

BLA 761103

BLA APPROVAL

Pfizer Ireland Pharmaceuticals
c/o Pfizer Inc.
Attention: Christine Kobryn, PhD
Director, Worldwide Regulatory Strategy
445 Easter Point Road
Groton, CT 06340

Dear Dr. Kobryn:

Please refer to your biologics license application (BLA) dated July 25, 2018, received July 25, 2018, and your amendments, submitted under section 351(k) of the Public Health Service Act for RUXIENCE (rituximab-pvvr) injection, 100 mg/10 mL (10 mg/mL) and 500 mg/50 mL (10 mg/mL).

LICENSING

We have approved your BLA for RUXIENCE (rituximab-pvvr) effective this date. You are hereby authorized to introduce or deliver for introduction into interstate commerce, RUXIENCE under your existing Department of Health and Human Services U.S. License No. 2060. RUXIENCE (rituximab-pvvr) is indicated for the treatment of adult patients with:

- Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma (NHL)
 - Relapsed or refractory, low grade or follicular, CD20-positive B-cell NHL as a single agent.
 - Previously untreated follicular, CD20-positive, B-cell NHL in combination with first line chemotherapy and, in patients achieving a complete or partial response to a rituximab product in combination with chemotherapy, as single-agent maintenance therapy.
 - Non-progressing (including stable disease), low-grade, CD20-positive, B-cell NHL as a single agent after first-line cyclophosphamide, vincristine, and prednisone (CVP) chemotherapy.
 - Previously untreated diffuse large B-cell, CD20-positive NHL in combination with (cyclophosphamide, doxorubicin, vincristine, and prednisone) (CHOP) or other anthracycline-based chemotherapy regimens.
- Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia (CLL)
 - Previously untreated and previously treated CD20-positive CLL in combination with fludarabine and cyclophosphamide (FC).

- Granulomatosis with Polyangiitis (GPA) (Wegener's Granulomatosis) and Microscopic Polyangiitis (MPA) in adult patients in combination with glucocorticoids.

MANUFACTURING LOCATIONS

Under this license, you are approved to manufacture rituximab-pvvr drug substance at (b) (4). The final formulated drug product will be manufactured, filled, labeled, and packaged at Pfizer Manufacturing Belgium NV in Puurs, Belgium. You may label your product with the proprietary name, RUXIENCE, and market it in 500 mg/50 mL (10 mg/mL) and 100 mg/10 mL (10 mg/mL) injection.

DATING PERIOD

The dating period for RUXIENCE shall be 24 months from the date of manufacture when stored at 2°C to 8°C. The date of manufacture shall be defined as the date of final sterile filtration of the formulated drug product. The dating period for your drug substance (b) (4) shall be (b) (4) months from the date of manufacture when stored (b) (4).

FDA LOT RELEASE

You are not currently required to submit samples of future lots of RUXIENCE to the Center for Drug Evaluation and Research (CDER) for release by the Director, CDER, under 21 CFR 610.2. We will continue to monitor compliance with 21 CFR 610.1, requiring completion of tests for conformity with standards applicable to each product prior to release of each lot.

Any changes in the manufacturing, testing, packaging, or labeling of RUXIENCE, or in the manufacturing facilities, will require the submission of information to your biologics license application for our review and written approval, consistent with 21 CFR 601.12.

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.

WAIVER OF ½ PAGE LENGTH REQUIREMENT FOR HIGHLIGHTS

We are waiving the requirements of 21 CFR 201.57(d)(8) regarding the length of Highlights of Prescribing Information. This waiver applies to all future supplements containing revised labeling unless we notify you otherwise.

U.S. Food and Drug Administration
Silver Spring, MD 20993
www.fda.gov

CONTENT OF LABELING

As soon as possible, but no later than 14 days from the date of this letter, submit, via the FDA automated drug registration and listing system (eLIST), the content of labeling [21 CFR 601.14(b)] in structured product labeling (SPL) format, as described at FDA.gov.¹ Content of labeling must be identical to the enclosed labeling (text for the Prescribing Information and Medication Guide). 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*.²

The SPL will be accessible via publicly available labeling repositories.

CARTON AND CONTAINER LABELING

Submit final printed carton and container labeling that are identical to the carton and container labeling submitted on May 10, 2019, as soon as they are available, but no more than 30 days after they are printed. Please submit these labeling electronically according to the guidance for industry *Providing Regulatory Submissions in Electronic Format — Certain Human Pharmaceutical Product Applications and Related Submissions Using the eCTD Specifications*. For administrative purposes, designate this submission “**Final Printed Carton and Container Labeling for approved BLA 761103.**” 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 (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(s) in pediatric patients unless this requirement is waived, deferred, or inapplicable.

At this time, we have determined that no pediatric studies will be required under PREA for your BLA.

