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1 UPDATE

This public deliverable at Month 12 was proposed by the original WP7 coordinator Dr Eddie Blaire. This target clearly became unattainable due to two unexpected WP leadership changes within the first 8 months of the project. Although the new team has made significant progress in reviewing regulatory issues relating to the R&D of TCM products (see D7.3 and D7.4), the bulk of the work is evolving positively. Thus, it was agreed with the Coordinating Office that Month 30 would be a realistic timeframe to submit the agreed guidelines for publication, so as to ensure its quality and impact.

The reasons for supporting the postponement are:

- (i) Dr. Blaire quitted the WP leadership at the onset of the consortium due to unexpected job changes;
- (ii) Prof Kelvin Chan took up the leadership in June 2009, but left University of Wolverhampton in December 2009, to lead the TCM programmes of two universities in Sydney, Australia;
- (iii) The whole GP-TCM consortium has planned to publish all agreed core reports in the form of a Special Issue of the *Journal of Ethnopharmacology* (the journal with the highest IF in the field of ethnopharmacology), to be published before the GP-TCM Final meeting in 2012. Putting all reports together, we can expect a bigger impact and a better dissemination, through both the journal and the conference channels.