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Summary of opinion¹ (initial authorisation)

Posaconazole Accord

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On 29 May 2019, the Committee for Medicinal Products for Human Use (CHMP) adopted a positive opinion, recommending the granting of a marketing authorisation for the medicinal product Posaconazole Accord, intended for the treatment and prevention of fungal infections.

The applicant for this medicinal product is Accord Healthcare S.L.U.

Posaconazole Accord will be available as 100 mg gastro-resistant tablets. The active substance of Posaconazole Accord is posaconazole, a triazole antimycotic (ATC code: J02AC04) that inhibits the enzyme lanosterol 14a-demethylase (CYP51), which catalyses an essential step in ergosterol biosynthesis.

Posaconazole Accord is a generic of Noxafil, which has been authorised in the EU since 25 October 2005. Studies have demonstrated the satisfactory quality of Posaconazole Accord, and its bioequivalence to the reference product Noxafil. A question and answer document on generic medicines can be found here.

The full indication is:

"Posaconazole Accord is indicated for use in the treatment of the following fungal infections in adults:

- Invasive aspergillosis in patients with disease that is refractory to amphotericin B or itraconazole or in patients who are intolerant of these medicinal products;
- Fusariosis in patients with disease that is refractory to amphotericin B or in patients who are intolerant of amphotericin B;
- Chromoblastomycosis and mycetoma in patients with disease that is refractory to itraconazole or in patients who are intolerant of itraconazole;
- Coccidioidomycosis in patients with disease that is refractory to amphotericin B, itraconazole or fluconazole or in patients who are intolerant of these medicinal products.

Refractoriness is defined as progression of infection or failure to improve after a minimum of 7 days of prior therapeutic doses of effective antifungal therapy.

 $^{^1}$ Summaries of positive opinion are published without prejudice to the Commission decision, which will normally be issued 67 days from adoption of the opinion



Posaconazole Accord is also indicated for prophylaxis of invasive fungal infections in the following patients:

- Patients receiving remission-induction chemotherapy for acute myelogenous leukemia (AML) or myelodysplastic syndromes (MDS) expected to result in prolonged neutropenia and who are at high risk of developing invasive fungal infections;
- Hematopoietic stem cell transplant (HSCT) recipients who are undergoing high-dose immunosuppressive therapy for graft versus host disease and who are at high risk of developing invasive fungal infections."

It is proposed that Posaconazole Accord be prescribed by physicians experienced in the management of fungal infections or in the supportive care of high risk patients for which posaconazole is indicated as prophylaxis.

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.