

NDA 204063/S-25

#### SUPPLEMENT APPROVAL

Biogen, Inc. Attention: Trevor Mill Senior Vice President, Global Safety and Regulatory Sciences 225 Binney Street Cambridge, MA 02142

Dear Mr. Mill:

Please refer to your supplemental new drug application (sNDA) dated and received June 12, 2019, and your amendments, submitted under section 505(b) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FDCA) for Tecfidera (dimethyl fumarate) 120 mg and 240 mg capsules.

This Prior Approval supplemental new drug application provides for revisions to the Warnings and Precautions section (5), including the addition of a new subsection (5.3) describing the risk for serious herpes zoster infections and other serious opportunistic infections. Corresponding revisions were also made to Section 6 (Adverse Reactions), Section 17 (Patient Counseling Information), and the Patient Package Insert. In addition, revisions were made to Section 5.2 (Warnings and Precautions; Progressive Multifocal Leukoencephalopathy) pertaining to the degree and duration of lymphopenia reported in postmarketing cases of progressive multifocal leukoencephalopathy to reflect that PML has occurred in the absence of prolonged moderate to severe lymphopenia.

### **APPROVAL & LABELING**

We have completed our review of this application, as amended. It is approved, effective on the date of this letter, for use as recommended in the enclosed agreed-upon 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 FDA.gov.<sup>1</sup> Content of labeling must be identical to the enclosed labeling (text for the Prescribing Information and Patient 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 SPL Standard for Content of Labeling Technical Qs and As.<sup>2</sup>

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 Microsoft Word format, that includes the changes approved in this supplemental application, as well as annual reportable changes. To facilitate review of your submission(s), 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 (which includes new salts and new fixed combinations), 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 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.

<sup>1</sup> http://www.fda.gov/ForIndustry/DataStandards/StructuredProductLabeling/default.htm

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> We update guidances periodically. For the most recent version of a guidance, check the FDA Guidance Documents Database https://www.fda.gov/RegulatoryInformation/Guidances/default.htm.

# **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 Prescribing Information to:

OPDP Regulatory Project Manager Food and Drug Administration Center for Drug Evaluation and Research Office of Prescription Drug Promotion (OPDP) 5901-B Ammendale Road Beltsville, MD 20705-1266

Alternatively, you may submit a request for advisory comments electronically in eCTD format. For more information about submitting promotional materials in eCTD format, see the draft guidance for industry *Providing Regulatory Submissions in Electronic and Non-Electronic Format-Promotional Labeling and Advertising Materials for Human Prescription Drugs.*<sup>3</sup>

You must submit final promotional materials and Prescribing Information, 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 FDA.gov.<sup>4</sup> Information and Instructions for completing the form can be found at FDA.gov.<sup>5</sup> For more information about submission of promotional materials to the Office of Prescription Drug Promotion (OPDP), see FDA.gov.<sup>6</sup>

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 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, by fax to 301-847-8444, or electronically in eCTD format. For more information about submitting promotional materials in eCTD format, see the draft guidance for industry *Providing Regulatory Submissions in Electronic and Non-Electronic Format-Promotional Labeling and Advertising Materials for Human Prescription Drugs*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> When final, this guidance will represent the FDA's current thinking on this topic. For the most recent version of a guidance, check the FDA guidance web page at https://www.fda.gov/RegulatoryInformation/Guidances/default.htm.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> http://www.fda.gov/downloads/AboutFDA/ReportsManualsForms/Forms/UCM083570.pdf

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> 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, please call Sandra Folkendt, Regulatory Project Manager, at (240) 402-2804.

Sincerely,

{See appended electronic signature page}

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# **ENCLOSURE(S):**

- Content of Labeling
  - o Prescribing Information
  - o Patient Package Insert

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