



Comparator Sourcing Organisation

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Little known facts about **Sourcing**
Comparators
from
Emerging Markets with
Confidence

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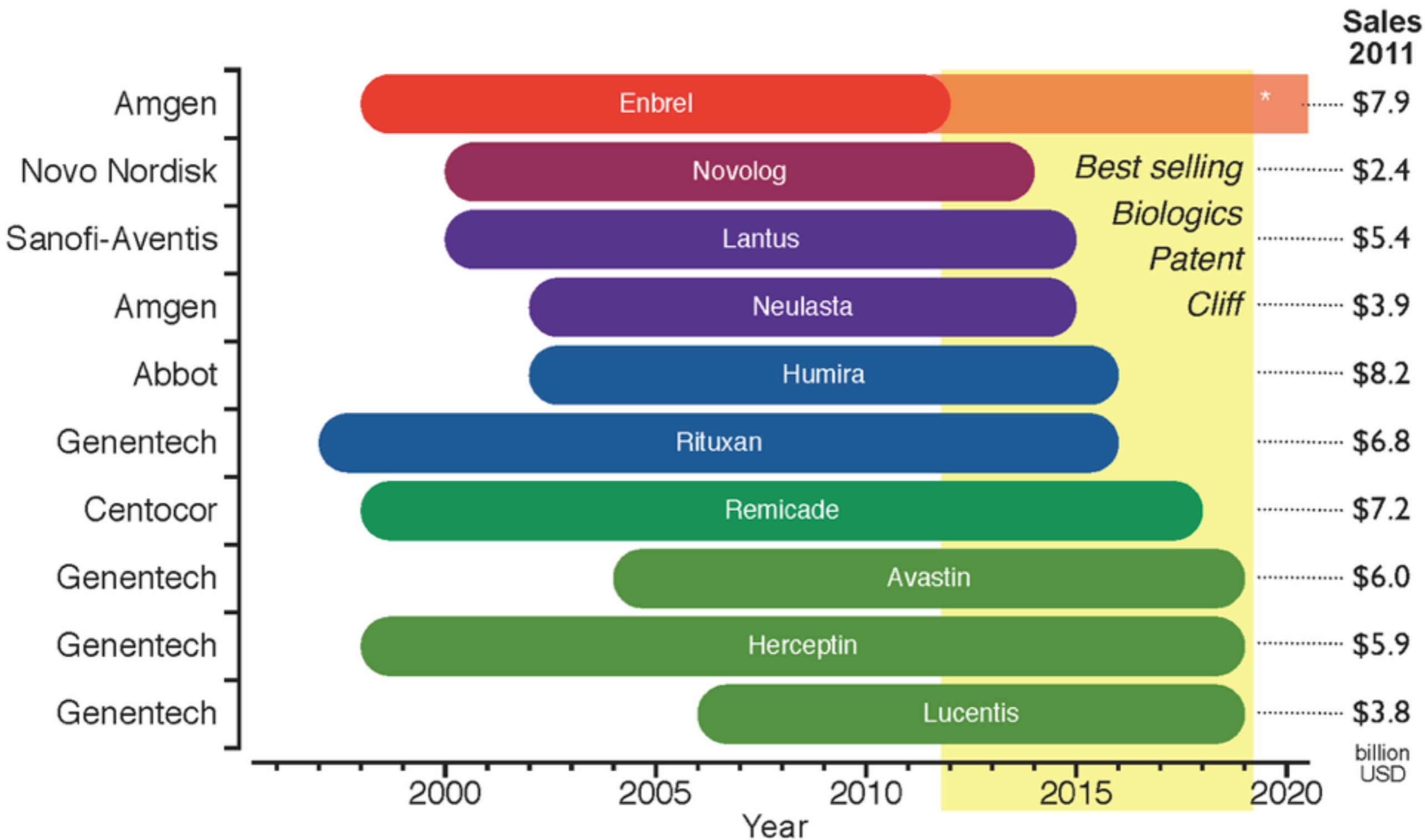
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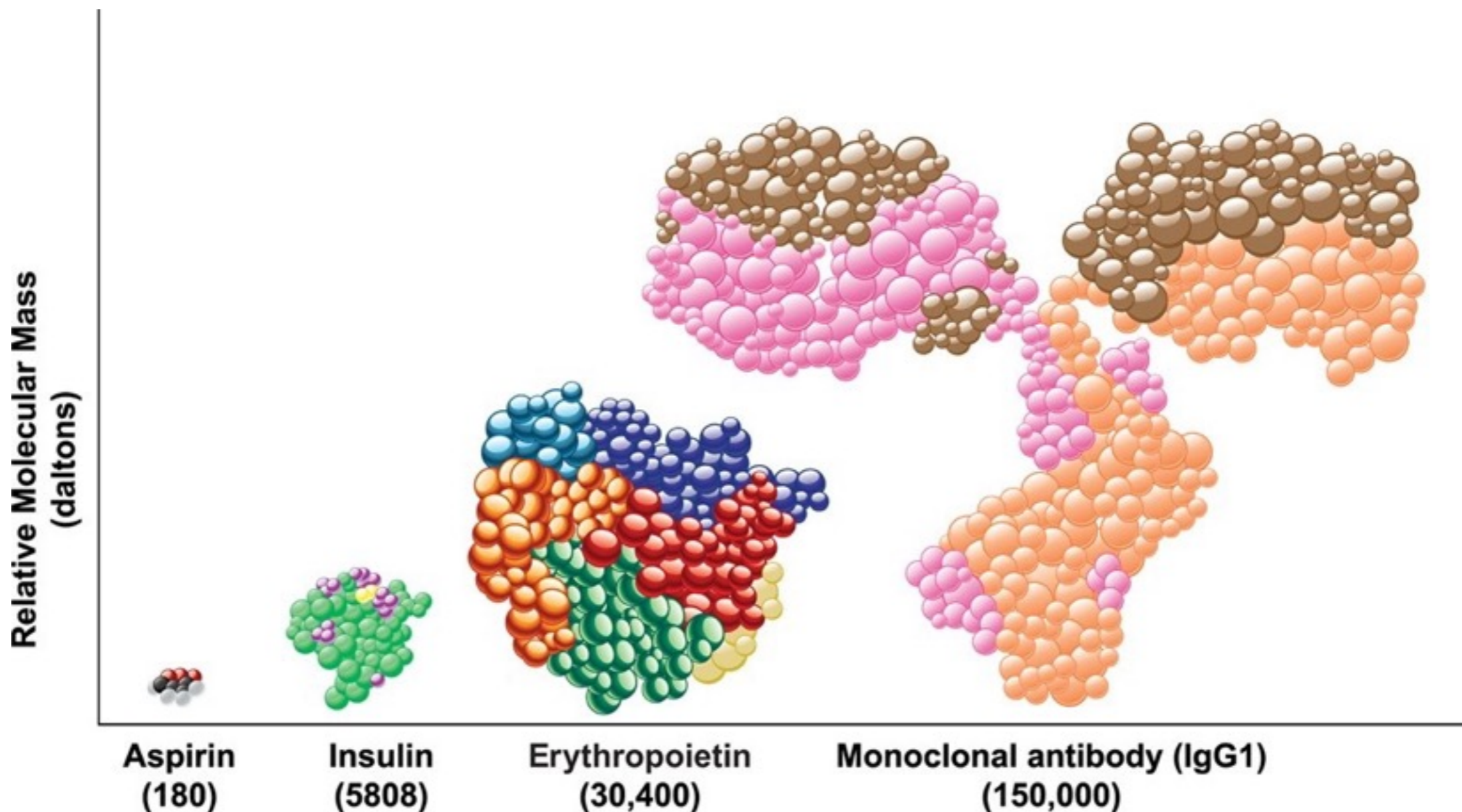
-  Biologic drugs with sales over \$100 billion set to lose patent by 2020.¹
-  Over 3000 companies globally are in the race to develop Biosimilars / Biobetters
-  Over 1300 biosimilars candidates under development
-  The demand for Comparators / RLDs has been estimated at 500,000 units for phase 1 trial through Phase III trials!

