



Our STN: BLA 125160/126

SUPPLEMENT BLA APPROVAL

October 6, 2010

UCB, Inc
1950 Lake Park Drive
Smyrna, GA 30080

Attention: Deborah A. Hogerman, Ph.D.
Senior Director, Regulatory Affairs

Dear Dr. Hogerman:

Please refer to your Supplemental Biologics License Application (sBLA), dated September 3, 2010, received September 3, 2010, submitted under section 351 of the Public Health Service Act for Cimzia (certolizumab pegol).

This Prior Approval labeling supplement to your biologics license application proposes to include information regarding systemic vasculitis to the ADVERSE REACTIONS section of the package insert for Cimzia (certolizumab pegol).

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

CONTENT OF LABELING

As soon as possible, but no later than 14 days from the date of this letter, submit, via the FDA automated drug registration and listing system (eLIST), the content of labeling [21 CFR 601.14(b)] in structured product labeling (SPL) format, as described at <http://www.fda.gov/ForIndustry/DataStandards/StructuredProductLabeling/default.htm>, that is identical to the enclosed labeling (text for the package insert), submitted on September 3, 2010, 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 <http://www.fda.gov/downloads/Drugs/GuidanceComplianceRegulatoryInformation/Guidances/UCM072392.pdf>. For administrative purposes, please designate this submission "**Product Correspondence – Final SPL for approved BLA STN 125160/S-126.**"

Also within 14 days, amend all pending supplemental applications for this BLA, including pending "Changes Being Effected" (CBE) supplements, for which FDA has not yet issued an action letter, with the content of labeling [21 CFR 601.12(f)] in MS Word format that includes the changes approved in this supplemental application.

The SPL will be accessible via publicly available labeling repositories.

LETTERS TO HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS

If you decide to 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 BLA to the following address:

MedWatch Program
Office of Special Health Issues
Food and Drug Administration
10903 New Hampshire Ave
Building 32, Mail Stop 5353
Silver Spring, MD 20993

REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

We remind you that you must comply with reporting requirements for an approved BLA (in 21 CFR 600.80 and in 21 CFR 600.81).

If you have any questions, call Ladan Jafari, Regulatory Project Manager, at (301) 796-1231.

Sincerely,

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ENCLOSURE:
CONTENT OF LABELING