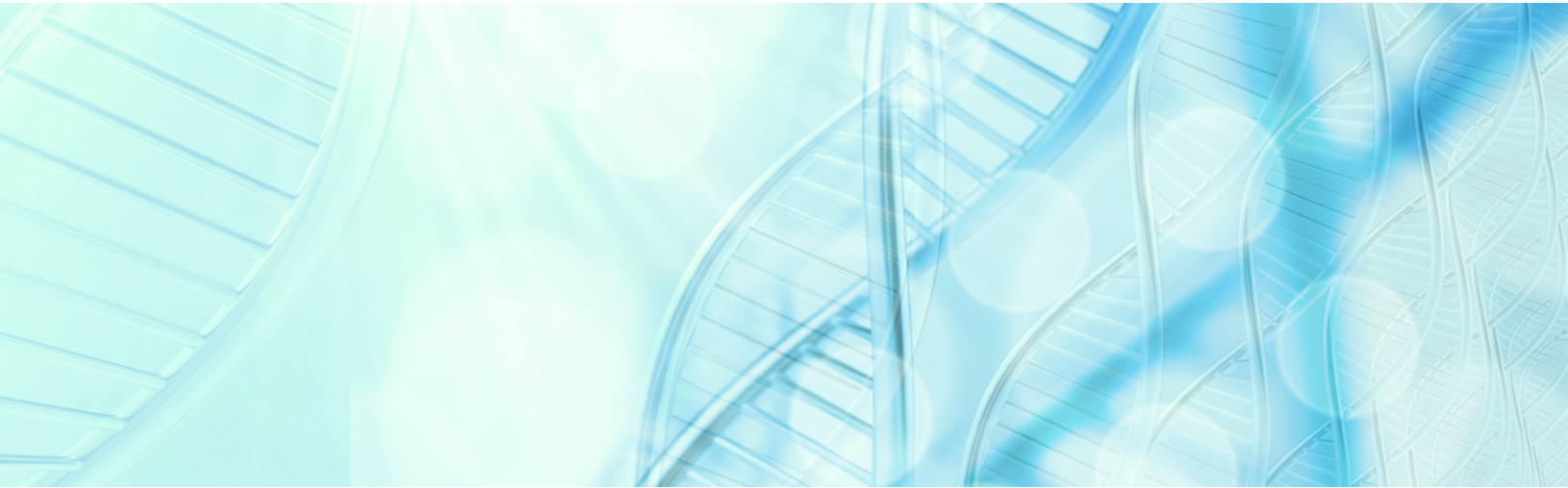


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### Mexico- Regulations for cannabis-based drugs under review.

In compliance to an order by the Mexican Supreme Court, the Ministry of Health has prepared a draft of regulations, currently under review before the National Commission for Regulatory Improvement. We are expecting for these regulations to be enacted in the coming months.

As main highlights, we can point to the following:

- » The regulations are intended to oversee the following actions i) Primary cannabis production, for industrial purposes, raw materials for research, and seed, ii) Health related research, iii) Agricultural research, iv) industrial purposes, for medical use, and, v) medical purposes.
- » A specific section is included, explaining how research protocols can be approved.
- » Growing permits will be granted by SENASICA (the National Service for agricultural quality) and seeds will be certified by SNICS (the National Service for Seed Certification).
- » The regulations include a section on record of Plant Varieties.
- » Prescription of cannabis based drugs will only be allowed to Physicians, Homeopathic Doctors and Dentists
- » There are chapters on requirements for import and export of raw materials and finished goods.

From an initial review, this draft has severe limitations upon comparison with the law it intends to regulate; specifically, it does not allow for broad uses of products with CBD, containing low amounts of THC.

Our team will closely follow up on the process of approval of this draft, and the eventual publication of the regulations in the Official Gazette.

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