



NDA 022527/S-016

**SUPPLEMENT APPROVAL**

Novartis Pharmaceuticals Corporation  
Attention: Mara Stiles  
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Dear Ms. Stiles:

Please refer to your Supplemental New Drug Application (sNDA) dated and received February 20, 2015, submitted under section 505(b) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FDCA) for Gilenya (fingolimod) 0.5 mg capsules.

We acknowledge receipt of your amendment dated May 12, 2015.

This "Prior Approval" supplemental new drug application provides for a change in the package insert with respect to cryptococcal infections, including cases of cryptococcal meningitis, pursuant to a February 12, 2015, update to the Novartis Core Data Sheet.

**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.

**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 include 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).

### **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 Hamet Touré, PharmD MPH, Regulatory Project Manager, at (301) 796-7534.

Sincerely,

*{See appended electronic signature page}*

Alice Hughes, MD  
Deputy Director for Safety  
Division of Neurology Products  
Office of Drug Evaluation I  
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research

ENCLOSURE:  
Content of Labeling

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ALICE HUGHES  
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