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European Medicines Agency decision

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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 Novartis Europharm Limited on 18 May 2018 under Article 16(1) of Regulation (EC) No 1901/2006 also requesting a deferral under Article 20 of said regulation and a waiver under Article 13 of said Regulation,

Having regard to the opinion of the Paediatric Committee of the European Medicines Agency, issued on 26 April 2019, in accordance with Article 17 of Regulation (EC) No 1901/2006 and Article 21 of said Regulation 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, following a re-examination procedure of the Paediatric Committee's opinion according to Article 25(3) of Regulation (EC) No 1901/2006, has given an opinion on the agreement of a paediatric investigation plan and on the granting of a deferral 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 deferral.
- (4) 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 ofatumumab, solution for injection, subcutaneous 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 deferral for ofatumumab, solution for injection, subcutaneous 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

A waiver for ofatumumab, solution for injection, subcutaneous 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 4

This decision is addressed to Novartis Europharm Limited, Vista Building, Elm Park, Merrion Road 4, Dublin, Ireland.

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Amsterdam, 26 April 2019

Final opinion of the Paediatric Committee on the agreement of a Paediatric Investigation plan and a deferral and a waiver

EMA-002397-PIP01-18

Scope of the application

Active substance(s):

Ofatumumab

Condition(s):

Treatment of multiple sclerosis

Pharmaceutical form(s):

Solution for injection

Route(s) of administration:

Subcutaneous use

Name/corporate name of the PIP applicant:

Novartis Europharm Limited

Basis for opinion

Pursuant to Article 16(1) of Regulation (EC) No 1901/2006 as amended, Novartis Europharm Limited submitted for agreement to the European Medicines Agency on 18 May 2018 an application for a paediatric investigation plan for the above mentioned medicinal product and a deferral under Article 20 of said Regulation and a waiver under Article 13 of said Regulation.

An Opinion was adopted by the Paediatric Committee on 1 March 2019 for the above mentioned product. Novartis Europharm Limited received the Paediatric Committee Opinion on 8 March 2019.

On 6 April 2019 Novartis Europharm Limited submitted to the European Medicines Agency a written request, including detailed grounds for re-examination of the Opinion.

The re-examination procedure started on 7 April 2019.

A meeting with the Paediatric Committee took place on 25 April 2019.

Final Opinion

1. The Paediatric Committee, having assessed the detailed grounds for re-examination, in accordance with Article 25(3) of Regulation (EC) No 1901/2006 as amended, recommends as set out in the appended summary report:

1.1. to revise its opinion and

- to agree the paediatric investigation plan in accordance with Article 17(1) of said Regulation;
- to grant a deferral in accordance with Article 21 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)(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.

1.2. following re-examination, to amend the measures and the timelines of the paediatric investigation plan.

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 annexes and appendix.

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 (PIP)

1. Waiver

1.1. Condition

Treatment of multiple sclerosis

The waiver applies to:

- the paediatric population from birth to less than 10 years of age;
- solution for injection, subcutaneous use;
- on the grounds that the specific medicinal product does not represent a significant therapeutic benefit as clinical studies(s) are not feasible.

2. Paediatric investigation plan

2.1. Condition

Treatment of multiple sclerosis

2.1.1. Indication(s) targeted by the PIP

Treatment of relapsing remitting multiple sclerosis

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

From 10 years to less than 18 years of age.

2.1.3. Pharmaceutical form(s)

Solution for injection

2.1.4. Measures

Area	Number of measures	Description
Quality-related studies	0	Not applicable
Non-clinical studies	0	Not applicable
Clinical studies	1	Study 1 Double-blind, randomised, active controlled, parallel arm, multicentre trial with a group-sequential, double-dummy design to evaluate safety, efficacy and pharmacokinetics/pharmacodynamics of ofatumumab compared to fingolimod in children from 10 years to less than 18 years of age with multiple sclerosis

Extrapolation, modelling and simulation studies	0	Not applicable
Other studies	0	Not applicable
Other measures	0	Not applicable

3. Follow-up, completion and deferral of PIP

Concerns on potential long term safety/efficacy issues in relation to paediatric use:	Yes
Date of completion of the paediatric investigation plan:	By December 2024
Deferral for one or more measures contained in the paediatric investigation plan:	Yes