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European Medicines Agency decision

P/0190/2017

of 3 July 2017

on the acceptance of a modification of an agreed paediatric investigation plan for sofosbuvir / velpatasvir (Epclusa), (EMA-001646-PIP01-14-M01) 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 European Medicines Agency's decision P/0099/2015 issued on 8 May 2015,

Having regard to the application submitted by Gilead Sciences International Ltd. on 27 February 2017 under Article 22 of Regulation (EC) No 1901/2006 proposing changes to the agreed paediatric investigation plan with a deferral and a waiver,

Having regard to the opinion of the Paediatric Committee of the European Medicines Agency, issued on 19 May 2017, in accordance with Article 22 of Regulation (EC) No 1901/2006,

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 acceptance of changes to the agreed paediatric investigation plan.
- (2) It is therefore appropriate to adopt a decision on the acceptance of changes to the agreed paediatric investigation plan.

¹ OJ L 378, 27.12.2006, p.1.

² OJ L 136, 30.4.2004, p. 1.

Has adopted this decision:

Article 1

Changes to the agreed paediatric investigation plan for sofosbuvir / velpatasvir (Epclusa), film-coated tablet, age-appropriate oral formulation, oral use, are hereby accepted in the scope set out in the opinion of the Paediatric Committee of the European Medicines Agency annexed hereto, together with its appendices.

Article 2

This decision is addressed to Gilead Sciences International Ltd., Flowers Building, Granta Park, Abingdon, CB21 6GT - Cambridge, United Kingdom.

EMA/PDCO/161502/2017

London, 19 May 2017

Opinion of the Paediatric Committee on the acceptance of a modification of an agreed Paediatric Investigation Plan EMA-001646-PIP01-14-M01

Scope of the application

Active substance(s):

Sofosbuvir / velpatasvir

Invented name:

Epclusa

Condition(s):

Treatment of chronic hepatitis C

Authorised indication(s):

See Annex II

Pharmaceutical form(s):

Film-coated tablet

Age-appropriate oral formulation

Route(s) of administration:

Oral use

Name / corporate name of the PIP applicant:

Gilead Sciences International Ltd.

Information about the authorised medicinal product:

See Annex II

Basis for opinion

Pursuant to Article 22 of Regulation (EC) No 1901/2006 as amended, Gilead Sciences International Ltd. submitted to the European Medicines Agency on 27 February 2017 an application for modification of the agreed paediatric investigation plan with a deferral and a waiver as set out in the European Medicines Agency's decision P/0099/2015 issued on 8 May 2015.

The application for modification proposed changes to the agreed paediatric investigation plan.

The procedure started on 21 March 2017.

Scope of the modification

Some timelines of the Paediatric Investigation Plan have been modified.

Opinion

1. The Paediatric Committee, having assessed the application in accordance with Article 22 of Regulation (EC) No 1901/2006 as amended, recommends as set out in the appended summary report:
 - to agree to changes to the paediatric investigation plan in the scope set out in the Annex I of this opinion.

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

2. The measures and timelines of the 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 chronic hepatitis C

The waiver applies to:

- the paediatric population from birth to less than 3 years of age;
- film-coated tablet, age-appropriate oral formulation, oral use;
- on the grounds that clinical studies with the specific medicinal product cannot be expected to be of significant therapeutic benefit to or fulfil a therapeutic need of the specified paediatric subset(s).

2. Paediatric investigation plan

2.1. Condition

Treatment of chronic hepatitis C

2.1.1. Indication(s) targeted by the PIP

Treatment of children and adolescents from 3 years to less than 18 years of age with genotype 1-6 chronic hepatitis C who are treatment-naïve or treatment-experienced

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

From 3 to less than 18 years of age

2.1.3. Pharmaceutical form(s)

Film-coated tablet

Age-appropriate oral formulation

2.1.4. Measures

Area	Number of measures	Description
Quality-related studies	2	Study 1 Development of a film-coated tablet for use in children from 6 to less than 12 years of age and in adolescents from 12 to less than 18 years of age who are unable to swallow the adult-size tablets. Study 2 Development of an age-appropriate oral formulation for use in children from 3 to less than 6 years of age, and in children above 6 years of age unable to swallow tablets.
Non-clinical studies	0	Not applicable.

Clinical studies	2	Study 3 Open-label, randomised trial in healthy adult volunteers to determine the bioavailability of the age-appropriate oral formulation of the sofosbuvir (SOF)/velpatasvir (VEL) fixed-dose combination (FDC) relative to the adult film-coated tablet. Study 4 Open-label, single arm trial to evaluate pharmacokinetics, safety, antiviral activity and acceptability/palatability of SOF/VEL in children from 3 to less than 18 years of age with chronic hepatitis C genotype 1-6 infection.
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 April 2020
Deferral for one or more measures contained in the paediatric investigation plan:	Yes

Annex II

Information about the authorised medicinal product

Condition(s) and authorised indication(s)

1. Treatment of chronic hepatitis C

Authorised indication(s):

- Epclusa is indicated for the treatment of chronic hepatitis C virus (HCV) infection in adults (see sections 4.2, 4.4 and 5.1).

Authorised pharmaceutical form(s)

Film-coated tablet

Authorised route(s) of administration

Oral use