

BLA 125118/S-249

#### SUPPLEMENT APPROVAL

Bristol Myers Squibb Company
Attention: Kerrie Nagrod
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# Dear Kerrie Nagrod:

Please refer to your supplemental biologics license application (sBLA), dated and received July 21, 2023, and your amendments, submitted under section 351(a) of the Public Health Service Act for Orencia (abatacept), solution for injection.

This "Changes Being Effected" supplemental biologics application updates the instructions for use (IFU) for the Orencia 125 mg/mL autoinjector (ClickJect) to clarify instructions for removal of the needle cover.

# **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 HIGHLIGHTS 1/2 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, 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,<sup>1</sup> that is identical to the enclosed labeling attached below and include the labeling changes proposed in any pending "Changes Being Effected" (CBE) supplements.

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

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 via publicly available labeling repositories.

Also within 14 days, amend all pending supplemental applications that include labeling changes for this BLA, including pending "Changes Being Effected" (CBE) supplements, for which FDA has not yet issued an action letter, with the content of labeling [21 CFR 601.12(f)] 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(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).

Your product is a Part 3 combination product (21 CFR 3.2(e)); therefore, you must also comply with postmarketing safety reporting requirements for an approved combination product (21 CFR 4, Subpart B). Additional information on combination product postmarketing safety reporting is available at FDA.gov.

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

If you have any questions, call Susie Choi, Regulatory Project Manager, at 240-402-2925.

Sincerely,

{See appended electronic signature page}

Rachel Glaser, MD
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Office of Immunology and Inflammation
Office of New Drugs
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research

# ENCLOSURE(S):

Content of Labeling

- Prescribing Information (version approved October 30, 2023, in S-250)
- Patient Information (version approved October 30, 2023, in S-250)
- Instructions for Use prefilled syringe (version approved October 30, 2023, in S-250)
- Instructions for Use autoinjector

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