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of 26 March 2013

on the agreement of a paediatric investigation plan and on the granting of a waiver for gabapentin (EMEA-001310-PIP01-12) in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 1901/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council

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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 PHARM SRL on 2 July 2012 under Article 16(1) of Regulation (EC) No 1901/2006 also requesting a waiver under Article 13 of said Regulation,

Having regard to the opinion of the Paediatric Committee of the European Medicines Agency, issued on 8 February 2013, in accordance with Article 18 of Regulation (EC) No 1901/2006, and Article 13 of said Regulation,

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

Whereas:

- (1) The Paediatric Committee of the European Medicines Agency has given an opinion on the agreement of a paediatric investigation plan and on the granting of a waiver.
- (2) It is therefore appropriate to adopt a decision agreeing a paediatric investigation plan.
- (3) 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 paediatric investigation plan for gabapentin, oral solution, 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 agreed.

Article 2

A waiver for gabapentin, oral solution, 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 3

This decision is addressed to PHARM SRL, via Einstein, 26900 Lodi, Italy.

Done at London, 26 March 2013

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

EMA/PDCO/752478/2012

Opinion of the Paediatric Committee on the agreement of a Paediatric Investigation Plan and a waiver

EMA-001310-PIP01-12

Scope of the application

Active substance(s):

Gabapentin

Condition(s):

Treatment of chronic pain

Pharmaceutical form(s):

Oral solution

Route(s) of administration:

Oral use

Name / corporate name of the PIP applicant:

PHARM SRL

Basis for opinion

Pursuant to Article 16(1) of Regulation (EC) No 1901/2006 as amended, PHARM SRL submitted for agreement to the European Medicines Agency on 2 July 2012 an application for a paediatric investigation plan for the above mentioned medicinal product and a waiver under Article 13 of said Regulation.

The procedure started on 9 August 2012.

Supplementary information was provided by the applicant on 19 November 2012.

Opinion

1. The Paediatric Committee, having assessed the proposed paediatric investigation plan in accordance with Article 17 of Regulation (EC) No 1901/2006 as amended, recommends as set out in the appended summary report:

- to agree the paediatric investigation plan in accordance with Article 18 of said Regulation,
- to grant a waiver for one or more subsets of the paediatric population in accordance with Article 13 of said Regulation and concluded in accordance with Article 11(1)(b) of said Regulation, on the grounds that the disease or condition for which the specific medicinal product is intended does not occur in the specified subset(s) of the paediatric population.

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

2. The measures and timelines of the agreed paediatric investigation plan and the subset(s) of the paediatric population and condition(s) covered by the waiver are set out in the Annex I.

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

London, 8 February 2013

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

Annex I

The subset(s) of the paediatric population and condition(s) covered by the waiver and the measures and timelines of the agreed Paediatric Investigation Plan

1. Waiver

1.1. Condition: Treatment of chronic pain

The waiver applies to:

- The paediatric population from birth to less than 3 months of age;
- for oral solution, oral use;
- on the grounds that the disease or condition for which the specific medicinal product is intended does not occur in the specified paediatric subset(s).

2. Paediatric Investigation Plan

2.1. Condition: Treatment of chronic pain

2.1.1. Indication(s) targeted by the PIP

Treatment of chronic pain of neuropathic origin.

2.1.2. Subset(s) of the paediatric population concerned by the paediatric development

From 3 months to less than 18 years of age.

2.1.3. Pharmaceutical form(s)

Oral solution.

2.1.4. Measures

Area	Number of measures	Description
Quality	1	Measure 1: Preservatives-free formulation as 250 mg/5 ml.
Non-clinical	1	Measure 2: Juvenile repeated rat toxicity study.
Clinical	3	Measure 3: Randomised, double-blind, double-dummy, active-controlled, multi-centre trial to evaluate the pharmacokinetic, efficacy and safety of gabapentin liquid formulation in children from 3 months to less than 18 years of age experiencing moderate chronic neuropathic or mixed pain. Measure 4: A randomised, double blind, placebo controlled multi-centre trial to evaluate the safety, pharmacokinetic and efficacy of gabapentin as add-on to morphine in children from 3 months to less than 18 years of age suffering from severe chronic neuropathic or mixed pain. Measure 5: Model-based bridging of clinical data for children from 3 months to less than 3 years.

3. Follow-up, completion and deferral of PIP

Concerns on potential long term safety issues in relation to paediatric use:	Yes
Date of completion of the paediatric investigation plan:	By June 2017
Deferral for one or more measures contained in the paediatric investigation plan:	No