This document is an English-translated version of an attachment of a notification for Revision of PRECAUTIONS issued by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare.

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Revision of PRECAUTIONS

Indometacin (topical preparations excluding patches)

October 8, 2024

Therapeutic category

Analgesics, anti-itchings, astrigents and anti-inflammatory agents

Non-proprietary name

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Safety measure

PRECAUTIONS should be revised.

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Current

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