Summary of Risk Management Plan for Pioglitazone Actavis 15mg, 30mg, 45mg tablets

This is a summary of the risk management plan (RMP) for Pioglitazone Actavis 15mg, 30mg, 45mg tablets (hereinafter referred to as Pioglitazone Actavis). The RMP details important risks of Pioglitazone Actavis, how these risks can be minimised, and how more information will be obtained about product's / Pioglitazone Actavis's risks and uncertainties (missing information).

Pioglitazone Actavis's summary of product characteristics (SmPC) and its package leaflet give essential information to healthcare professionals and patients on how Pioglitazone Actavis should be used.

Important new concerns or changes to the current ones will be included in updates of Pioglitazone Actavis's RMP.

I. The Medicine and What It is used for

Pioglitazone Actavis is authorised for third line treatment of type 2 diabetes mellitus (see SmPC for the full indication). It contains Pioglitazone as the active substance and it is given orally.

Further information about the evaluation of Pioglitazone Actavis's benefits can be found in Pioglitazone Actavis's EPAR, including in its plain-language summary, available on the EMA website, under the medicine's webpage:

https://www.ema.europa.eu/en/medicines/human/EPAR/pioglitazone-actavis

II. Risks Associated with the Medicine and Activities to Minimise or Further Characterise the Risks

Important risks of Pioglitazone Actavis, together with measures to minimise such risks and the proposed studies for learning more about Pioglitazone Actavis's risks, if any, are outlined below.

Measures to minimise the risks identified for medicinal products can be:

- Specific information, such as warnings, precautions, and advice on correct use, in the package leaflet and SmPC addressed to patients and healthcare professionals;
- Important advice on the medicine's packaging;
- The authorised pack size the amount of medicine in a pack is chosen so to ensure that the medicine is used correctly;
- The medicine's legal status the way a medicine is supplied to the patient (e.g. with or without prescription) can help to minimise its risks.

Together, these measures constitute routine risk minimisation measures.

In addition to these measures, information about adverse reactions is collected continuously and regularly analysed so that immediate action can be taken as necessary. These measures constitute *routine pharmacovigilance activities*.

II.A List of Important Risks and Missing Information

Important risks of Pioglitazone Actavis are risks that need special risk management activities to further investigate or minimise the risk, so that the medicinal product can be safely taken. Important risks can be regarded as identified or potential. Identified risks are concerns for which there is sufficient proof of a link with the use of Pioglitazone Actavis. Potential risks are concerns for which an association with the use of this medicine is possible based on available data, but this association has not been established yet and needs further evaluation. Missing information refers to information on the safety of the medicinal product that is currently missing and needs to be collected (e.g. on the long-term use of the medicine).

There are no safety concerns recognised for Pioglitazone Actavis.

II.B Summary of Important Risks

The safety information in the proposed Product Information is aligned to the reference medicinal product.

II.C Post-Authorisation Development Plan

II.C.1 Studies Which Are Conditions of the Marketing Authorisation

There are no studies which are conditions of the marketing authorisation or specific obligation of Pioglitazone Actavis.

II.C.2 Other Studies in Post-Authorisation Development Plan

There are no studies required for Pioglitazone Actavis.