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Dear [REDACTED]

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

Dear MHRA,

I am writing to request information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 relating to notifications of intent to import selected unlicensed medicinal products into the United Kingdom.

For the period 1 January 2025 to the most recent date for which data are available, please provide information held by the MHRA relating to notifications to import the following substances:

- * Testosterone cypionate
- * Testosterone enanthate
- * Testosterone – other formulations
- * Human chorionic gonadotrophin (hCG / chorionic gonadotrophin)
- * Enclomifene / enclomiphene
- * Sermorelin
- * Tesamorelin
- * Ipamorelin
- * CJC-1295
- * BPC-157
- * Glutathione
- * NAD / NAD+ / nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide
- * Levocarnitine / L-carnitine

For each notification, where held, I would be grateful if the following fields could be provided:

- * Non-proprietary/generic name (INN/BAN)
- * Proprietary/product name
- * Strength
- * Pharmaceutical form
- * Route of administration
- * Pack size

- * Number of packs notified for import
- * Country of manufacture
- * Country from which the product was supplied/imported
- * Manufacturer
- * Importer
- * Importer's WDA(H) or Manufacturer's "Specials" Licence number
- * Date or month/year of notification
- * Whether the MHRA raised no objection, requested further information, or objected to the importation

I would preferably like the information supplied electronically in CSV or Excel format.

If any individual field cannot be disclosed because an exemption applies, I would be grateful if you could provide the remaining non-exempt fields rather than refusing the request in its entirety.

If providing notification-level data would exceed the appropriate cost limit under section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act, I would instead be grateful for aggregated data by substance and calendar year, including, where held:

- * Number of import notifications
- * Total number of packs notified
- * Countries of manufacture
- * Countries of supply
- * Manufacturers
- * Importers

If the request would still exceed the appropriate cost limit, please advise what narrower date range, subset of substances or level of aggregation would allow the request to be fulfilled.

MHRA Response

We can confirm we hold the information requested, but it is exempt from disclosure under Section 12(1) of the FOI Act.

This is because we estimate the cost of searching for and identifying the requested information would exceed the cost limit of £600 specified in the Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees) Regulations 2004. This represents the estimated cost of at least one person spending 3½ working days (equivalent to 24 staff-hours) in determining whether the Agency holds the information, and locating, retrieving and extracting it.

Under Section 12(1) of the FOI Act, the Agency is not therefore obliged to comply with your request and we will not be processing it further. The reason being to provide the information you seek would require us to open every Notification of Intent (NOI) since 01 January 2025 and then manually compile any relevant to your request with the fields you have requested. Based on the number of NOIs submitted to MHRA since 01 January 2025, this would engage Section 12 of the FOI Act.

We suggest that you refine your request to include a smaller set of active substances and also a smaller number of fields.

Please note that other sections of the FOI Act may apply to any refined request, for example, details on the supply chains of individual products are the commercial proprietary information

of individual importers and so would be exempt under Section 41 (information provided in confidence) and Section 43 (commercial interests) of the FOI Act.

To be helpful, we have provided a list below of the total numbers of NOIs processed between 01 January 2025 and 31 July 2026 and total number of importers, by active substance.

Non-proprietary name recorded on MHRA Import Notification System (INS)	Total number of notifications of intent to import (NOIs) processed between 1st January 2025 to 31st July 2026 containing the non-proprietary name	Total number of NOIs that received No Objection between 1st January 2025 to 31st July 2026	Total number of importers
Testosterone cypionate	10,750	6,102	11
Testosterone enanthate	1,173	1,173	1
Testosterone – other formulations	N/A	N/A	N/A
Human Chorionic Gonadotrophin	8,657	6,659	7
hCG	0	0	0
Chorionic gonadotrophin	9,669	8,925	14
Enclomifene	0	0	0
Enclomiphene	0	0	0
Sermorelin	0	0	0
Tesamorelin	0	0	0
Ipamorelin	0	0	0
CJC-1295	0	0	0
BPC-157	0	0	0
Glutathione	482	434	11
NAD	0	0	0
NAD+	0	0	0
Nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide	0	0	0
Levocarnitine	8	8	1
L-carnitine	0	0	0

Please note, in the case of '*Testosterone – other formulations*' we are unable to run a search as we would require specific non-proprietary names. Please also note we are unable to search the system by formulation.

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

Yours sincerely,

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Your right to complain under the Freedom of Information Act

If you are not happy with this response you may request an internal review by e-mailing foi.request@mhra.gov.uk or by writing to: MHRA Central Freedom of Information Team, 10 South, Colonnade, Canary Wharf, London, E14 4PU

Any request for an internal review must be received by us within 40 working days of the date of this letter. Please note we are not obliged to provide a review if it is requested after more than 40 working days.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner's Office for a decision. Generally, the Commissioner cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted our own complaints procedure. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF.

Website: [ICO FOI and EIR complaints](#) or telephone 0303 123 1113.

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