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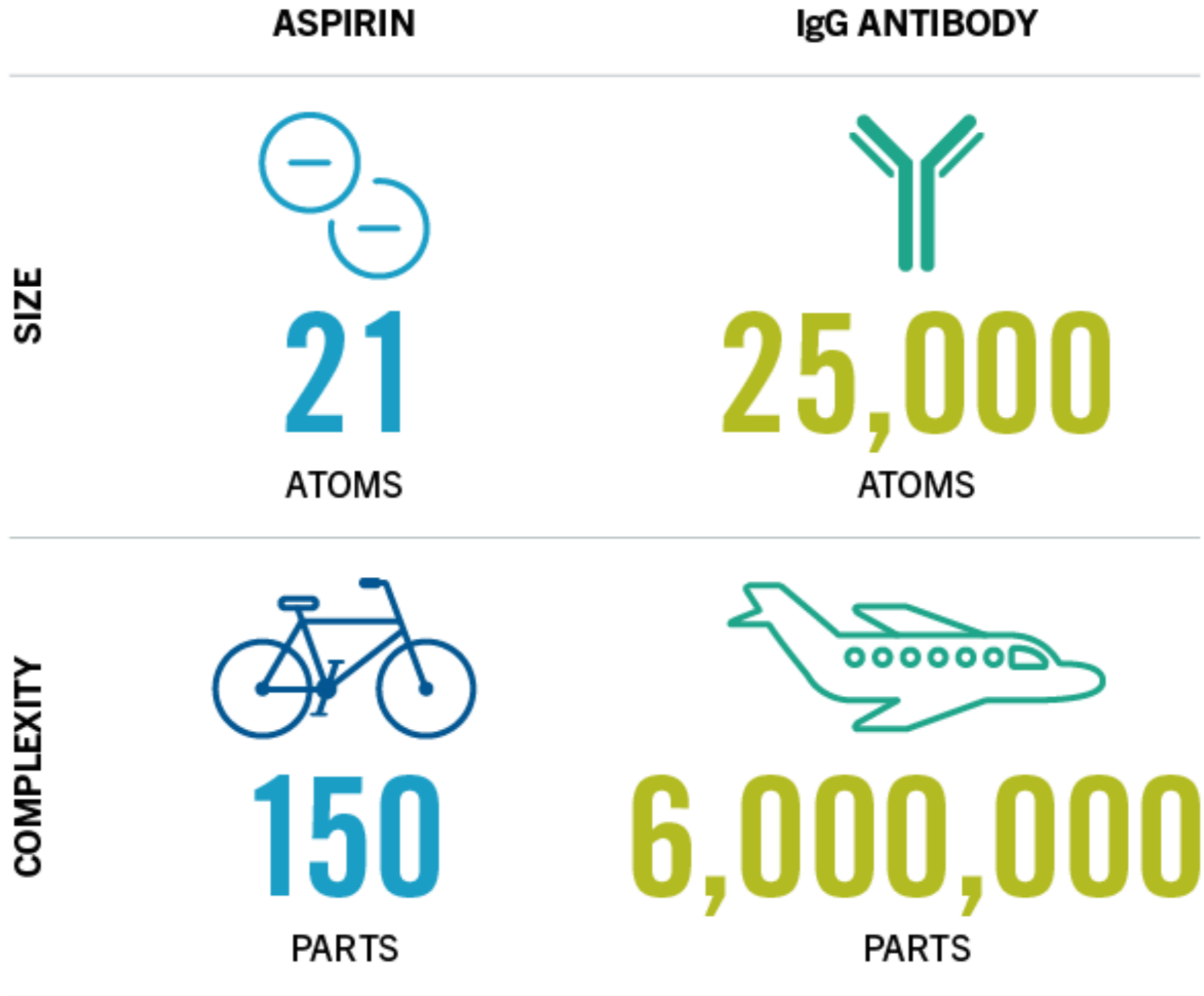
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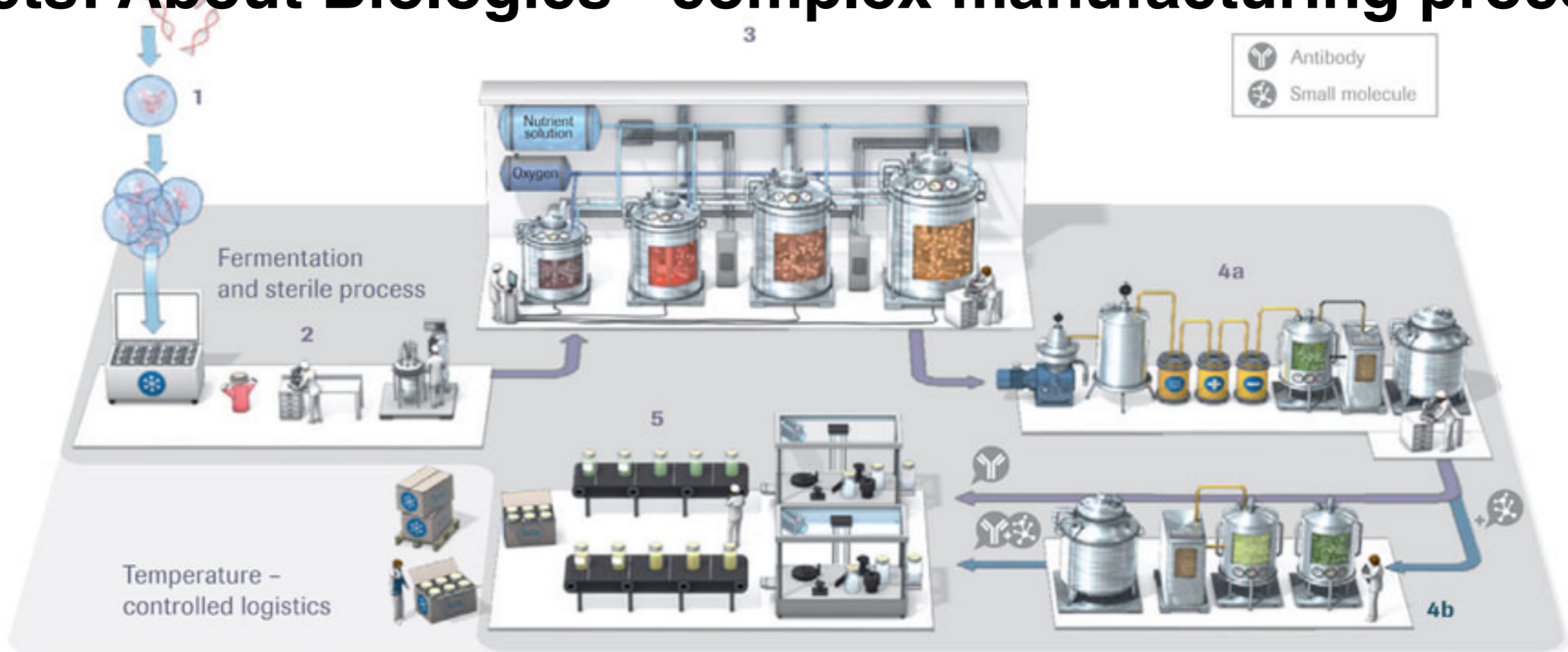
🌐 If Aspirin's molecular mass is 180 daltons, that of a Biologic such as mABs is more than 150,000 daltons



Facts: About Biologics



Facts: About Biologics - complex manufacturing process



1 Cell line

Specific human genes are inserted into bacterial or mammalian cells to create a unique master cell line that yields the target antibody (biologics drug substance). This master cell bank is frozen for storage.

