

21 October 2010 EMA/CHMP/640157/2010 Committee for medicinal products for human use (CHMP)

Summary of opinion¹ (post authorisation)

Lucentis

ranibizumab

On 21 October 2010 the Committee for Medicinal Products for Human Use (CHMP) adopted a positive opinion recommending a variation to the terms of the marketing authorisation for the medicinal product Lucentis. The marketing authorisation holder for this medicinal product is Novartis Europharm Ltd. They may request a re-examination of the CHMP opinion, provided that they notify the European Medicines Agency in writing of their intention within 15 days of receipt of the opinion.

The CHMP adopted a new indication as follows:

"Lucentis is indicated in adults for the treatment of visual impairment due to diabetic macular oedema (DME)".

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

For information, the full indications for Lucentis will be as follows²:

Lucentis is indicated in adults for:

- the treatment of neovascular (wet) age-related macular degeneration (AMD) (see section 5.1).
- the treatment of visual impairment due to diabetic macular oedema (DME) (see section 5.1).



¹ Summaries of positive opinion are published without prejudice to the commission decision, which will normally be issued within 44 days (Type II variations) and 67 days (Annex II applications) from adoption of the opinion.

² The text in bold represents the new or the amended indication.