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of 30 July 2010

on the acceptance of a modification of an agreed paediatric investigation plan for A/California/7/2009 influenza-like virus strain (EMEA-000663-PIP01-09-M03) 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/198/2009 issued on 9 October 2009, the decision P/60/2010 issued on 8 April 2010,

Having regard to the application submitted by Novartis Vaccines & Diagnostics GmbH & Co. KG on 22 April 2010 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 11 June 2010, 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 A/California/7/2009 influenza-like virus strain, suspension for injection, intramuscular 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 Novartis Vaccines & Diagnostics GmbH & Co. KG, Emil-von-Behring Str. 76, 35041 – Marburg, Germany.

Done at London, 30 July 2010

For the European Medicines Agency
Thomas Lönngren
Executive Director

(Signature on file)

EMA/PDCO/352274/2010

Opinion of the Paediatric Committee on the acceptance of a modification of an agreed Paediatric Investigation Plan

EMA-000663-PIP01-09-M03

Scope of the application

Active substance(s):

A/California/7/2009 influenza-like virus strain

Condition(s):

Influenza

Pharmaceutical form(s):

Suspension for injection

Route(s) of administration:

Intramuscular use

Name/corporate name of the PIP applicant:

Novartis Vaccines & Diagnostics GmbH & Co.KG

Basis for opinion

Pursuant to Article 22 of Regulation (EC) No 1901/2006 as amended, Novartis Vaccines & Diagnostics GmbH & Co.KG submitted to the European Medicines Agency on 22 April 2010 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/198/2009 issued on 9 October 2009, the decision P/60/2010 issued on 8 April 2010.

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

The procedure started on 20 May 2010.

Scope of the modification

The modification to the agreed paediatric investigation plan regards changes in the measures.

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(s) agree(s) 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 annex and appendix.

London, 11 June 2010

On behalf of the Paediatric Committee
Dr Daniel Brasseur, Chairman

(Signature on file)

Annex I

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

1. Condition(s)

Influenza

2. Waiver

2.1. Condition

Influenza

The waiver applies to:

- Children from birth to less than 2 months;
- for Split influenza virus, inactivated containing antigen equivalent to A/California/7/2009 influenza-like virus, suspension for injection, intramuscular use;
- on the grounds that the specific medicinal product is likely to be ineffective.

And the waiver applies to:

- Children from 2 months to less than 6 months;
- for Split influenza virus, inactivated containing antigen equivalent to A/California/7/2009 influenza-like virus, suspension for injection, intramuscular use;
- on the grounds that the specific medicinal product does not represent a significant therapeutic benefit over existing measures.

3. Paediatric Investigation Plan

3.1. Condition to be investigated

Influenza

3.1.1. Indication targeted by the PIP

Prevention of infection by pandemic influenza virus (H1N1 strain)

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

From 6 months to less than 18 years.

3.1.3. Pharmaceutical form(s)

Suspension for injection, intramuscular use, 3.75 and 7.5 µg of haemagglutinin (HA)

3.1.4. Studies

Area	Number of studies	Description
Quality	1	Suspension for injection
Non-clinical		Not applicable.
Clinical	1	Immunogenicity and Safety Study of Multiple Formulations of an Intramuscular Inactivated, cell-derived A/H1N1 Influenza Vaccine With and Without Adjuvant in Healthy Subjects Aged 6 months to 17 Years

4. Follow-up, completion and deferral of PIP

Measures to address long term follow-up of potential safety issues in relation to paediatric use:	Yes
Date of completion of the paediatric investigation plan:	By Aug 2011
Deferral for one or more studies contained in the paediatric investigation plan:	Yes