4a Purification

The antibody is separated from the biomass (cells, culture medium and waste products) leading to a pure solution. The centrifugation, purification and concentration steps are specific to each desired antibody.

2 Culture

For production, cells are removed from the master cell bank, cultured in a liquid growth medium and transferred to larger vessels as the cells multiply.

4b Conjugation

Additional steps for antibody-drug conjugates: The antibody is combined with a highly potent small molecule and again purified and concentrated.





3 Fermentation

The cell culture is transferred to progressively larger bioreactors. Special nutrient medium is added. Its unique composition is optimised for each cell line and enables production of the desired antibody.

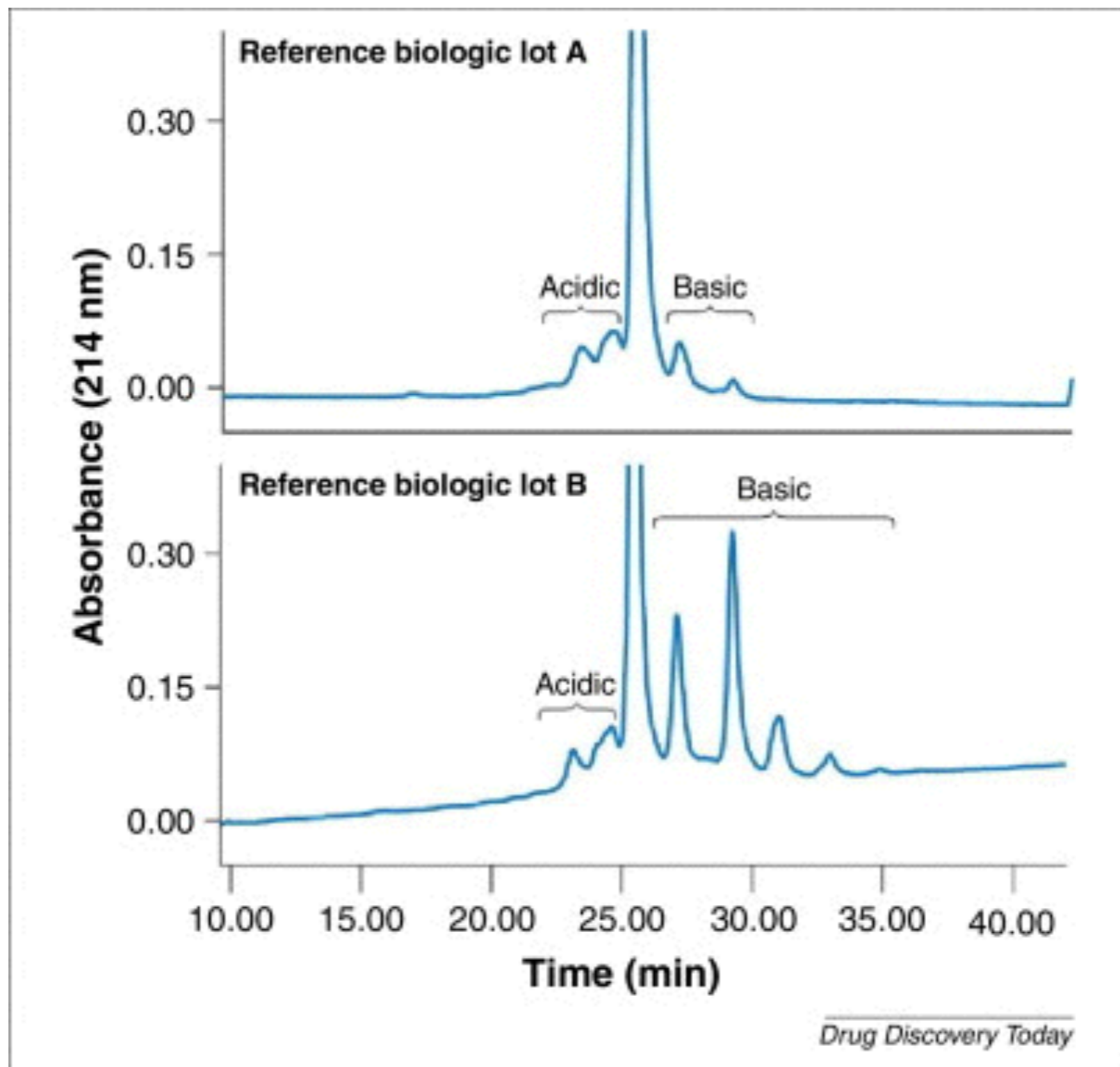
5 Formulation, filling and packaging

The drug substance is formulated into a stable dosage form (sterile liquid or powder), filled into vials or syringes, and packed for shipping.

Facts : Biologic Manufacturing

-  Every Biologic product displays a certain degree of variability even between different batches of the same product.
-  Even minor changes in production process have to be approved by NHAs
-  For example, Genzyme opened a new large plant in an attempt to produce Myozyme (alglucosidase alfa), but the FDA did not consider the product in the new plant to be the same as Myozyme.⁴
-  Instead, Genzyme had to get approval from the FDA through a BLA (Biologic licensing application) for an entirely new biologic, Lumizyme (alglucosidase alfa), which was produced at the new plant. This resulted in a better biologic with new exclusivity.⁵

Facts: Inherent Variability

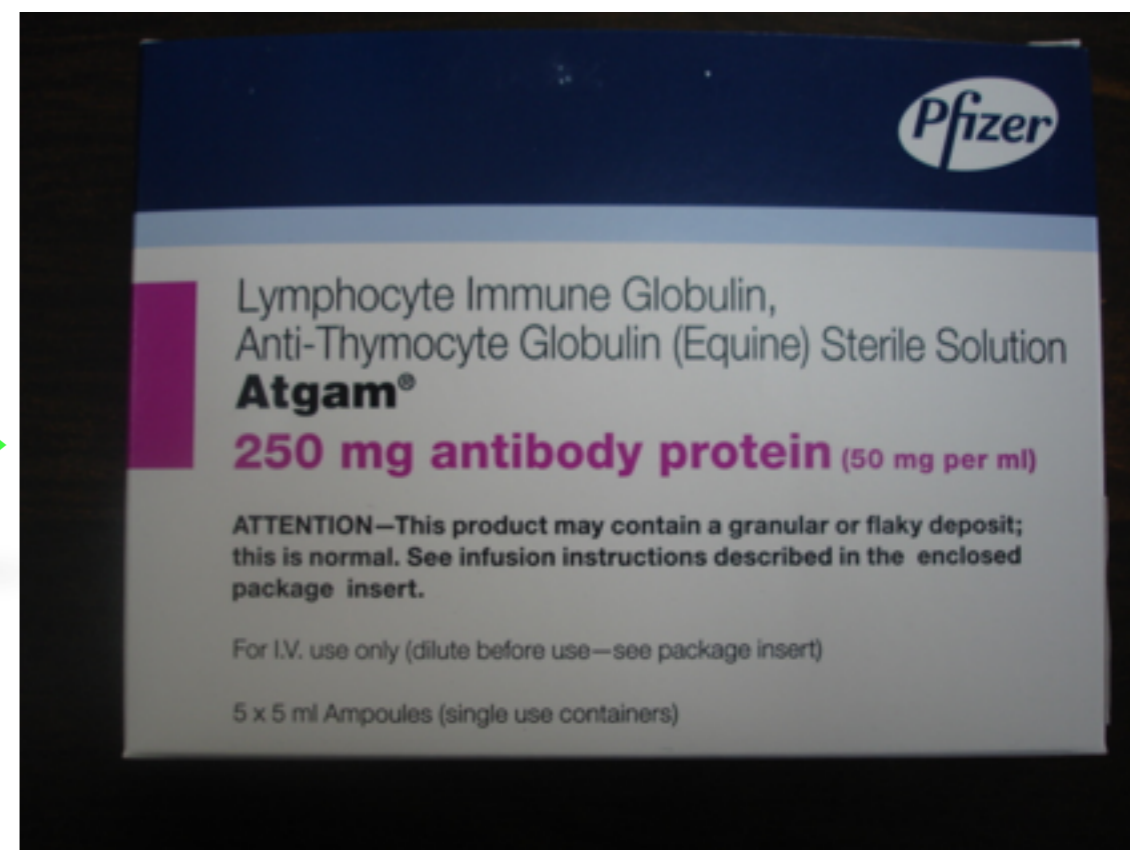
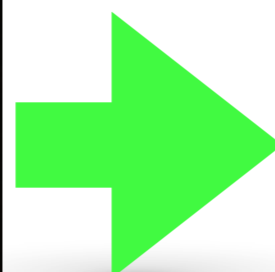


