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Committee for Medicinal Products for Human Use (CHMP)

Summary of opinion¹ (post authorisation)

Prezista
darunavir

On 25 July 2013, 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 Prezista (darunavir). The marketing authorisation holder for this medicinal product is Janssen-Cilag International N.V. 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 an extension of the indication for use of darunavir/ritonavir once daily regimen in paediatric patients 12 to 17 years of age and weighing at least 40 kilograms who are antiretroviral treatment naïve or with prior exposure to antiretroviral medicinal products but without darunavir RAMs and who have plasma HIV 1 RNA < 100,000 copies/ml and CD4+ cell count ≥ 100 cells x 10⁶/l.

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 Prezista will be as follows²:

100 mg/ml oral suspension

Prezista, co-administered with low dose ritonavir is indicated in combination with other antiretroviral medicinal products for the treatment of human immunodeficiency virus (HIV-1) infection in adult and paediatric patients from the age of 3 years and at least 15 kg body weight (see section 4.2).

In deciding to initiate treatment with Prezista co-administered with low dose ritonavir, careful consideration should be given to the treatment history of the individual patient and the patterns of mutations associated with different agents. Genotypic or phenotypic testing (when available) and treatment history should guide the use of Prezista.

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.
Prezista, co-administered with low dose ritonavir is indicated in combination with other antiretroviral medicinal products for the treatment of patients with human immunodeficiency virus (HIV-1) infection.

Prezista 400 and 800 mg tablets may be used to provide suitable dose regimens for the treatment of HIV-1 infection in adult and paediatric patients from the age of 12 years and at least 40 kg body weight who are:

- antiretroviral therapy (ART)-naïve (see section 4.2).
- ART-experienced with no darunavir resistance associated mutations (DRV-RAMs) and who have plasma HIV-1 RNA < 100,000 copies/ml and CD4+ cell count ≥ 100 cells x 10^6/l. In deciding to initiate treatment with Prezista in such ART-experienced patients, genotypic testing should guide the use of Prezista (see sections 4.2, 4.3, 4.4 and 5.1).