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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your Freedom of Information (FOI) request received on 22 April 2026. You wrote:

*I would like to make a FOI request regarding the number of international recognition procedure (IRP) assessments the MHRA have completed for each separate non-EU reference regulator country since the IRP was introduced:*

<i>Australia</i>	<i>Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA)</i>
<i>Canada</i>	<i>Health Canada</i>
<i>Switzerland</i>	<i>SwissMedic</i>
<i>Singapore</i>	<i>Health Science Authority Singapore (HSA)</i>
<i>Japan</i>	<i>Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices Agency (PMDA)</i>
<i>United States</i>	<i>Food and Drug Administration (FDA)</i>

**MHRA Response**

Please see below the number of application assessments completed by MHRA that were submitted through the International Recognition Procedure (IRP) as of the end of April 2026, by the reference regulator country. Please note that these are numbers of lead cases and do not include any additional applications in a collection, for example, for additional strengths of forms.

Australia	Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA) - 4
Canada	Health Canada - 13
Switzerland	SwissMedic - 0
Singapore	Health Science Authority Singapore (HSA) - 0
Japan	Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices Agency (PMDA) - 0
United States	Food and Drug Administration (FDA) - 6

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact us quoting the reference number above.

Yours sincerely,

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