



NDA 22083/S-019

**SUPPLEMENT APPROVAL**

Novartis Pharmaceuticals Corporation  
Attention: Peter D. McArdle, DVM  
Director Drug Regulatory Affairs  
One Health Plaza, East Hanover, NJ 07936

Dear Dr. McArdle:

Please refer to your Supplemental New Drug Application (sNDA) dated November 30, 2012, received November 30, 2012, submitted under section 505(b) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FDCA) for Exelon (rivastigmine) Patch 13.3mg/24hr.

We acknowledge receipt of your amendments dated February 28, 2013 and April 2, 2013.

This Prior Approval supplemental new drug application provides for the administration of the transdermal formulation (13.3 mg/24 hours nominal release rate, 27 mg total drug load, 15cm<sup>2</sup> patch size) for use in the treatment of an additional patient population, those with severe dementia of the Alzheimer's type (severe AD).

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 the content of labeling [21 CFR 314.50(l)] in structured product labeling (SPL) format using the FDA automated drug registration and listing system (eLIST), as described at <http://www.fda.gov/ForIndustry/DataStandards/StructuredProductLabeling/default.htm>. Content of labeling must be identical to the enclosed labeling (text for the package insert, text for the patient package insert, text for the information for use), with the addition of any labeling changes in pending "Changes Being Effected" (CBE) supplements, as well as annual reportable changes not included in the enclosed labeling.

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/DrugsGuidanceComplianceRegulatoryInformation/Guidances/UCM072392.pdf>

The SPL will be accessible from publicly available labeling repositories.

Also within 14 days, amend all pending supplemental applications that includes labeling changes for this NDA, including 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, as well as annual reportable changes and annotate each change. To facilitate review of your submission, provide a highlighted or marked-up copy that shows all changes, as well as a clean Microsoft Word version. The marked-up copy should provide appropriate annotations, including supplement number(s) and annual report date(s).

We are waiving the pediatric study requirement for this application because necessary studies are impossible or highly impracticable because the disease does not exist in children.

### **PROMOTIONAL MATERIALS**

You may request advisory comments on proposed introductory advertising and promotional labeling. To do so, submit the following, in triplicate, (1) a cover letter requesting advisory comments, (2) the proposed materials in draft or mock-up form with annotated references, and (3) the package insert(s) to:

Food and Drug Administration  
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research  
Office of Prescription Drug Promotion (OPDP)  
5901-B Ammendale Road  
Beltsville, MD 20705-1266

You must submit final promotional materials and package insert(s), accompanied by a Form FDA 2253, at the time of initial dissemination or publication [21 CFR 314.81(b)(3)(i)]. Form FDA 2253 is available at <http://www.fda.gov/opacom/morechoices/fdaforms/cder.html>; instructions are provided on page 2 of the form. For more information about submission of promotional materials to the Office of Prescription Drug Promotion (OPDP), see <http://www.fda.gov/AboutFDA/CentersOffices/CDER/ucm090142.htm>.

### **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, call Teresa Wheelous, Sr. Regulatory Project Manager, at (301) 796-1161.

Sincerely,

*{See appended electronic signature page}*

Russell G. Katz, M.D.  
Director  
Division of Neurology Products  
Office of Drug Evaluation I  
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research

ENCLOSURE(S):  
Content of Labeling

-----  
**This is a representation of an electronic record that was signed electronically and this page is the manifestation of the electronic signature.**  
-----

/s/  
-----

RUSSELL G KATZ  
06/27/2013