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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 726/2004<sup>1</sup>,

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 Agency<sup>2</sup>,

Having regard to the application submitted by Novartis Europharm Limited on 10 September 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 29 May 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 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.

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<sup>1</sup> OJ L 378, 27.12.2006, p.1.

<sup>2</sup> OJ L 136, 30.4.2004, p. 1.

Has adopted this decision:

**Article 1**

A paediatric investigation plan for emricasan, 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 agreed.

**Article 2**

A deferral for emricasan, 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 3**

A waiver for emricasan, 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 4**

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



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EMA/PDCO/180697/2019  
Amsterdam, 29 May 2019

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

EMA-002457-PIP01-18

### Scope of the application

**Active substance(s):**

Emricasan

**Condition(s):**

Treatment of non-alcoholic steatohepatitis

**Pharmaceutical form(s):**

Film-coated tablet

**Route(s) of administration:**

Oral 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 10 September 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.

The procedure started on 16 October 2018.

Supplementary information was provided by the applicant on 22 February 2019. The applicant proposed modifications to the paediatric investigation plan.



## 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 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.

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 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 non-alcoholic steatohepatitis (NASH)

The waiver applies to:

- the paediatric population from birth to less than 8 years of age;
- film-coated tablet, oral use;
- on the grounds that the specific medicinal product does not represent a significant therapeutic benefit over existing treatments.

# 2. Paediatric investigation plan

## 2.1. Condition:

Treatment of non-alcoholic steatohepatitis

### 2.1.1. Indication(s) targeted by the PIP

Treatment of NASH with moderate to severe liver fibrosis (F2-F4) in patients aged 8 years to less than 18 years old.

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

From 8 years to less than 18 years of age

### 2.1.3. Pharmaceutical form(s)

Film-coated tablet

### 2.1.4. Measures

Area	Number of measures	Description
Quality-related studies	0	Not applicable.
Non-clinical studies	2	<b>Study 1</b> Dose range-finding juvenile toxicity study in rats <b>Study 2</b> Definitive juvenile toxicity study in rats

Clinical studies	1	<b>Study 3</b> Randomized, double blind, placebo-controlled, multicentre study, to assess the safety, tolerability and efficacy of emricasan compared to placebo in paediatric patients aged 8 years to less than 18 years of age with non-alcoholic steatohepatitis with moderate to severe fibrosis (F2-F4).
Extrapolation, modelling and simulation studies	1	<b>Study 4</b> Modelling and simulation dose finding study.
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 June 2027
Deferral for one or more measures contained in the paediatric investigation plan:	Yes