Basic information	
1997/0146(COD) COD - Ordinary legislative procedure (ex-codecision procedure) Decision	Procedure completed
Public health: Community action programme 1999-2003 concerning rare diseases **Subject** 4.20.01 Medicine, diseases	

Key events			
Date	**Event**	**Reference**	**Summary**
26/05/1997	Legislative proposal published	COM(1997)0225	Summary
05/06/1997	Debate in Council		
09/06/1997	Committee referral announced in Parliament, 1st reading		
04/12/1997	Debate in Council		
25/02/1998	Vote in committee, 1st reading		Summary
25/02/1998	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading	A4-0074/1998	
10/03/1998	Debate in Parliament		Summary
15/04/1998	Modified legislative proposal published	COM(1998)0232	Summary
30/04/1998	Council position published	06492/1/1998	Summary
18/06/1998	Committee referral announced in Parliament, 2nd reading		
23/09/1998	Vote in committee, 2nd reading		Summary
23/09/1998	Committee recommendation tabled for plenary, 2nd reading	A4-0336/1998	
07/10/1998	Debate in Parliament		
17/12/1998	Parliament's amendments rejected by Council		
04/02/1999	Formal meeting of Conciliation Committee		
04/02/1999	Final decision by Conciliation Committee		Summary
10/03/1999	Joint text approved by Conciliation Committee co-chairs	3602/1999	
25/03/1999	Report tabled for plenary, 3rd reading	A4-0166/1999	
13/04/1999	Debate in Parliament		
22/04/1999	Decision by Council, 3rd reading		
29/04/1999	Final act signed		
29/04/1999	End of procedure in Parliament		
22/06/1999	Final act published in Official Journal		