POSTMARKETING COMMITMENTS NOT SUBJECT TO THE REPORTING REQUIREMENTS UNDER SECTION 506B

We remind you of your postmarketing commitment:

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

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

PMC 3639-1 Re-evaluate the drug product lot release and stability acceptance criteria for the FcγRIIIa reporter gene assay after release data from 30 drug product lots derived from independent drug substance batches are available and with consideration of available stability data. The final report should include the corresponding data, the analysis thereof, and any proposed changes to the drug product release or stability specifications resulting from the assessment.

The timetable you submitted on May 10, 2019, states that you will conduct this study according to the following schedule:

Final Report Submission: 12/2023

Submit clinical protocols to your IND 110426 for this product. Submit nonclinical and chemistry, manufacturing, and controls protocols and all postmarketing final reports to this BLA. In addition, under 21 CFR 601.70 you should include a status summary of each commitment in your annual progress report of postmarketing studies to this BLA. The status summary should include expected summary completion and final report submission dates, any changes in plans since the last annual report, and, for clinical studies/trials, number of patients entered into each study/trial. All submissions, including supplements, relating to these postmarketing commitments should be prominently labeled “**Postmarketing Commitment Protocol**,” “**Postmarketing Commitment Final Report**,” or “**Postmarketing Commitment Correspondence**.”

PROMOTIONAL MATERIALS

You may request advisory comments on proposed introductory advertising and promotional labeling. To do so, submit, in triplicate, a cover letter requesting advisory comments, the proposed materials in draft or mock-up form with annotated references, and the Prescribing Information, Medication Guide, and Patient Package Insert (as applicable) to:

Food and Drug Administration
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research
Office of Prescription Drug Promotion
5901-B Ammendale Road
Beltsville, MD 20705-1266

As required under 21 CFR 601.12(f)(4), you must submit final promotional materials, and the Patient Package Insert, at the time of initial dissemination or publication, accompanied by a Form FDA 2253. Form FDA 2253 is available at FDA.gov.³ Information and Instructions for completing the form can be found at FDA.gov.⁴ For

³ <http://www.fda.gov/downloads/AboutFDA/ReportsManualsForms/Forms/UCM083570.pdf>

⁴ <http://www.fda.gov/downloads/AboutFDA/ReportsManualsForms/Forms/UCM375154.pdf>

more information about submission of promotional materials to the Office of Prescription Drug Promotion (OPDP), see FDA.gov.⁵

REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

You must submit adverse experience reports under the adverse experience reporting requirements for licensed biological products (21 CFR 600.80).

Prominently identify all adverse experience reports as described in 21 CFR 600.80.

You must submit distribution reports under the distribution reporting requirements for licensed biological products (21 CFR 600.81).

You must submit reports of biological product deviations under 21 CFR 600.14. You should promptly identify and investigate all manufacturing deviations, including those associated with processing, testing, packing, labeling, storage, holding and distribution. If the deviation involves a distributed product, may affect the safety, purity, or potency of the product, and meets the other criteria in the regulation, you must submit a report on Form FDA 3486 to:

Food and Drug Administration
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research
Division of Compliance Risk Management and Surveillance
5901-B Ammendale Road
Beltsville, MD 20705-1266

Biological product deviations, sent by courier or overnight mail, should be addressed to:

Food and Drug Administration
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research
Division of Compliance Risk Management and Surveillance
10903 New Hampshire Avenue, Bldg. 51, Room 4207
Silver Spring, MD 20903

BsUFA II APPLICANT INTERVIEW

FDA has contracted with Eastern Research Group, Inc. (ERG) to conduct an independent interim and final assessment of the Program for Enhanced Review Transparency and Communication for Original 351(k) BLAs under BsUFA II ('the Program'). The BsUFA II Commitment Letter states that these assessments will include interviews with applicants following FDA action on applications reviewed in the Program. For this purpose, first-cycle actions include approvals, complete responses, and withdrawals after filing. The purpose of the interview is to better understand

⁵ <http://www.fda.gov/AboutFDA/CentersOffices/CDER/ucm090142.htm>

applicant experiences with the Program and its ability to improve transparency and communication during FDA review.

ERG will contact you to schedule a BsUFA II applicant interview and provide specifics about the interview process. Your responses during the interview will be confidential with respect to the FDA review team. ERG has signed a non-disclosure agreement and will not disclose any identifying information to anyone outside their project team. They will report only anonymized results and findings in the interim and final assessments. Members of the FDA review team will be interviewed by ERG separately. While your participation in the interview is voluntary, your feedback will be helpful to these assessments.

If you have any questions, call Jennifer Lee, Senior Regulatory Health Project Manager, at (240) 402-4622.

Sincerely,

{See appended electronic signature page}

Ann T. Farrell, MD
Director
Division of Hematology Products
Office of Hematology and Oncology Products
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research

ENCLOSURES:

- Content of Labeling
 - Prescribing Information
 - Medication Guide

This is a representation of an electronic record that was signed electronically. Following this are manifestations of any and all electronic signatures for this electronic record.

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