



NDA 022068/S-020

**SUPPLEMENT APPROVAL
FULFILLMENT OF POSTMARKETING
REQUIREMENT**

Novartis Pharmaceuticals Corporation
Attention: Katie Chon, PharmD, RPh
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Dear Dr. Chon:

Please refer to your Supplemental New Drug Application (sNDA) dated March 28, 2014, received March 28, 2014, submitted under section 505(b) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FDCA) for TASIGNA[®] (nilotinib) capsules, 150 and 200 mg.

We acknowledge receipt of your amendments dated April 28; October 6, 2014; and January 6, 12, 19, and 26, 2015.

This "Prior Approval" supplemental new drug application provides for updates to the United States Prescribing Information based on the clinical study report for 60 months of follow-up for Study CAMN107A2303 (ENESTnd) titled "*A phase III multi-center, open-label, randomized study of imatinib versus nilotinib in adult patients with newly diagnosed Philadelphia chromosome positive (Ph+) chronic myelogenous leukemia in chronic phase (CML-CP).*"

APPROVAL & LABELING

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.

WAIVER OF HIGHLIGHTS SECTION

Please note that we have previously granted a waiver of the requirements of 21 CFR 201.57(d)(8) regarding the length of Highlights of prescribing information.

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 and Medication Guide), 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).

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We approved this sNDA under the regulations at 21 CFR 314 Subpart H for accelerated approval of new drugs for serious or life-threatening illnesses. Approval of this supplement fulfills your commitments made under 21 CFR 314.510 for Supplement 005 approval dated June 17, 2010.

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 this drug product for this indication has an orphan drug designation, you are exempt from this requirement.

FULFILLMENT OF POSTMARKETING REQUIREMENT(S)/COMMITMENT(S)

We have received your submission dated March 28, 2014, containing the final report for the following postmarketing requirement listed in the June 17, 2010, approval letter.

PMR 1651-1 Submit an interim report at 24 months and the completed report (at least 60 months of follow-up) from Trial 2303. Primary data will accompany each report.

The timetable you submitted on June 4, 2010, states that you will conduct this trial according to the following schedule:

Final Protocol Submitted: February 2007

Interim Report (at 24 months) Submission Date: March 2011
(Data Cut-off Date August 31, 2010)

Final Report (at least 60 months Follow-Up) Submission Date: March 2014
(Data Cut-off Date September 30, 2013)

We have reviewed your submission and conclude that the above requirement is fulfilled.

This completes all of your postmarketing requirements listed in our June 17, 2010, letter.

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/downloads/AboutFDA/ReportsManualsForms/Forms/UCM083570.pdf>.

Information and Instructions for completing the form can be found at

<http://www.fda.gov/downloads/AboutFDA/ReportsManualsForms/Forms/UCM375154.pdf>. 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>.

All promotional materials that include representations about your drug product must be promptly revised to be consistent with the labeling changes approved in this supplement, including any new safety information [21 CFR 314.70(a)(4)]. The revisions in your promotional materials should include prominent disclosure of the important new safety information that appears in the revised package labeling. Within 7 days of receipt of this letter, submit your statement of intent to comply with 21 CFR 314.70(a)(4) to the address above or by fax to (301) 847-8444.

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, please contact Patricia Garvey, Regulatory Project Manager Team Leader, at (301) 796-8493.

Sincerely,

{See appended electronic signature page}

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ENCLOSURE:
Content of Labeling

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EDVARDAS KAMINSKAS
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