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SUPPLEMENT APPROVAL

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Attention: Paul Imm, Pharm.D.
Associate Director, Global Regulatory Affairs

Dear Dr. Imm:

Please refer to your Supplemental Biologics License Application (sBLA), dated and received June 19, 2014, submitted under section 351(a) of the Public Health Service Act for Simponi (golimumab) injection.

We acknowledge receipt of your amendment dated June 8, 2015.

This “Prior Approval” supplemental biologics application proposes changes to the Simponi SmartJect Autoinjector Instructions for Use (IFU) with new pictorial instructions and an accordion-style printed layout designed to further simplify the IFU and facilitate readability.

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 and with the minor editorial revision indicated in the enclosed labeling.

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, except with the revision indicated, the enclosed labeling (text for the package insert, Medication Guide, and SmartJect Instructions 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/Drugs/GuidanceComplianceRegulatoryInformation/Guidances/UCM072392.pdf.

The SPL will be accessible via 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 with the revisions indicated above 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).

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 none of these criteria apply to your application, you are exempt from this requirement.

REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

We remind you that you must comply with reporting requirements for an approved BLA (in 21 CFR 600.80 and in 21 CFR 600.81).

If you have any questions, call Christine Ford, Regulatory Project Manager, at (301) 796-3420.

Sincerely,

{See appended electronic signature page}

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ENCLOSURE(S):
Content of Labeling
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BADRUL A CHOWDHURY
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