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APPLICATION NUMBER:
22-100

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REQUEST FOR CONSULTATION

TO (Office/Division): OMP/DDMAC
Attn: Lisa Hubbard, PharmD

FROM (Name, Office/Division, and Phone Number of Requestor):

DATE
January 18, 2007

IND NO.
70,410

NDA NO.
22-100

TYPE OF DOCUMENT
Labeling

DATE OF DOCUMENT
November 27, 2006

NAME OF DRUG
AZOR (amlodipine besylate
and olmesartan medoxomil)

PRIORITY CONSIDERATION
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CLASSIFICATION OF DRUG
Fixed dose combination
CCB/ARB

DESIRED COMPLETION DATE
April 18, 2007

NAME OF FIRM: Daiichi Sankyo Inc.

REASON FOR REQUEST

I. GENERAL

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| <input type="checkbox"/> NEW PROTOCOL
<input type="checkbox"/> PROGRESS REPORT
<input type="checkbox"/> NEW CORRESPONDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> DRUG ADVERTISING
<input type="checkbox"/> ADVERSE REACTION REPORT
<input type="checkbox"/> MANUFACTURING CHANGE / ADDITION
<input type="checkbox"/> MEETING PLANNED BY | <input type="checkbox"/> PRE-NDA MEETING
<input type="checkbox"/> END-OF-PHASE 2a MEETING
<input type="checkbox"/> END-OF-PHASE 2 MEETING
<input type="checkbox"/> RESUBMISSION
<input type="checkbox"/> SAFETY / EFFICACY
<input type="checkbox"/> PAPER NDA
<input type="checkbox"/> CONTROL SUPPLEMENT | <input type="checkbox"/> RESPONSE TO DEFICIENCY LETTER
<input type="checkbox"/> FINAL PRINTED LABELING
<input type="checkbox"/> LABELING REVISION
<input type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL NEW CORRESPONDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> FORMULATIVE REVIEW
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY BELOW): |
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II. BIOMETRICS

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| <input type="checkbox"/> PRIORITY P NDA REVIEW
<input type="checkbox"/> END-OF-PHASE 2 MEETING
<input type="checkbox"/> CONTROLLED STUDIES
<input type="checkbox"/> PROTOCOL REVIEW
<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY BELOW): | <input type="checkbox"/> CHEMISTRY REVIEW
<input type="checkbox"/> PHARMACOLOGY
<input type="checkbox"/> BIOPHARMACEUTICS
<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY BELOW): |
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III. BIOPHARMACEUTICS

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| <input type="checkbox"/> DISSOLUTION
<input type="checkbox"/> BIOAVAILABILITY STUDIES
<input type="checkbox"/> PHASE 4 STUDIES | <input type="checkbox"/> DEFICIENCY LETTER RESPONSE
<input type="checkbox"/> PROTOCOL - BIOPHARMACEUTICS
<input type="checkbox"/> IN-VIVO WAIVER REQUEST |
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IV. DRUG SAFETY

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| <input type="checkbox"/> PHASE 4 SURVEILLANCE/EPIDEMIOLOGY PROTOCOL
<input type="checkbox"/> DRUG USE, e.g., POPULATION EXPOSURE, ASSOCIATED DIAGNOSES
<input type="checkbox"/> CASE REPORTS OF SPECIFIC REACTIONS (List below)
<input type="checkbox"/> COMPARATIVE RISK ASSESSMENT ON GENERIC DRUG GROUP | <input type="checkbox"/> REVIEW OF MARKETING EXPERIENCE, DRUG USE AND SAFETY
<input type="checkbox"/> SUMMARY OF ADVERSE EXPERIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> POISON RISK ANALYSIS |
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V. SCIENTIFIC INVESTIGATIONS

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| <input type="checkbox"/> CLINICAL | <input type="checkbox"/> NONCLINICAL |
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COMMENTS / SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: Daiichi-Sankyo submitted this 505(b)2 application electronically for approval of the proposed fixed dose combination of Pfizer's product, Norvasc (amlodipine besylate) 2.5, 5, and 10 mg Tablets and their product, Benicar (olmesartan medoxomil) 5, 20, and 40 mg Tablets. The sponsor provided paragraph II and III certifications for the two patents listed by Pfizer for Norvasc, as the application relies on reports of investigations in NDA 19-787. The application also relies on the Agency's previous finding of safety and efficacy for information in NDA 21-286 for Benicar.

Please review the proposed labeling for this immediate release, fixed-dose combination film-coated drug product formulated as a once a day tablet available in four dose combinations of 5/20 mg, 5/40 mg, 10/20 mg, and 10/40 mg with the following proposed indications:

- Indicated either alone or in combination with other antihypertensive agents for the treatment of hypertension
- Indicated for initial therapy in patients with hypertension requiring a blood pressure reduction

The labeling was submitted in SPL and PLR format and is available in the EDR. I will provide you with a hard copy for your review.

SIGNATURE OF REQUESTOR

Denise M. Hinton for Akinwale Williams, MD

METHOD OF DELIVERY (Check one)

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MEMORANDUM

To: Denise M. Hinton, RHPM for
Akinwale Williams, MD
Division of Cardiovascular and Renal Products, HFD-110

From: Lisa Hubbard, R.Ph., Regulatory Review Officer
DDMAC, HFD-42

Date: April 25, 2007

Re: Comments on draft labeling:
NDA 22-100
Azor (amlodipine besylate and olmesartan medoxomil)

DDMAC has reviewed the annotated version of the proposed label for NDA 22-100 Azor (amlodipine besylate and olmesartan medoxomil) and offers the following comments with regard to promotional considerations. Proposed wording from the insert is presented in *Italics*, followed by DDMAC comment.

Section 1: INDICATIONS AND USAGE

The proposed PI presents the following statement,

b(4) The proposed indication is promotional in tone. The phrase *b(4)* may be confused with the JNC7 *b(4)*. In addition, as written the proposed indication may unintentionally overstate the efficacy of the product.

Please also consider clarifying the term *b(4)* in order to prevent unsubstantiated efficacy claims in promotional materials. DDMAC notes that a similar statement is found in the last paragraph in section 2 of the proposed label. We recommend that this statement be revised as well.

Section 12.3: Pharmacokinetics/Geriatric

The proposed PI presents the following language prior to a risk statement related to creatinine clearance,

b(4)

The proposed statement appears to minimize the risks associated with olmesartan therapy. DDMAC recommends eliminating the language.

Section 14: CLINICAL STUDIES

The proposed PI presents paragraphs that begin as

b(4)

The proposed paragraphs in their entirety are highly promotional in tone.

The language does not appear in either the Norvasc label or the Benicar label. The language may be used to support misleading promotion by the sponsor.

As stated **b(4)**
during the recent advisory committee meeting, such guidelines are subject to change. DDMAC recommends deleting the first two paragraphs of this section of the label. We also recommend deleting the within the Clinical Trials section of the label and reference section of the label. Because of the overall tone of this proposed section of the PI and in light of recent enforcement activity, DDMAC recommends that the firm use caution with regard to promotional considerations for this product. Specifically, the JNC7 guidelines are not indicative of substantial evidence or substantial clinical experience with regard to the PI or promotional materials and considerations.

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Lisa Hubbard
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