

E-PIL

PILOT PROJECT

120+ MEDICINAL PRODUCTS INCLUDED

BE&LUX

HOSPITAL USE ONLY

84 MONTHS

WHAT

1 →

Medicinal products switch from paper Patient Information Leaflet (PIL) to **Electronic Patient Information Leaflet (e-PIL)**.

WHY

2 →

To demonstrate that the **e-PIL is equivalent to the paper PIL** in providing information on safe and effective use of the medicines to the patients and healthcare professionals (HCPs) in hospital setting.

WHERE

3 →

In the **Belgium and Luxembourg** market, products with a restricted use in hospital.

HOW

4 →

The e-PIL is available on several **trusted sources online**. The project is supported by the Belgian and Luxembourg Competent Authorities and authorised by the European Commission.

WHEN

5 →

Initially launched on **1 August 2018**, for a 24-month period, the project has been extended until **1 August 2025**.



FROM PAPER

TO ELECTRONIC



EVALUATION OF THE PILOT

① SURVEY FOR HOSPITAL PHARMACISTS TO EVALUATE THE ACCESS, THE USE AND THE READING OF THE E-PIL

BASELINE RESULTS (2018) T=0M

72%

72 % of responding hospital pharmacists consult the PIL on a daily or weekly basis to answer questions of HCPs or for pharmaceutical/prescription validation.

75%

For this purpose, 75 % of hospital pharmacists already consult the e-PIL.

37%

37 % of responding hospital pharmacists are consulted by physicians on a daily, weekly, or monthly basis.

Patients very rarely solicit the hospital pharmacists to receive the PIL.

FINAL RESULTS (2024) T=72M

When responding hospital pharmacists have had to consult the PIL of participating medicines:

97%

97 % consulted the e-PIL version and 3 % printed the leaflet from an online source.

97%

97 % would **agree that the PIL is removed** from the packaging of the medicines restricted to hospital use.

Confirmation that patients **solicit very rarely** the hospital pharmacists to receive the PIL.

100%

100 % declare that the absence of the paper PIL in the packaging has not caused any inconvenience in their daily practice.

Moreover, according to **100 %** of the hospital pharmacists, the absence did not cause any inconvenience to physicians and for **97 %** of the hospital pharmacists, the absence did not cause any inconvenience to nurses.



FINAL RESULTS (2024) T=72M

- ## ➔ CONCLUSION & NEXT STEPS

