

# STERIODS BY THE POUND

## A look at buying anabolic steroids online

There are several undisputed aspects of anabolic androgenic steroids (AAS). One is that they will make you bigger and stronger, regardless of how you train or whether you even train at all. Another is that AAS use in the vast majority of sports is illegal. Most countries around the world consider the possession of AAS without a doctor's prescription to be illegal. But as we have reported in past issues of *JOPP*, most AAS use actually occurs outside of sport by people who are unhappy about their body image or by people who are just recreationally active in sport. And so, despite the fact that AAS are illegal in sport and tested for, worldwide purchases of AAS seems to be on the rise. The way this is possible is via the Internet. But what, exactly, is being sold? And what sort of claims are associated with the products listed on Internet-based AAS sites?



**Steroids on the Internet might not be steroids and the company you buy them from might not even exist.**

### Original Research

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