FOI 23/870

Dear

Thank you for your request of 08 November 2023, under the Freedom of Information Act. You requested:

Thiamine injection

We understand that there is no approved MA in UK. We are also aware that it is being imported in UK on named patient basis.

We request to share how much volume was imported in UK in last three years.

We confirm that we do not hold the information you have requested. As part of the notifications we receive to import unlicensed medicines (in accordance with this guidance), we will issue an objection, or a non-objection after reviewing the application that is submitted to us. However, we do not follow up with importers – nor is there a requirement on them - to confirm the exact volume that they subsequently import; they may import less than notified or may not subsequently import at all. For this reason, we cannot confirm how much has been imported. However, if you would like us to review the amount for which we have not objected to import, then please let us know by reply and we will process that as a new request for you.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date you receive this response and addressed to: info@mhra.gov.uk

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you were to remain dissatisfied with the outcome of the internal review, you would have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Please bear in mind that the Information Commissioner will not normally review our handling of your request unless you have first contacted us to conduct an internal review. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF

Or online via: https://ico.org.uk/make-a-complaint/foi-and-eir-complaints/foi-and-eir-complaints/

Yours sincerely

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