Approval Package for:

APPLICATION NUMBER: 205060Orig1s000

Trade Name: Epanova capsules, 1 gram

Generic Name: Omega-3-carboxylic acids

Sponsor: Omthera Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

Approval Date: May 5, 2014

Indications: An adjunct to diet to reduce triglyceride (TG) levels in adult patients with severe (≥ 500 mg/dL) hypertriglyceridemia.
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APPROVAL LETTER
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration
Silver Spring MD 20993

NDA 205060

Omthera Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
Agent for AstraZeneca Pharmaceuticals LP
Attention: Samia M. Siddiqui, Ph.D.
Director, Regulatory Affairs
707 State Road
Princeton, NJ 08540

Dear Dr. Siddiqui:

Please refer to your New Drug Application (NDA) dated July 3, 2013, received July 5, 2013, submitted under section 505(b) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FDCA) for Epanova (omega-3-carboxylic acids) capsules, 1 gram.

We acknowledge receipt of your amendments dated July 17, August 2, October 15, 21 and 22, November 5, 7 and 26, December 3, 6, 30 and 31, 2013; January 3, 15 and 24, February 5, 14, 21, 24, 25 (2), March 4, 17, 20 and 21, April 4, 15 and 16, 2014. We also acknowledge receipt of your email dated May 2, 2014, stating your agreement to the labeling revisions (package insert/patient information) that we communicated to you by email on May 2, 2014.

This new drug application provides for the use of Epanova (omega-3 carboxylic acids) capsules as an adjunct to diet to reduce triglyceride (TG) levels in adult patients with severe (≥ 500 mg/dL) hypertriglyceridemia.

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 text.

Sufficient stability data has been submitted to support a 30-month expiration date for all container/closure systems.

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 http://www.fda.gov/ForIndustry/DataStandards/StructuredProductLabeling/default.htm. Content of labeling must be identical to the enclosed labeling (text for the package insert, text for the patient package insert). Information on submitting SPL files using eLIST may be found in the

CARTON AND IMMEDIATE CONTAINER LABELS

Submit final printed carton and immediate container labels that are identical to the enclosed carton and immediate container labels as soon as they are available, but no more than 30 days after they are printed. Please submit these labels electronically according to the guidance for industry Providing Regulatory Submissions in Electronic Format – Human Pharmaceutical Product Applications and Related Submissions Using the eCTD Specifications (June 2008). Alternatively, you may submit 12 paper copies, with 6 of the copies individually mounted on heavy-weight paper or similar material. For administrative purposes, designate this submission “Final Printed Carton and Container Labels for approved NDA 205060.” Approval of this submission by FDA is not required before the labeling is used.

Marketing the product(s) with FPL that is not identical to the approved labeling text may render the product misbranded and an unapproved new drug.

REQUIRED PEDIATRIC ASSESSMENTS

Under the Pediatric Research Equity Act (PREA) (21 U.S.C. 355c), all applications for new active ingredients, 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.

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

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 package insert 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 314.81(b)(3)(i), you must submit final promotional materials, and the package insert, at the time of initial dissemination or publication, accompanied by a Form FDA 2253. Form FDA 2253 is available at

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 Kati Johnson, Regulatory Project Manager, at (301) 796-1234.

Sincerely,

{See appended electronic signature page}

Eric Colman, MD
Deputy Director
Division of Metabolism and Endocrinology Products
Office of Drug Evaluation II
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research

Enclosures:
Content of Labeling
Carton and Container Labeling
  -Sample Blister Card (6 capsules)
  -Sample Blister Carton Label
  -Sample Blister Carton Display Case (6 blister cartons)
  -Trade Bottle (60 capsules)
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/s/

Eric C Coleman
05/05/2014