

GERPAC discussion forum user rules

Article 1

The GERPAC discussion forum is for the exclusive use of members of the GERPAC association (Group of Evaluation and Research for Protection in Areas under Control) in compliance with the regulations of the association. Active members are those who are up to date with their subscriptions and are individuals (“natural persons”) working in a health institution, university or other higher education establishment or administration having an interest in the object of the association.

Article 2

Registration on the forum is individual, in the member's name and non transferable to any third party. The use of pseudonyms or avatars is not allowed.

Registration and contribution to the GERPAC forum in the form of a message posted on the forum implies that the user has read and accepted all the rules governing the use of the forum presented herein.

The data submitted will only be used to facilitate discussion on the GERPAC forum. The management of personal data is set out in the privacy policy which can be consulted on the website <http://gerpac.net/platform> in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation No 2016/679 of 27 April 2016, which became applicable in the European Union on 25 May 2018.

Article 3

Right of access to the forum is individual and cannot be transferred to any third party. Should any such transfer of right of access to a third party be identified by the administrator or moderators of the forum the user will be excluded indefinitely.

Article 4

The forum is exclusively devoted to professional and scientific discussion within the scope of the GERPAC association, i.e. pharmaceutical technology in hospital pharmacy and associated subjects. Topics considered by the moderators to be inappropriate with regard to the objects and scope of GERPAC will be deleted without prior warning or justification from the site administrator.

Article 5

Every message should bear the sender's name in clear; pseudonyms and avatars are forbidden.

Messages must have a “subject”, i.e. the subject field must indicate the subject addressed by the message.

Messages must be written in one of GERPAC's official languages, French and English. Replies to messages must be written in the same language as the initial message which started the thread. It is recommended that French-speakers who wish to initiate a discussion on issues of international scope should send the same question in French and English so that English-speaking members can join the discussion. Abbreviations and acronyms should be avoided to facilitate understanding and discussions involving members from different countries. Simplified “texting” language (“textese” or “text-speak”) is not permitted. Similarly it is recommended that messages use INNs rather than proprietary brand names.

Article 6

This forum is post-moderated: messages sent by users are directly posted without any prior verification. It is the user's responsibility to ensure that messages respect others and are consistent with current rules and regulations. Members of GERPAC's Board and forum moderators reserve the right to delete any message which they may consider inappropriate, in breach of laws and regulations or the rules in this document or likely to be directly or indirectly harmful to others.

Messages which are not connected with the topics or objects of the GERPAC forum may be deleted without prior warning by the moderators. Any messages which:

1. encourage discrimination on the grounds of race, sex/gender or religion, or incite hatred, violence, racism or revisionism,

2. encourage criminal behaviour,
3. are contrary to public order and good morals,
4. promote crime or other illegal activity and particularly murder, rape, war crimes and crimes against humanity,
5. are defamatory, slanderous, libelous, insulting or obscene,
6. manifestly violate other people's rights and particularly violate other people's honour or reputation,
7. are connected to a manifestly commercial interest or have a promotional purpose unconnected with the scope of the forum

will also be deleted, without prejudice to any possible disciplinary or legal action.

Article 7

Responses to messages are provided by other members and therefore there is no guarantee of a response and no timeframe for a response can be demanded.

Article 8

The GERPAC association reserves the right to temporarily or permanently ban from the forum any user whose messages are in breach of the rules laid out herein.

The GERPAC association may communicate to the police or legal authorities any item or document posted on the forum if it has reason to believe that it has a duty to inform the competent authorities or that it is a legal obligation to do so.

Article 9

Small (less than 2MB) attachments, preferably in pdf format, may be sent in order to enrich the discussion.

Article 10

The GERPAC association may not be held responsible for the content of the discussions (messages or attachments) or for any possible consequences of their use by other members of the forum, such consequences being the sole responsibility of the sender of the message.

The GERPAC association accepts no responsibility for the quality or legality of any content of any kind (text, audio, graphics, photographs or any other format) which are freely produced by members of the forum.

Users are solely responsible for the information, messages, images and in general any content that they distribute via the forum.

Article 11

Any response or answer to questions, any opinion, any pharmaceutical and/or scientific claim must be verified by the author of a message before sending it and should therefore be as far as the sender can ascertain true and accurate. All users are invited to indicate sources and evidence considered reliable by the pharmaceutical and/or scientific community (references, scientific publications, conference papers, guidelines, monographs etc ...) if they are not the fruit of the sender's own personal experience.

Article 12

The GERPAC association reserves the right to close the forum at any time if it considers that it is harmful to its interests. Any such closure would require no explanation from GERPAC and would imply no right to challenge or appeal.

By using the GERPAC forum you agree to respect the general terms and conditions of use and browsing defined in the rules for users.