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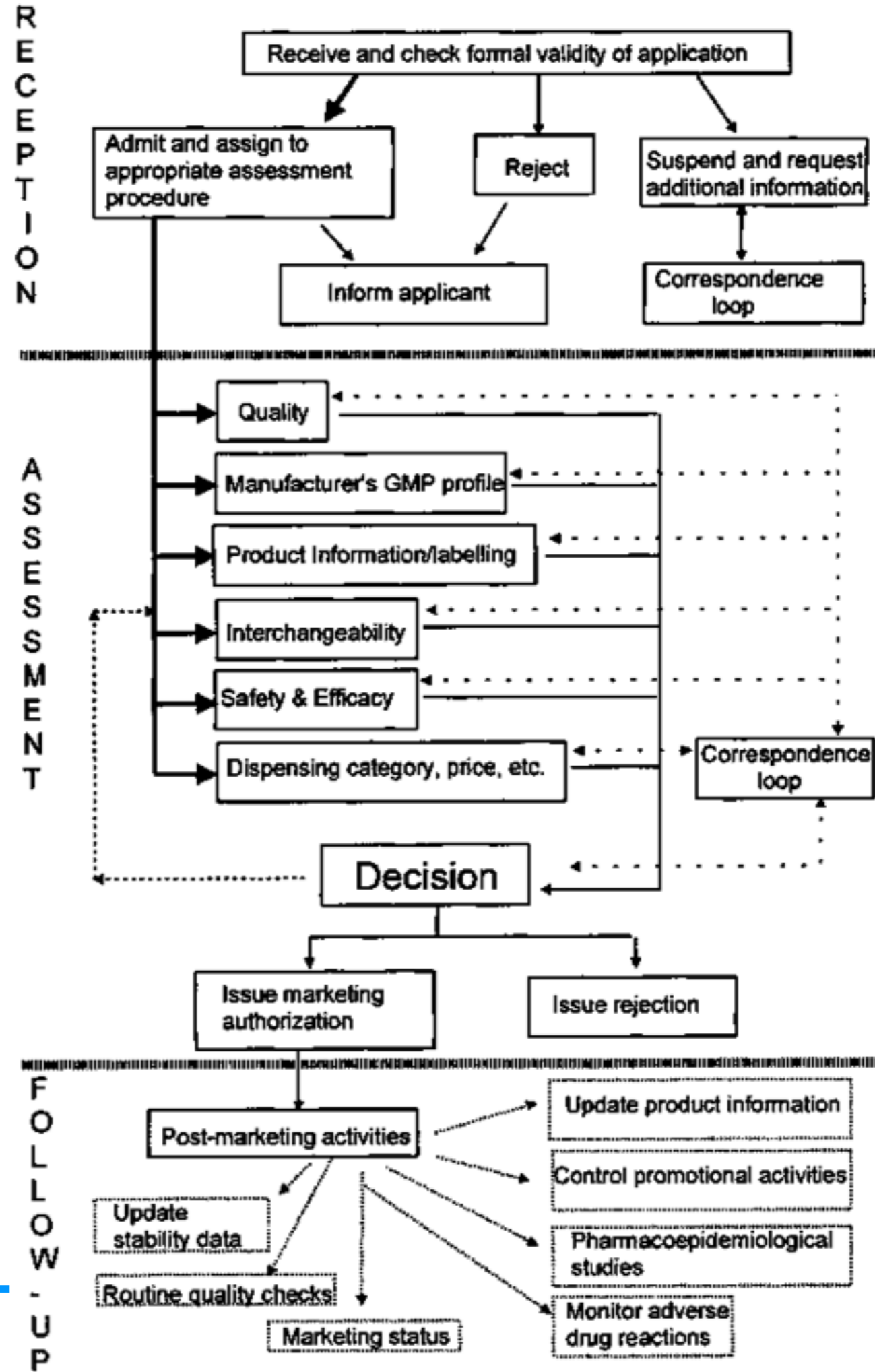
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Global Regulatory Pathway

