

National Institute for Health and Care Excellence

Low Back Pain (update)

Stakeholder Comments – Draft Scope

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Stakeholder organisation:		British Pharmacological Society (BPS)
Name of commentator:		<u>Ruth Meyer (Publications & Policy Manager, on behalf of the BPS)</u>
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1	4.3.1 c)	Members of BPS have raised concern regarding the use of analgesic drugs in the long term treatment of pain. BPS would therefore welcome an assessment of which analgesics should be used, in which order and at what doses.
2	4.3.1 d)	Members of BPS do not believe there is robust evidence of efficacy for acupuncture or chiropractic in the management of back pain. However, this should be considered in scope for discussion for the Guideline Development Group (GDG) to allow the GDG to assess the quality of the available evidence.
3	General	BPS would recommend that NICE ensure a clinical pharmacologist is included in the GDG in order to provide the necessary expertise on analgesics.
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