



BLA 125377/33

**SUPPLEMENT APPROVAL**

Bristol-Myers Squibb Company  
Attention: Cynthia Wojtaszek  
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Dear Ms. Wojtaszek:

Please refer to your Supplemental Biologics License Application (sBLA), dated April 27, 2012, received April 27, 2012, submitted under section 351(a) of the Public Health Service Act for Yervoy (ipilimumab).

We acknowledge receipt of your amendments dated June 27, September 20, October 23 and October 26, 2012.

This "Prior Approval" supplemental biologics application includes data from a population pharmacokinetics study and an animal pre- and post-natal development study in the Drug Interactions section, the Use in Specific Populations, Pregnancy, Nursing Mothers, Renal Impairment and Hepatic Impairment subsections, the Clinical Pharmacology, Pharmacokinetics subsection, and the Nonclinical Toxicology, Animal Toxicity and/or Pharmacology subsection of the package insert.

We have completed our review of this supplemental application, as amended. 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, 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 <http://www.fda.gov/downloads/Drugs/GuidanceComplianceRegulatoryInformation/Guidances/U>

[CM072392.pdf](#). For administrative purposes, please designate this submission “**Product Correspondence – Final SPL for approved BLA STN 125377/33.**”

The SPL will be accessible via publicly available labeling repositories.

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.

### **REQUIRED PEDIATRIC ASSESSMENTS**

Under the Pediatric Research Equity Act (PREA) (21 U.S.C. 355c), all applications for new active ingredients, new indications, new dosage forms, new dosing regimens, or new routes of administration are required to contain an assessment of the safety and effectiveness of the product for the claimed indication(s) in pediatric patients unless this requirement is waived, deferred, or inapplicable.

Because none of these criteria apply to your application, you are exempt from this requirement.

### **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 Gina Davis, Regulatory Project Manager, at (301) 796-0704.

Sincerely,

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ENCLOSURE:  
Content of Labeling

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10/26/2012