How does a Biologic travel from SRA to Emerging Market

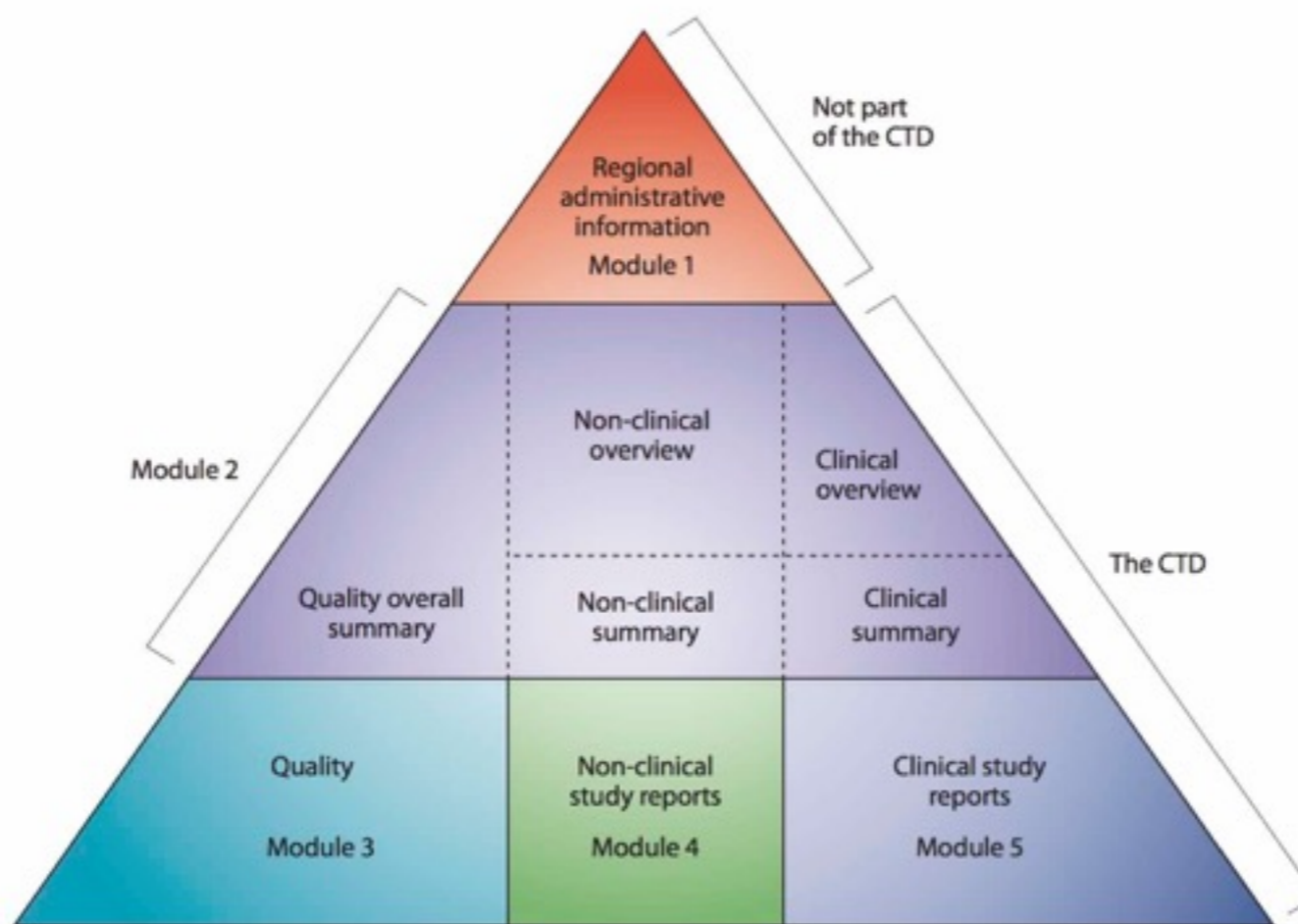


Global Regulatory Pathway



Pathway to Emerging Markets: Product registration

CTD Triangle




The CTD triangle. The Common Technical Document is organized into five modules. Module 1 is region specific and modules 2, 3, 4 and 5 are intended to be common for all regions.

Module 1 - CPP and FSC

Regulatory - Registration

Module 1 - General Information:

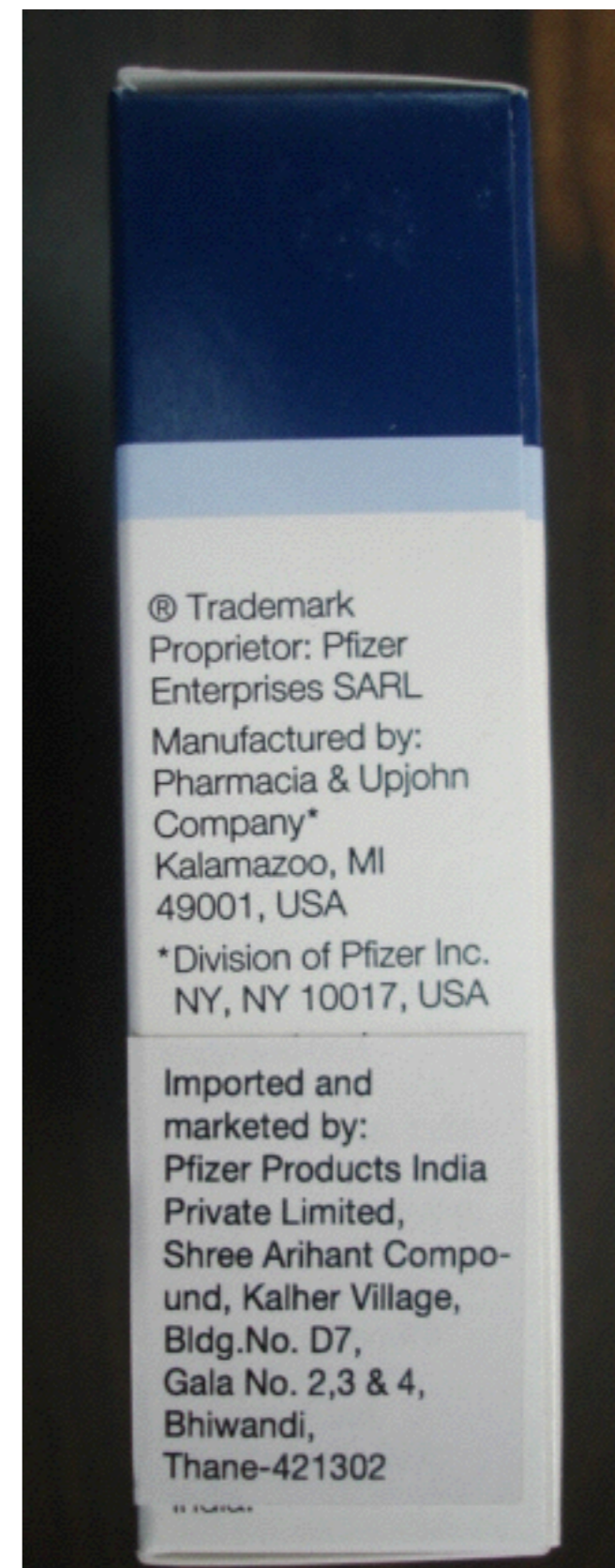
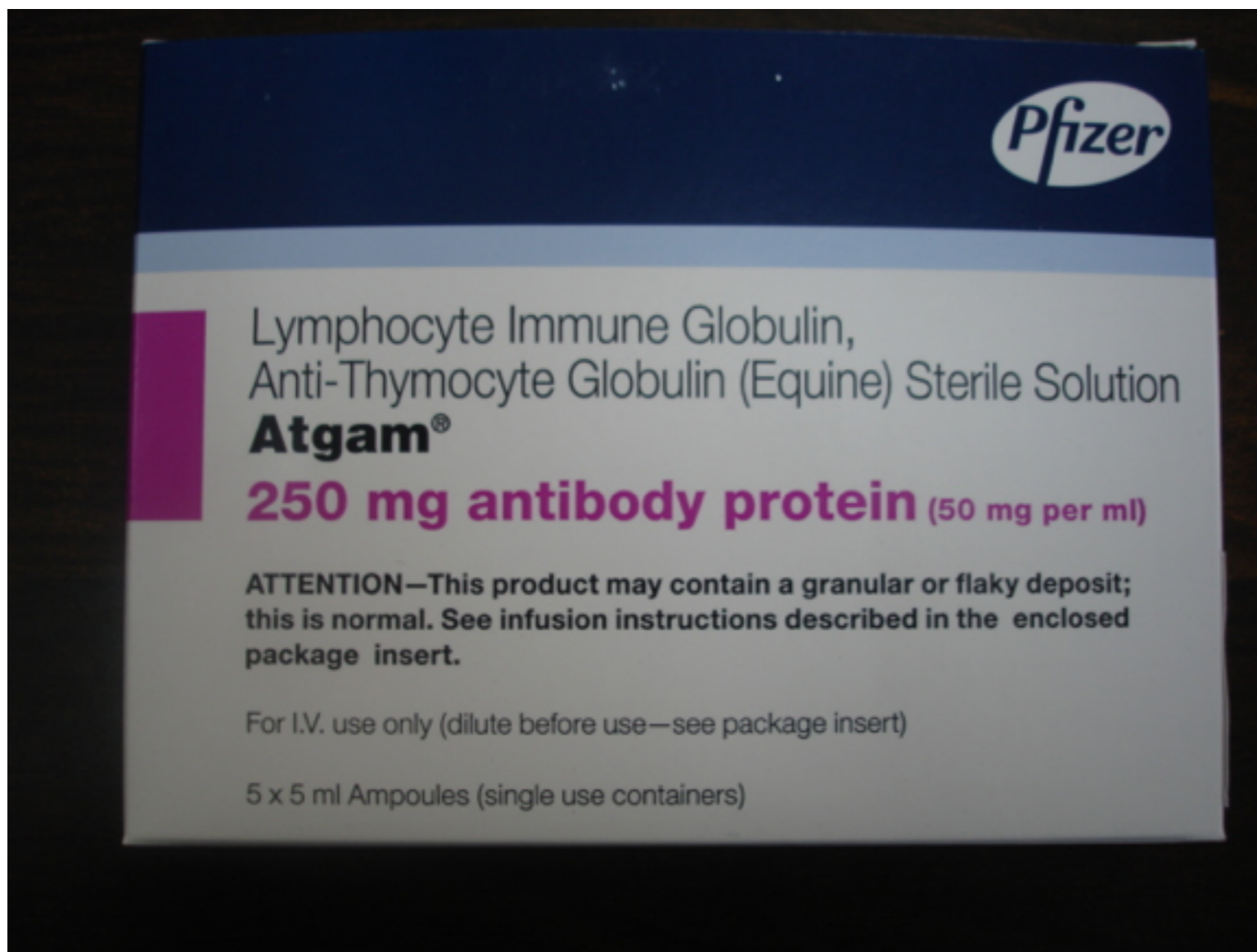
One of the most important requirement of module 1 is CPP (Certificate of Pharmaceutical Origin). CPP is a certificate developed under WHO (World Health Organisation) Certification scheme in 1975 and most recently revised in 1997. Detailed information can be read here : http://www.who.int/medicines/areas/quality_safety/regulation_legislation/certification/guidelines/en/

