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The European Medicines Agency,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Regulation (EC) No 1901/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 12 December 2006 on medicinal products for paediatric use and amending Regulation (EEC) No. 1768/92, Directive 2001/20/EC, Directive 2001/83/EC and Regulation (EC) No 726/2004¹,

Having regard to Regulation (EC) No 726/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 31 March 2004 laying down Community procedures for the authorisation and supervision of medicinal products for human and veterinary use and establishing a European Medicines Agency²,

Having regard to the application submitted by Merck Sharp & Dohme (Europe), Inc. on 2 September 2011 under Article 13 of Regulation (EC) No 1901/2006,

Having regard to the opinion of the Paediatric Committee of the European Medicines Agency, issued on 9 December 2011 in accordance with Article 13 of Regulation (EC) No 1901/2006,

Having regard to Article 25 of Regulation (EC) No 1901/2006,

Whereas:

- (1) The Paediatric Committee has given an opinion on the granting of a product specific waiver.
- (2) It is therefore appropriate to adopt a decision granting a waiver.

¹ OJ L 378, 27.12.2006, p.1.

² OJ L 136, 30.4.2004, p. 1.

Has adopted this decision:

Article 1

A waiver for ezetimibe / atorvastatin (calcium), film-coated tablet, oral use, the details of which are set out in the opinion of the Paediatric Committee of the European Medicines Agency annexed hereto, together with its appendices, is hereby granted.

Article 2

This decision is addressed to Merck Sharp & Dohme (Europe), Inc., Clos du Lynx 5, 1200 – Brussels, Belgium.

Done at London, 25 January 2012

For the European Medicines Agency
Guido Rasi
Executive Director
(Signature on file)



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Opinion of the Paediatric Committee on the granting of a product-specific waiver

EMA-001204-PIP01-11

Scope of the application

Active substance(s):

Ezetimibe / atorvastatin (calcium)

Condition(s):

Treatment of hypercholesterolaemia

Treatment of mixed hyperlipidaemia

Pharmaceutical form(s):

Film-coated tablet

Route(s) of administration:

Oral use

Name/corporate name of the PIP applicant:

Merck Sharp & Dohme (Europe), Inc.

Basis for opinion

Pursuant to Article 13 of Regulation (EC) No 1901/2006 as amended, Merck Sharp & Dohme (Europe), Inc. submitted to the European Medicines Agency on 2 September 2011 an application for a product-specific waiver on the grounds set out in Article 11 of said Regulation for the above mentioned medicinal product.

The procedure started on 12 October 2011.



Opinion

1. The Paediatric Committee, having assessed the waiver application in accordance with Article 13 of Regulation (EC) No 1901/2006 as amended, recommends as set out in the appended summary report:

- to grant a product-specific waiver for all subsets of the paediatric population and all the above mentioned condition(s) in accordance with Article 11(1)(c) of said Regulation, on the grounds that the specific medicinal product does not represent a significant therapeutic benefit over existing treatments for paediatric patients.

The Norwegian Paediatric Committee member agrees with the above-mentioned recommendation of the Paediatric Committee.

2. The grounds for the granting of the waiver are set out in Annex I.

This opinion is forwarded to the applicant and the Executive Director of the European Medicines Agency, together with its annex and appendix.

London, 9 December 2011

On behalf of the Paediatric Committee
Dr Daniel Brasseur, Chairman
(Signature on file)

Annex I

Grounds for the granting of the waiver

1. Waiver

1.1. Condition: Treatment of hypercholesterolaemia

The waiver applies to:

- All subsets of the paediatric population from birth to less than 18 years of age;
- for film-coated tablet, oral use;
- on the grounds that the specific medicinal product does not represent a significant therapeutic benefit over existing treatments.

1.2. Treatment of mixed hyperlipidaemia

The waiver applies to:

- All subsets of the paediatric population from birth to less than 18 years of age;
- for film-coated tablet, oral use;
- on the grounds that the specific medicinal product does not represent a significant therapeutic benefit over existing treatments.