Dear Dr. Evans:

Please refer to your supplemental new drug application (sNDA) dated June 19, 2020, received June 19, 2020, and your amendments, submitted under section 505(b) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FDCA) for Xeljanz (tofacitinib) Tablet and Xeljanz (tofacitinib) Extended Release Tablet.

Also, refer to your supplemental new drug application (sNDA) dated September 1, 2021, received September 1, 2021, and your amendments, submitted under section 505(b) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FDCA) for Xeljanz (tofacitinib) Oral Solution.

We acknowledge receipt of your major amendment dated March 8, 2021, which extended the goal date by three months.

Prior Approval supplemental new drug applications NDA 203214 S-028 and NDA 208246 S-013 provide for the addition of the indication of the treatment of adult patients with active ankylosing spondylitis who have had an inadequate response or intolerance to one or more TNF blockers, to the prescribing information.

Prior Approval supplemental new drug application NDA 213082 S-003 provides for alignment of the labeling for the oral solution formulation.

**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**

Please note that we have previously granted a waiver of the requirements of 21 CFR 201.57(d)(8) regarding the length of Highlights of Prescribing Information.
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, Instructions for Use, 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 SPL Standard for Content of Labeling Technical Qs and As.²

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.

We are waiving the pediatric study requirement for this application because necessary studies are impossible or highly impracticable.

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.

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PROMOTIONAL MATERIALS

You may request advisory comments on proposed introductory advertising and promotional labeling. For information about submitting promotional materials, see the final guidance for industry *Providing Regulatory Submissions in Electronic and Non-Electronic Format-Promotional Labeling and Advertising Materials for Human Prescription Drugs.*

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. Information and Instructions for completing the form can be found at FDA.gov.

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 Elaine Sit, Regulatory Project Manager, at (301) 796-5073.

Sincerely,

{See appended electronic signature page}

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ENCLOSURE(S):

- Content of Labeling
  - Prescribing Information
  - Medication Guide
  - Instructions for Use

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3 For the most recent version of a guidance, check the FDA guidance web page at https://www.fda.gov/media/128163/download.

4 http://www.fda.gov/downloads/AboutFDA/ReportsManualsForms/Forms/UCM083570.pdf

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

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