 CPP requirement as adopted by Indian CDSCO: here : <http://www.cdsc0.nic.in/writereaddata/Guidance%20documents.pdf>. CPP is a mandatory certificate in all CTD dossiers and is taken as a proof of QSE (Quality, Safety and Efficacy) of the product and also as an evidence of GMP.

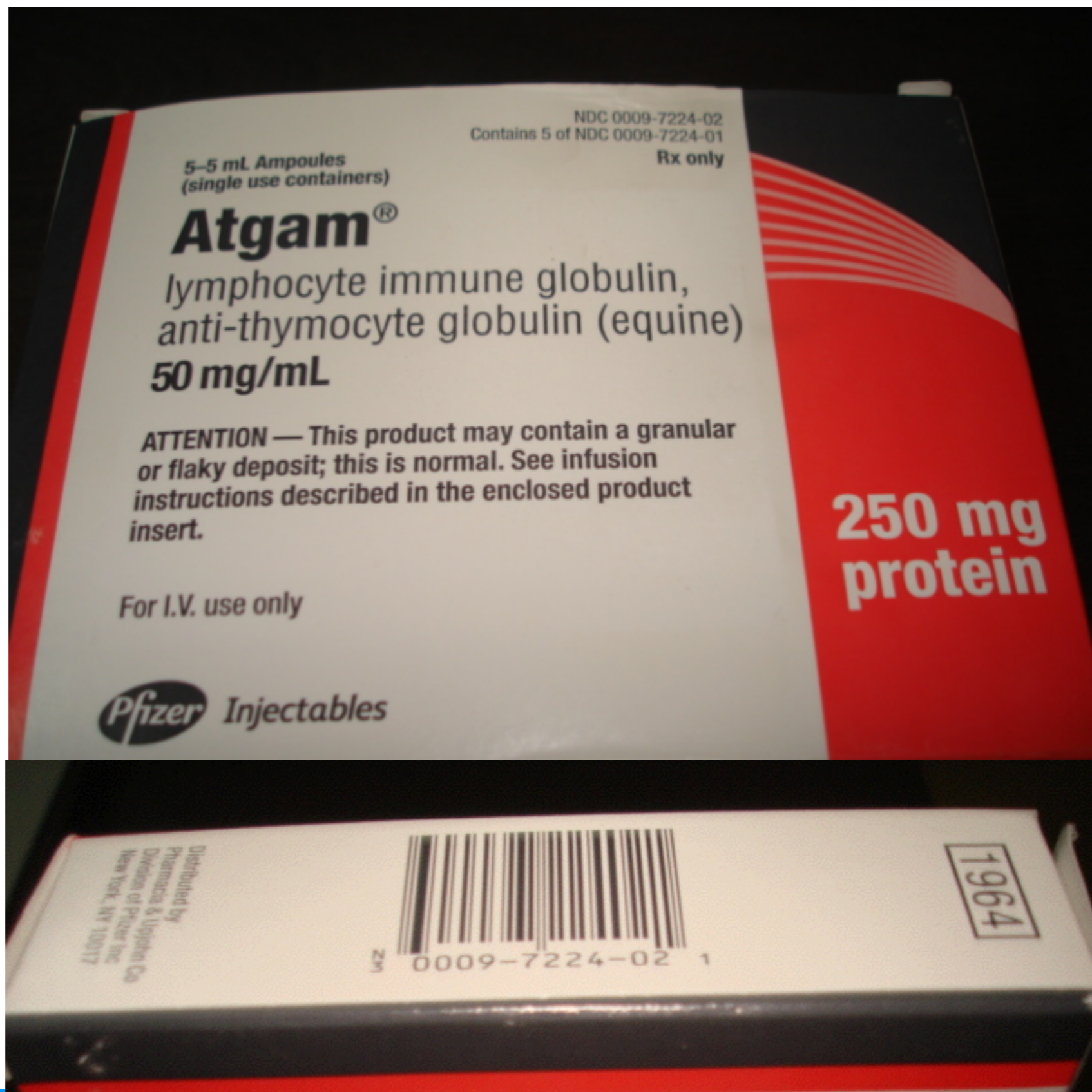
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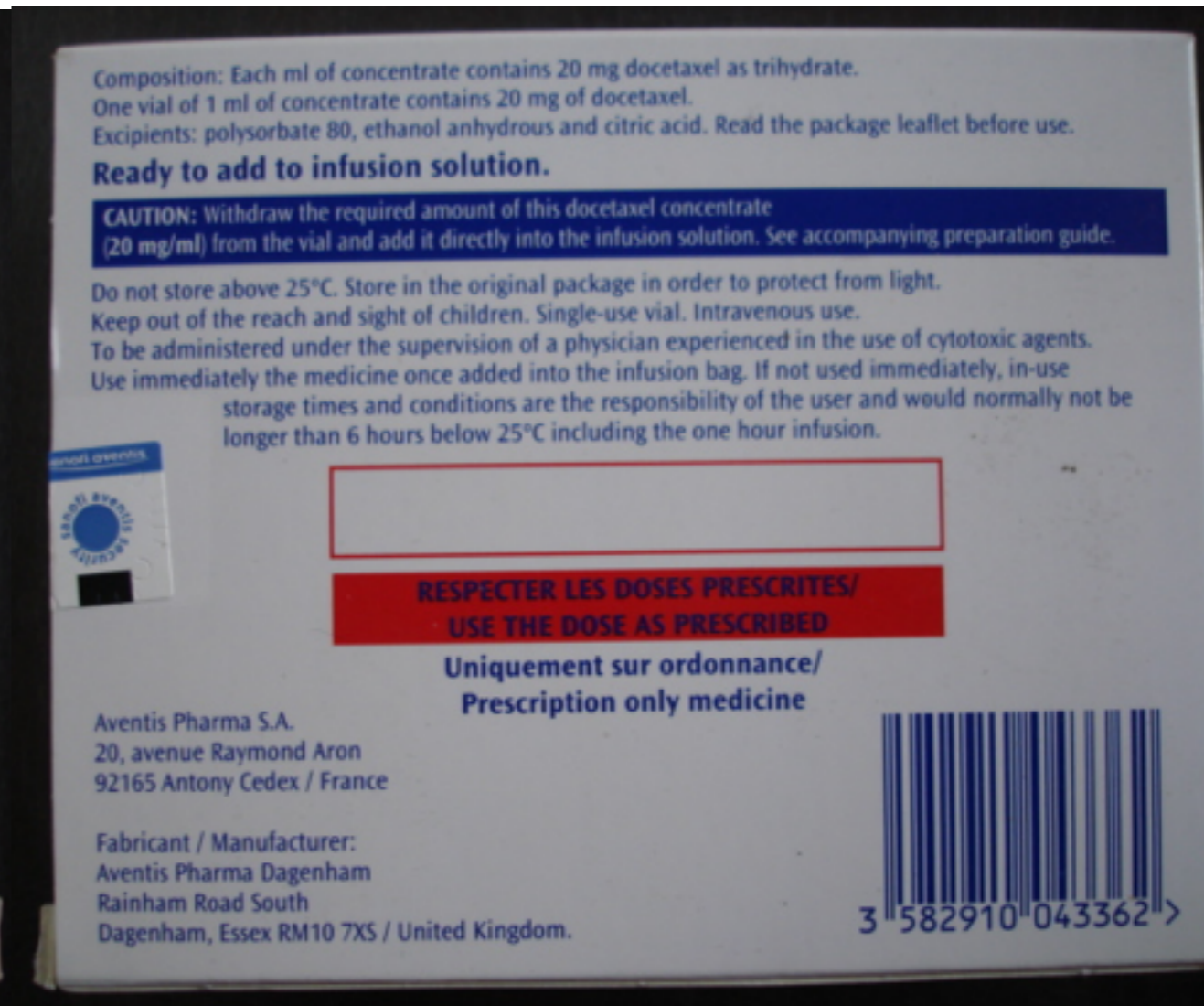


