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Hoffmann-La Roche, Incorporated
Attention: Lisa Aronson
Program Manager
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Dear Ms. Aronson:

Your request to supplement your biologics license application for Interferon alfa-2a to revise the Medication Guide, and the "Warnings", "Precautions" and "Adverse Reactions" sections of the package insert, and to include a "Postmarketing" section in the package insert has been approved.

FDA previously approved a Medication Guide required for distribution with this product in accordance with 21 CFR Part 208. FDA hereby approves the revised draft Medication Guide you submitted on October 22, 2004.

Please note that:

- this Medication Guide must be reprinted at the end of the package insert [21 CFR 201.57(f)(2)];
- you are responsible for ensuring that this Medication Guide is available for distribution to every patient who is dispensed a prescription for this product [21 CFR 208];
- the final printed Medication Guide distributed to patients must conform to all conditions described in 21 CFR 208.20, including a minimum of 10 point text; and
- you are responsible for ensuring that the label of each container or package includes a prominent and conspicuous instruction to authorized dispensers to provide a Medication Guide to each patient to whom the drug is dispensed, and states how the Medication Guide is provided.

Please submit all final printed labeling at the time of use and include implementation information on FDA Form 356h. Please provide a PDF-format electronic copy as well as original paper copies (ten for circulars and five for other labels).

Please refer to <http://www.fda.gov/cder/biologics/default.htm> for important information regarding therapeutic biological products, including the address for submissions. Effective Oct 4, 2004, the new address for all submissions to this application is:

CDER Therapeutic Biological Products Document Room
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research
Food and Drug Administration
12229 Wilkins Avenue
Rockville, Maryland 20852

This information will be included in your biologics license application file.

Sincerely, /
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Enclosures: Package Insert
Medication Guide