



EUROPEAN MEDICINES AGENCY  
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## European Medicines Agency's Privacy Statement For the Regulatory Science Strategy interviews

The European Medicines Agency (hereinafter "EMA" or "Agency") is committed to respect the right to data protection of its staff members and the public. The Agency collects and uses personal data in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 October 2018 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data by the Union institutions, bodies, offices and agencies and on the free movement of such data.

This Privacy Statement explains the most essential details of the processing of personal data by the Agency in the context of the interviews conducted during the preparation of the Agency's Regulatory science strategy ([link](#)). EMA's 'Regulatory Science to 2025' strategy is a plan for advancing EMA's engagement with regulatory science over the next five to ten years, covering both human and veterinary medicines. The strategy aims to build a more adaptive regulatory system that will encourage innovation in human and veterinary medicine.

### 1. Who is responsible for your data?

#### 1.1. Who is the data controller?

The European Medicines Agency ("EMA") is ultimately responsible to comply with your data protection rights and freedoms. On behalf of EMA, the Head of the Regulatory Science and Innovation Task Force is appointed as 'Internal Controller' to ensure the implementation of the processing of personal data.

You may contact the Internal Controller via the following email address:  
[datacontroller.horizonscanning@ema.europa.eu](mailto:datacontroller.horizonscanning@ema.europa.eu)

### 2. Purpose of this data processing

The purpose of this data processing activity is to collect information from interviews on the future trends and challenges facing the European medicines regulatory network over the coming 5-10 years to implement the 'Regulatory Science to 2025' strategy, a plan to advance EMA's engagement with regulatory science over the next five to ten years, covering both human and veterinary medicines.

#### 2.1. Personal Data concerned

In this processing operation we process data directly collected from you when you are interviewed. Such data may include the following:

- Email addresses

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- Title/first name/surname
- Organisation/employer (where applicable)
- Location (country)
- Subject matter of the email
- Minutes of interview (personal and, professional opinions)

## **2.2. Legal Basis**

When you provide your data, you consent to the processing of that data in accordance with this Privacy Statement. You have the right to withdraw your consent later at any time in a response to the contact person mentioned in the invite to the interview. In your request please state what is the personal data that you want to exclude and what is the actual processing activity that you do not want EMA to carry out on your data. Please note that such withdrawal does not affect the lawfulness of processing carried out by EMA before the withdrawal of your consent.

## **3. How long do we keep your data?**

5 years. Deletion of data which are more than 5 years old is carried out once a year. (This retention period is necessary to allow for input into the Network 2025 strategy).

## **4. Who has access to your information and to whom is it disclosed?**

The data collected are processed internally by staff within the EMA Regulatory Science and Innovation Task Force responsible for this activity. Those external parties (scientific leads and experts from the European medicines regulatory network) who are present at the interviews will also have knowledge of the data. Regarding the interviews EMA only publishes an anonymised summary in an aggregate form.

## **5. Your data protection rights**

As data subject (i.e. the individual whose personal data is processed), you have a number of rights:

- **Right to be informed** – This Privacy Statement provides information on how EMA collects and uses your personal data.
- **Right to access** – You have the right to access your personal data. You have the right to request and obtain a copy of the personal data processed by EMA.
- **Right to rectification** – You have the right to obtain - without undue delay - the rectification or completion of your personal if it is incorrect or incomplete.
- **Right to withdraw consent** – You have the right to withdraw your consent to the processing of your personal data.
- **Right to erasure** – You have the right to require EMA to delete or stop processing your data, for example where the data is no longer necessary for the purposes of processing. In certain cases, your data may be kept to the extent it is necessary, for example, to comply with a legal obligation of the Agency or if it is necessary for reasons of public interest in the area of public health.

- **Right to restrict processing** – In a few, codified cases, you have the right to obtain the restriction of the processing, meaning that your data will only be stored, but not actively processed for a limited period of time. For more information about this right and its limitations, see the EMA General Privacy Statement, hosted at [www.ema.europa.eu/en/about-us/legal/privacy-statement](http://www.ema.europa.eu/en/about-us/legal/privacy-statement).
- **Right to portability** - Where the processing is carried out based on your consent and in automated means you have the right to receive your personal data (which was provided to the EMA directly by you) in a machine-readable format. You may also ask the EMA to directly transfer such data to another controller.

The rights of the data subject can be exercised in accordance with the provisions of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725. For anything that is not specifically provided for in this privacy notice, please refer to the contents of the general EMA Privacy Statement: [www.ema.europa.eu/en/about-us/legal/privacy-statement](http://www.ema.europa.eu/en/about-us/legal/privacy-statement)

## 6. Recourse

In case you have any questions regarding the processing of your personal data, or you think that the processing is unlawful or it is not in compliance with this Privacy Statement or the general EMA Privacy Statement, please contact the **Internal Controller** at [datacontroller.horizonsscanning@ema.europa.eu](mailto:datacontroller.horizonsscanning@ema.europa.eu) or the **EMA Data Protection Officer** at [dataprotection@ema.europa.eu](mailto:dataprotection@ema.europa.eu).

You also have the right to lodge a complaint with the **European Data Protection Supervisor (EDPS)** at any time at the following address:

- Email: [edps@edps.europa.eu](mailto:edps@edps.europa.eu)
- Website: [www.edps.europa.eu](http://www.edps.europa.eu)
- Further contact information: [www.edps.europa.eu/about-edps/contact\\_en](http://www.edps.europa.eu/about-edps/contact_en)