



NDA 50616/S-039

SUPPLEMENT APPROVAL

Novartis Pharmaceuticals Corporation
Attention: Katerina Tsironi, MBA
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Dear Ms. Tsironi:

Please refer to your supplemental new drug application (sNDA) dated and received June 27, 2017, submitted under section 505(b) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FDCA) for TOBRADEX (tobramycin and dexamethasone ophthalmic ointment). We acknowledge receipt of your amendment dated November 15, 2018, which constituted a complete response to our December 18, 2017, action letter. This Prior Approval supplemental new drug application proposes revisions to the Warnings, Precautions, and Adverse Reactions sections of the Prescribing Information.

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.¹ Content of labeling must be identical to the enclosed labeling (text for the Prescribing Information), 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*.²

The SPL will be accessible from publicly available labeling repositories.

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 <https://www.fda.gov/RegulatoryInformation/Guidances/default.htm>.

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).

CARTON AND CONTAINER LABELING

Submit final printed carton and container 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 NDA 50616/S-039.**” Approval of this submission by FDA is not required before the labeling is used.

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 Derek Alberding, Regulatory Health Project Manager, at (240) 402-0963.

Sincerely,

{See appended electronic signature page}

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ENCLOSURE:

- Content of Labeling
 - Prescribing Information

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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