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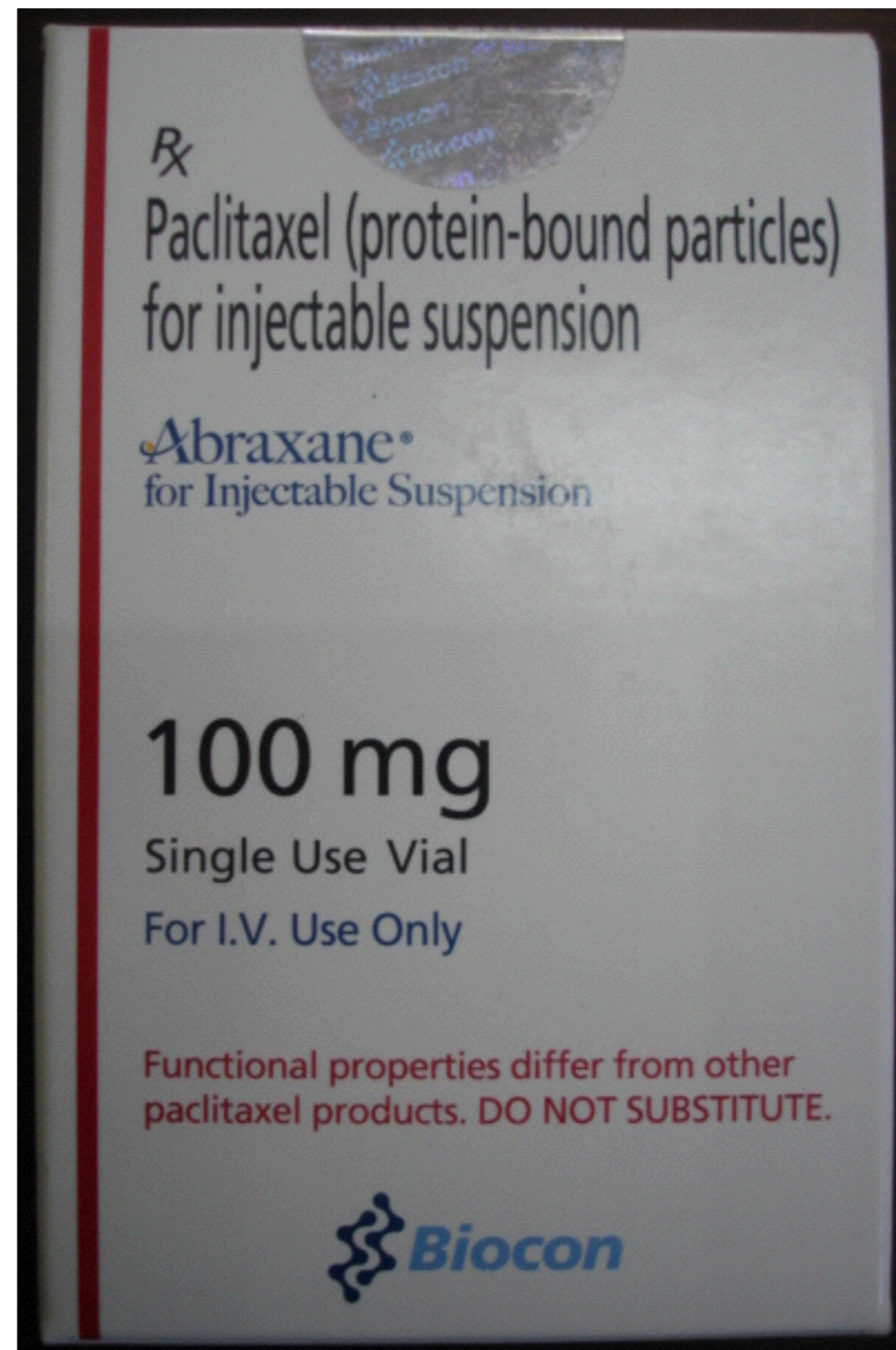
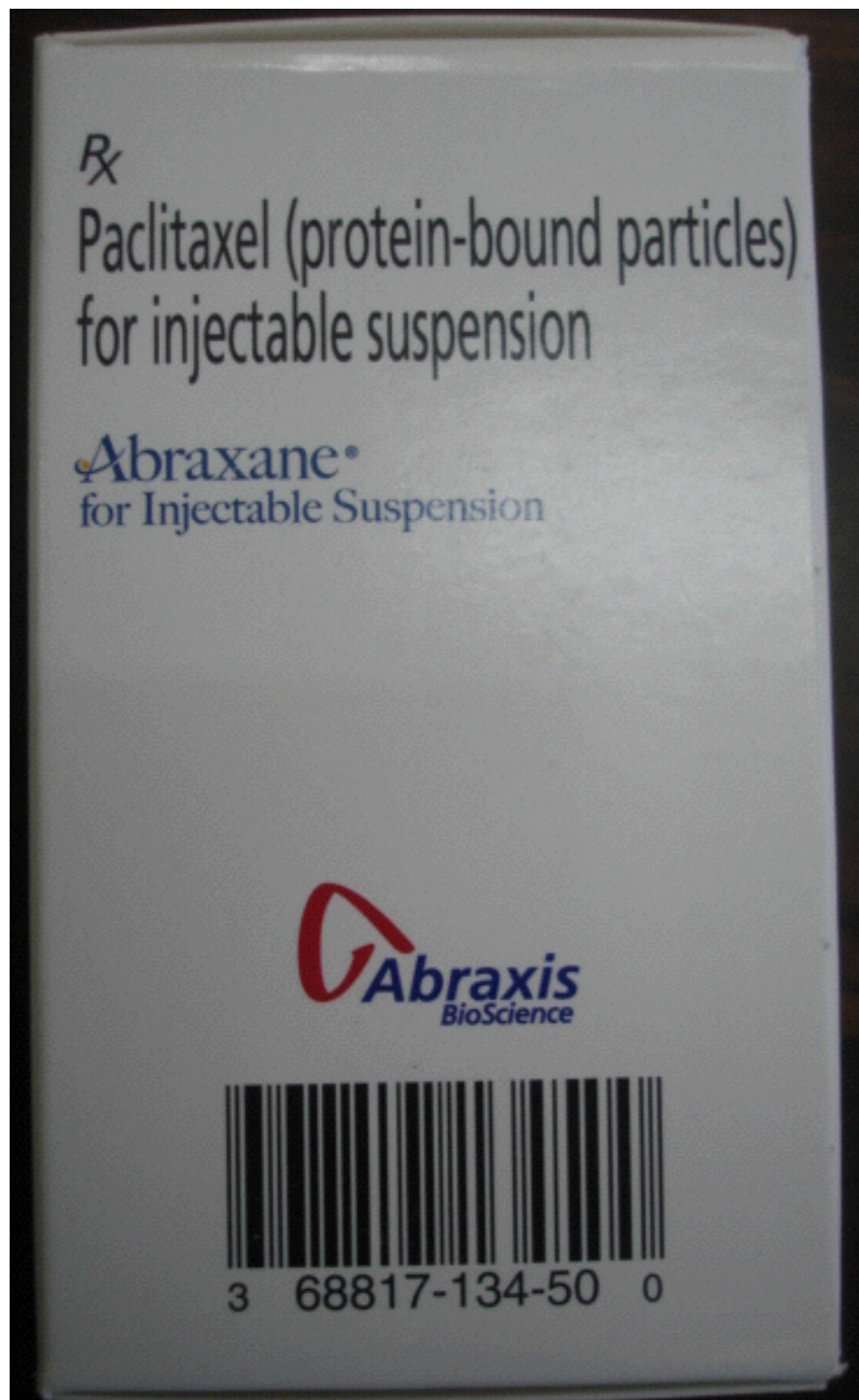


