

Food and Drug Administration Silver Spring, MD 20993

NDA 22256/S-006

### SUPPLEMENT APPROVAL

Cypress Bioscience, Inc. c/o Forest Laboratories, Inc. Harborside Financial Center Plaza III, Suite 602 Jersey City, NJ 07311

Attention: Michael K. Olchaskey, PharmD Director, Regulatory Affairs

Dear Dr. Olchaskey:

Please refer to your supplemental new drug application dated and received February 24, 2010, submitted under section 505(b) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act for Savella (milnacipran HCl) 12.5 mg, 25 mg, 50 mg, and 100 mg Tablets.

This "Prior Approval" supplemental new drug application provides for the revision of the product labeling to include information on the Savella Pregnancy Registry and modification of the language in the Dosage and Administration section to allow the prescribing physician to adjust the dosing schedule based on individual patient response.

We have completed our review of this application. It is approved, effective on the date of this letter, for use as recommended in the enclosed, agreed-upon labeling text.

The final printed labeling (FPL) must be identical to the labeling enclosed in this letter.

## **CONTENT OF LABELING**

As soon as possible, but no later than 14 days from the date of this letter, submit, using the FDA automated drug registration and listing system (eLIST), the content of labeling [21 CFR 314.50(1)] in structured product labeling (SPL) format, as described at <a href="http://www.fda.gov/ForIndustry/DataStandards/StructuredProductLabeling/default.htm">http://www.fda.gov/ForIndustry/DataStandards/StructuredProductLabeling/default.htm</a>, that is identical to the enclosed labeling for the package insert and Medication Guide, and include the labeling changes proposed in any pending "Changes Being Effected" (CBE) supplements. Information on submitting SPL files using eLIST may be found in the guidance for industry titled "SPL Standard for Content of Labeling Technical Qs and As" at <a href="http://www.fda.gov/downloads/DrugsGuidanceComplianceRegulatoryInformation/Guidances/UCM072392.pdf">http://www.fda.gov/downloads/DrugsGuidanceComplianceRegulatoryInformation/Guidances/UCM072392.pdf</a>.

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The SPL will be accessible from publicly available labeling repositories.

Also within 14 days, amend all pending supplemental applications for this NDA, including pending "Changes Being Effected" (CBE) supplements, for which FDA has not yet issued an action letter, with the content of labeling [21 CFR 314.50(l)(1)(i)] in MS Word format that includes the changes approved in this supplemental application.

### LETTERS TO HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS

If you issue a letter communicating important safety related information about this drug product (i.e., a "Dear Health Care Professional" letter), we request that you submit, at least 24 hours prior to issuing the letter, an electronic copy of the letter to this NDA, to CDERMedWatchSafetyAlerts@fda.hhs.gov, and to the following address:

MedWatch Food and Drug Administration 5600 Fishers Lane, Room 12B-05 Rockville, MD 20857

#### **REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**

We remind you that you must comply with reporting requirements for an approved NDA (21 CFR 314.80 and 314.81).

If you have any questions, contact Diana Walker, Ph.D., Regulatory Health Project Manager, at (301) 796-4029.

Sincerely,

{See appended electronic signature page}

Bob A. Rappaport, M.D. Director Division of Anesthesia and Analgesia Products Office of Drug Evaluation II Center for Drug Evaluation and Research

Enclosure: Package Insert Medication Guide

Application Type/Number	Submission Type/Number	Submitter Name	Product Name
NDA-22256	SUPPL-6	CYPRESS BIOSCIENCE INC	SAVELLA TABLETS

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