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Dear Mr Oliver,

We write in response to your Regulation 28 report dated 7th March 2021 which was forwarded to us as the Publisher of the British National Formulary. We are sorry to hear the sad circumstances surrounding this case.

We have reviewed the BNF content for nitrofurantoin in response to your report and can confirm that we will add additional information regarding acute pulmonary reactions to the nitrofurantoin monograph in the BNF. To increase awareness of this side-effect, we will highlight it specifically in an additional section of the side-effects information. We will also add information on the importance of counselling patients on the possible symptoms of acute pulmonary reactions and the necessity of promptly reporting such symptoms. This will mean that the risk of acute pulmonary reactions will be highlighted in the nitrofurantoin monograph in future.

We trust that this addresses this important issue.

Yours sincerely,



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