Manufactured by: **Sanofi Winthrop Industrie**
1, rue de la Vierge, Ambares Et Lagrave, 33565 Carbon Blanc, Cedex- France
Importer: **Sanofi-Synthelabo (India) Ltd.,**
City Link Warehousing Complex, Bldg No. 3, Gala No. 6A,
S. No. 120-121, Village Vadpe, Taluka - Bhiwandi, Thane - 421302.
Regd. Office: 54/A, Sir MV Road, Andheri (E), Mumbai -93, India.

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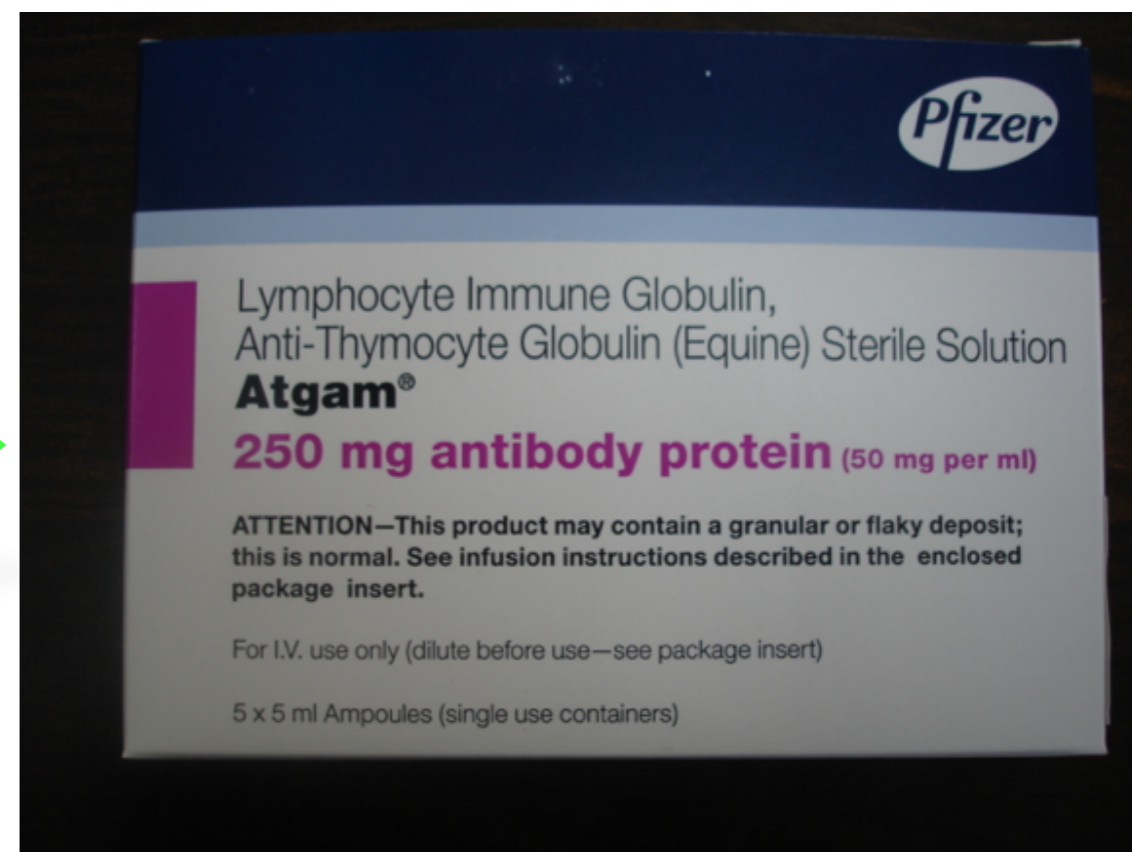
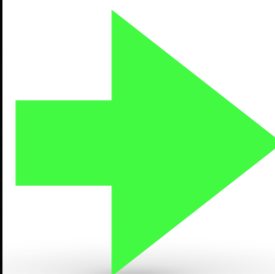
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Taking a product from SRA to Emerging Market




Is this possible without CPP, eCTD, Registration pathway ?

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 **Key regulations governing comparator sourcing**

Regulatory Senario - USA

 Important act governing Biologic and Biosimilar Trade:


 Biologic price competition and innovation act. [http://
www.fda.gov/downloads/Drugs/
GuidanceComplianceRegulatoryInformation/
ucm216146.pdf](http://www.fda.gov/downloads/Drugs/GuidanceComplianceRegulatoryInformation/ucm216146.pdf)


 Over 110 reference made in this act to “Reference” product (Comparator).


 Important restriction: (5) General Rules (A) - One reference product per application.


Regulatory Senario - EU

 Important act governing Biologic and Biosimilar Trade:

 Guidelines on Similar Biological Medicinal product: http://www.ema.europa.eu/docs/en_GB/document_library/Scientific_guideline/2014/10/WC500176768.pdf

 Section 3.2: Choice of reference product:

 Restriction: “The reference medicinal product must be a medicinal product authorised in the EEA, on the basis of a complete dossier in accordance with the provisions of Article 8 of Directive 2001/83/EC, as amended”


 **“However,** with the aim of facilitating the global development of biosimilars and to avoid unnecessary repetition of clinical trials, it may be possible for an Applicant to compare the biosimilar in certain clinical studies and in in vivo non-clinical studies (where needed) with a **non-EEA authorised**”


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Comparator Sourcing Organisation

CSO - Comparator Sourcing Organisation

Why CSO ?

 Sourcing of Reference drugs / Comparators has become an “Achilles Heel” of this industry.








 Ask for 1000 pack - Sorry we offer only 50.

 Ask for 3 batches - Sorry we have only 1 batch.

 Ask for CoA - Sorry not provided.

 **Because Sponsors and CROs should be able to focus on trials.**

CSO - Comparator Sourcing Organisation

-  CSO such as GNH India a specialised wholesaler of Drugs who understand the complex global regulatory frame work and can help Sponsors and CROs cut cost
-  We navigate the treacherous path of comparator sourcing for you, so you could **FOCUS** on Development.
-  A 1000 packs - Done
-  3 Batches - Done
-  CoA, CoC, Pedigree dossier, Temperature record, Recall Agreement - **DONE**
-  **Ship to Timbuktu - Done**
-  **Cost effective sourcing from Emerging markets can bring this down to 5 - 10%**

