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Committee for Medicinal Products for Human Use (CHMP)

Summary of opinion[1] (initial authorisation)

Dimethyl fumarate Neuraxpharm

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On 24 February 2022, the Committee for Medicinal Products for Human Use (CHMP) adopted a positive opinion, recommending the granting of a marketing authorisation for the medicinal product Dimethyl fumarate Neuraxpharm, intended for the treatment of adult patients with relapsing remitting multiple sclerosis.

The applicant for this medicinal product is Laboratorios Lesvi S.L.

Dimethyl fumarate Neuraxpharm will be available as 120 mg and 240 mg gastro-resistant hard capsules. The active substance of Dimethyl fumarate Neuraxpharm is dimethyl fumarate, an immunomodulating agent (ATC code: L04AX07). It primarily acts by triggering the activation of the nuclear factor (erythroid-derived 2)-like 2 (Nrf2) transcriptional pathway.

Dimethyl fumarate Neuraxpharm is a generic of Tecfidera, which has been authorised in the EU since 30 January 2014. Studies have demonstrated the satisfactory quality of Dimethyl fumarate Neuraxpharm and its bioequivalence to the reference product Tecfidera. A question and answer document on generic medicines can be found here.

The full indication is:

> Dimethyl fumarate Neuraxpharm is indicated for the treatment of adult patients with relapsing remitting multiple sclerosis.

The treatment with Dimethyl fumarate Neuraxpharm should be initiated under the supervision of a physician experienced in the treatment of the disease.

Detailed recommendations for the use of this product will be described in the summary of product characteristics (SmPC), which will be published in the European public assessment report (EPAR) and made available in all official European Union languages after the marketing authorisation has been granted by the European Commission.

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[1] Summaries of positive opinion are published without prejudice to the Commission decision, which will normally be issued 67 days from adoption of the opinion