB Feline Advisory Bureau  
FABBL Farm Assured British Beef & Livestock  
FAC Food Advisory Committee  
FAG Food Animal Group  
FAO Food and Agriculture Organisation  
FARAD Food Animal Residue Avoidance Databank  
FAWC Farm Animal Welfare Council  
FAWL Farm Assured Welsh Lamb  
FDA Food and Drug Administration  
FEDESA Fédération Européenne de la Santé Animale  
FEEVA Federation of European Equine Veterinary Associations  
FSA Food Standards Agency  
FVE Federation of Veterinarians of Europe  
FVS Fish Veterinary Society  
(g)FARAD(Global) Food Animal Residue Avoidance Databank

## G

GCCF General Council of the Cat Fancy  
GSL General Sales List Medicines  
GVS \* Goat Veterinary Society

## H

HACCP Hazard Analysis Critical Control Points  
HHP Herd Health Plan  
HIVSS Highlands & Islands Veterinary Services Scheme  
HAS Humane Slaughter Association  
HSE Health & Safety Executive

## I

IAH Institute of Animal Health  
IATA International Air Transport Association  
ICH International Co-operation on Harmonisation (of Technical Requirements for the Registration of Veterinary Medicinal Products)

**J**

JFSSG Joint Food Safety and Standards Group (FSA predecessor)  
JMAFF Japanese Ministry of Agriculture, Farming and Fisheries

**K**

KC Kennel Club

**L**

LAVA\* Laboratory Animals Veterinary Association  
LVI Local Veterinary Inspector

**M**

MBM Meat & Bone-meal  
MCA Medicines Control Agency  
MC Medicines Commission  
MFSs Medicated Feedingstuffs Prescriptions (previously VWD – Veterinary Written Direction)  
MHS Meat Hygiene Service  
MLC Meat & Livestock Commission  
MMC Monopolies & Mergers Commission  
MRLs Maximum Residue Limits  
MRSA Methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus  
MRM Mechanically Recovered Meat  
MMSC Medicines Select Committee  
MSG Members' Services Group  
MUMS Minor Uses - Minor Species

**N**

NAG Nominations and Awards Group  
NCDL National Canine Defence League  
NDFAS National Dairy Farm Assurance Scheme  
NFU National Farmers' Union  
NOAH National Office of Animal Health Ltd  
NPA National Pharmaceutical Association  
NPU Neuropathogenesis Unit  
NPW National Pet Week

**O**

OFT Office of Fair Trading  
OIE Office International des Epizooties  
OVS Official Veterinary Surgeon

**P**

PAC Pet Advisory Council  
P Pharmacy Only Medicines  
PDSA People's Dispensary for Sick Animals  
PHC Pet Health Council  
PHLS Public Health Laboratories Service  
PML Pharmacy and Merchants List Medicines  
PMLG Practitioners Medicines Liaison Group  
POMs Prescription Only Medicines  
PVS\* Pig Veterinary Society

## Q

QA	Quarantine Association
QUAFF	Quarantine Abolition Fighting Fund
QKOA	Quarantine Kennel Owners' Association
QMLA	Quality Meat & Livestock Alliance

## R

RAVC*	Royal Army Veterinary Corps
RCVS	Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons
RPSGB	Royal Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain
RSPCA	Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals
RUMA	Responsible Use of Medicines in Agriculture Alliance
RVC	Royal Veterinary College (London)

## S

SAC	Scottish Agricultural College
SARSS	Suspect Adverse Reactions Surveillance Scheme (by the VMD)
SBO	Specified Bovine Offal
SEAC	Spongiform Encephalopathies Advisory Committee
SGV*	Society of Greyhound Veterinarians
SPVS*	Society of Practising Veterinary Surgeons
SQABL	Scottish Quality Assured Beef & Lamb
SRM	Specified Risk Material
SSAB*	Society for the Study of Animal Breeding
SVC	Standing Veterinary Committee
SVO	State Veterinary Officer
SVS*	Sheep Veterinary SocietySVS State Veterinary Service

## T

TSE	Transmissible Spongiform Encephalopathies
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## U

UEVP	Union of European Veterinary Practitioners (Division of FVE)
UFAW	Universities Federation for Animal Welfare
UKAS	UK Accreditation Scheme
UKASTA	UK Agricultural Supply Trade Association
UKXIRA	UK Xenotransplantation Interim Regulatory Authority
UKROFS	UK Register of Organic Food Standards
USDA	US Department of Agriculture

## V

VBF	Veterinary Benevolent Fund
VDS*	Veterinary Deer Society
VDS	Veterinary Defence Society
VHL	Vet Helpline
VIC	Veterinary Investigation Centre
VICH	Veterinary International Co-operation on Harmonisation (of Technical Requirements for the Registration of Veterinary Medicinal Products)
VLA	Veterinary Laboratories Agency (previously CVL)
VMD	Veterinary Medicines Directorate
VMPs	Veterinary Medicinal Products

VMRFG	Veterinary Mutual Recognition Facilitation Group
VPC	Veterinary Products Committee
VPG	Veterinary Policy Group
VPHA*	Veterinary Public Health Association
VPMA	Veterinary Practice Management Association
VSHSP	Veterinary Surgeons Health Support Programme

**W**

WATO	Welfare of Animals Transport Order
WHO	World Health Organisation
WVA	World Veterinary Association

\* denotes BVA division

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