

Issue	Date	Submitter	Comment	Response
1	16-Mar	Elaine Wooler	The UK agree that it is necessary to remove concepts representing role from the main product hierarchy. This is a known problem and results in false inheritance.	16-Mar: No response necessary.
2	16-Mar	Elaine Wooler	It is not clear from the proposals as documented exactly which concepts are identified for retirement. Will there be any grouper concepts between the 373873005 Pharmaceutical / biologic product (product) and the Medicinal Entity concepts ? If not this will mean a likely 5000+ children of the concept 373873005 Pharmaceutical / biologic product (product) which will make browsing the hierarchy difficult. Not necessarily a reason not to do it but something to be aware of.	16-Mar: Following inactivation of concepts that represent roles, there will still be grouper concepts in the Product Hierarchy. Existing grouper concepts representing chemical class and mechanism of action will be retained if they can be fully defined. Examples of concepts that are candidates for retirement will be added to Confluence in the very near future.
3	16-Mar	Elaine Wooler	The proposal seems to be to retire these role type concepts and then possibly recreate them at a later date as a separate piece of work. It would create less content churn and reduce the impact on implementers if those concepts that may be re-created at a later stage are retained and relocated within a separate sub hierarchy of products rather than retired and recreated.	16-Mar: The future plan for concepts representing role will not include creation of a subhierarchy within the Product Hierarchy. Because there is a requirement for concepts representing types of roles in addition to product roles in SNOMED CT, the solution will need to be more comprehensive than just product roles. Decisions will also need to be made regarding the inclusion/exclusion of the association between concepts representing products and roles. An approach we are reviewing is the creation of a Role Subhierarchy in the Qualifier value Hierarchy, with Product role as a child of Role . More information will be distributed via Confluence as internal testing is completed and as user requirements are confirmed.
4	16-Mar	Elaine Wooler	The timing of this work relative to the plan to relocate “products with strength” to an separate extension or module is important since some concepts likely to be moved and are children of these grouper concepts. Retirement of the parent role concept would presumably leave them without a stated parent in SCT unless there are plans to provide at least some maintenance of the extension/module. It would be better if this work could be carried out before the creation of the unmaintained extension to reduce this	16-Mar: Further details regarding the plan for concepts with product strength will be distributed via Confluence in the near future. We will provide minimal maintenance for the concepts with product strength on an ongoing basis to ensure that there is a relationship to an active concept in the International Release.

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5	16-Mar	Elaine Wooler	Currently there is some reorganising of grouper concepts in the substance hierarchy we believe that some of the substance concepts have been retired with a SAME_AS relationship being created to a grouper in the product hierarchy. If this replacement concept is also to be retired soon this does not seem like a helpful thing to do.	TBD
6	16-Mar	Camilla Wiberg Danielsen	Have the Drug Products Groups reached an agreement on this? If not should they not before we make any advice from this AG?	16-Mar: Since the primary purpose of the document is to inform stakeholders of upcoming changes to the Product Hierarchy both groups can review and comment at the same time.
7	16-Mar	Camilla Wiberg Danielsen	Kell also mentioned that there is talk about establishing an IHTSDO Pharmacy AG - would this not be the correct place to discuss this first?	16-Mar: There are no plans for creation of a Pharmacy AG. There will be a reinvigoration of the Pharmacy SIG once the current drug project groups come to an end. It is envisaged that the current members of the Drug – Default Model for Extensions will become members of the Pharmacy SIG going forward. As a clinical SIG, the Pharmacy SIG operate under the purview of the Healthcare Professionals Coordination Group.
8	16-Mar	Emma Melhuish	Yes I believe it is necessary to remove concepts representing role from the main product hierarchy. This is a known problem of longstanding that results in false inheritance.	16-Mar: No response necessary.
9	16-Mar	Emma Melhuish	It is not clear from the documents exactly which concepts will be retired. Some examples would be helpful. Will there be any grouper concepts between the 373873005 Pharmaceutical / biologic product (product) and the Medicinal Entity concepts ? If not this will mean a likely 5000+ children of the concept 373873005 Pharmaceutical / biologic product (product) which will make browsing the hierarchy difficult. Just something to be	16-Mar: Duplicate of Issue #2
10	16-Mar	Emma Melhuish	Rather than to retire all of the grouper concepts now and then possibly recreate at some point in the future it would be better for those who use this content if the useful concepts could be moved out of the main product hierarchy but retained as current.	16-Mar: Duplicate of Issue #3

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11	16-Mar	Emma Melhuish	If this work could be carried out along side the work to review the products with strength and move them to a separate model that would be preferable. Otherwise it is possible some of the concept with strength will find themselves without parent concepts.	16-Mar: Duplicate of Issue #4
12	16-Mar	Linda Parisien	Can we be provided with couple of examples of concepts that are in scope for this proposal?	16-Mar: Examples of concepts that are candidates for retirement will be added to Confluence in the very near future.