



# Guide to applying online for your VMD Special Import Certificate (SIC) for Immunotherapy



Allergen-specific immunotherapy is one of the safest and most effective treatments for environmental allergies. It is a bespoke service that requires each treatment set to be made to order for each patient. A Special Import Certificate (SIC) is required to allow importation from the EU. A multiple SIC can be obtained which lasts for 12 months. The certificate is free if applied for online.

If you wish to proceed with immunotherapy for your patient please email us with:

- 1) **A current SIC Import certificate from the VMD** (all 3 pages)
- 2) **An order** (your selection of allergens for inclusion in the treatment) to be sent as a Word document.

1.	Go to <a href="https://www.vmd.defra.gov.uk/sis/default.aspx">https://www.vmd.defra.gov.uk/sis/default.aspx</a>
2.	Select 'I am a Veterinary Surgeon and want to import: a product from outside the UK for veterinary use.'
3.	Enter your <b>RCVS</b> number and confirm your practice details.
4.	<b>Product:</b> Artuvetrin® Therapy, suspension for subcutaneous injection in dogs. <b>Country of Origin:</b> Netherlands
5.	<b>Species:</b> you will need to apply for separate certificates for dogs, cats or horses. We recommend you apply for a multiple animal certificate for the same species. Input the total <b>number of animals</b> you propose to treat with immunotherapy over the next 12 months (no upper limit to the number of animals you place on the certificate). <b>Amount of vaccine:</b> 40ml per animal per year is recommended. For example, 40 animals = total quantity of <b>1600ml</b> .
6.	<b>Proposed Importer:</b> select <b>Avacta Animal Health</b> from the drop-down list.
7.	<b>Declaration:</b> input/check your email address where you require the SIC to be sent Tick the box to "agree to the declaration". Follow the remainder of the steps for obtaining your SIC by clicking NEXT at the bottom of the screen.

## Delivery

Immunotherapy is delivered direct to your practice within 12-15 working days. A charge of £15 (+ VAT) post and packaging is made for each order.

Upon receipt, **please store in a refrigerator.**

## Dosage Schedules

Each treatment set will last for 10 months at the recommended dosage rates. An initial induction protocol is followed by a monthly maintenance dose.

Week 1	0.2ml	Week 5	0.6ml	Week 10	1.0ml
Week 3	0.4ml	Week 7	0.8ml	Week 13	1.0ml
Maintenance dose – 1.0ml every four weeks thereafter					

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