



NDA 21689/S-017

SUPPLEMENT APPROVAL

AstraZeneca LP
Attention: Judy Firor
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Dear Ms. Firor:

Please refer to your Supplemental New Drug Application (sNDA) dated March 31, 2010, received March 31, 2010, submitted under section 505(b) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FDCA) for Nexium[®] I.V. (esomeprazole sodium) for injection, 20 mg, 40 mg.

We acknowledge receipt of your amendments dated May 13, 2010, May 19, 2010, July 27, 2010, October 1, 2010, October 14, 2010, December 22, 2010, April 14, 2011, April 18, 2011, April 21, 2011, and April 22, 2011.

This Prior Approval sNDA provides data to support safety and efficacy on the use of Nexium I.V. for the treatment of Gastroesophageal Reflux Disease (GERD) with erosive esophagitis in patients aged 1 month to 17 years, inclusive, as an alternative to oral therapy when oral NEXIUM is not possible or appropriate. This Supplement is a response to a Postmarketing Commitment under the Pediatric Research Equity Act (PREA) for the treatment of GERD in pediatric patients aged 0 to 17 years.

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), 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 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).

CARTON AND IMMEDIATE CONTAINER LABELS

Submit final printed carton and container labels that are identical to the enclosed carton and immediate container labels, as soon as they are available, but no more than 30 days after they are printed.

Please submit these labels electronically according to the guidance for industry titled “Providing Regulatory Submissions in Electronic Format – Human Pharmaceutical Product Applications and Related Submissions Using the eCTD Specifications (June 2008).” Alternatively, you may submit 12 paper copies, with 6 of the copies individually mounted on heavy-weight paper or similar material. For administrative purposes, designate this submission “**Product Correspondence – Final Printed Carton and Container Labels for approved NDA 21689/S-17.**” Approval of this submission by FDA is not required before the labeling is used.

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.

We note that you have fulfilled the pediatric study requirement for ages 0 to 17 years for this application.

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
Division of Drug Marketing, Advertising, and Communications
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 Division of Drug Marketing, Advertising, and Communications (DDMAC), 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 CDR Stacy Barley, Senior Regulatory Project Manager, at (301) 796-2137.

Sincerely,

{See appended electronic signature page}

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ENCLOSURE(S):

Content of Labeling
Carton and Container Labeling

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ANDREW E MULBERG
04/29/2011