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**ADMINISTRATIVE and CORRESPONDENCE
DOCUMENTS**



IND 122464

MEETING PRELIMINARY COMMENTS

Athenex, Inc. dba Kinex Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
Attention: Paola Teegarden, MS
Associate Director of Regulatory Affairs
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Buffalo, NY 14203

Dear Ms. Teegarden:

Please refer to your investigational new drug application (IND) submitted under section 505(i) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act for tirbanibulin ointment, 1%.

We also refer to your correspondence dated and received August 2, 2019, requesting a meeting to discuss the content and format of the NDA submission for tirbanibulin ointment, 1%.

Our preliminary responses to your meeting questions are enclosed.

You should provide, to the Regulatory Project Manager, a hardcopy or electronic version of any materials (i.e., slides or handouts) to be presented and/or discussed at the meeting.

In accordance with 21 CFR 10.65(e) and FDA policy, you may not electronically record the discussion at this meeting. The official record of this meeting will be the FDA-generated minutes.

If you have any questions, call me at 240-402-4880.

Sincerely,

{See appended electronic signature page}

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Office of Drug Evaluation III
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research

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ENCLOSURE:

- Preliminary Meeting Comments

- 42 • End-of-Phase-2 Meeting: December 12, 2016

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44 We have sent the following correspondences:

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- 46 • Type C Meeting-Preliminary Comments: May 14, 2018
- 47 • Pediatric Study Plan- Initial Agreement: September 15, 2017
- 48 • Pediatric Study Plan- Written Response: June 23, 2017
- 49 • Study May Proceed: July 31, 2014

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51 **2.0 DISCUSSION**

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53 **2.1. Regulatory**

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55 **Question 1:**

56 Does the Agency agree that the proposed content and format of the NDA as outlined in
57 the documents provided, with clinical data limited to tirbanibulin ointment 1% in actinic
58 keratosis, support filing and review of the NDA?

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60 **FDA Response to Question 1:**

61 Marketing or licensing applications submitted to the FDA include a description and
62 analysis of all available information and data relevant to an evaluation of the safety and
63 effectiveness of the drug product, in accordance with the regulations for NDA
64 submissions [21 CFR 314.50(d)(5)(iv)].

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66 See additional responses below which address your specific inquiries regarding the ISS
67 and ISE.

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69 **2.2. Chemistry, Manufacturing and Controls (CMC)**

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71 **Question 2:**

72 Does the Agency agree that the proposed content of the Quality modules for the
73 planned commercialization of tirbanibulin ointment 1% is adequate to support the NDA
74 filing and review?

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76 **FDA Response to Question 2:**

77 From the API standpoint, we note your plan to cross-reference a DMF that will be
78 submitted (b)(4) in the 4th quarter of 2019. We also note that (b)(4)
79 (b)(4) has supplied active pharmaceutical ingredient (API) for the clinical program.
80 Cross-reference to a DMF with an appropriate Letter of Authorization is acceptable.
81 However, for ease of review, in addition to the drug substance batch analysis and
82 stability data, provide the following information in the NDA for ease of review: General
83 information, physico-chemical properties, and Specifications.

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85 We also note your plan to submit a second API manufacturer in the NDA after
86 submission of the NDA. If this is planned for the initial review cycle, as opposed to a

87 Post-Approval Supplement, this is not acceptable. The NDA should be complete upon
88 submission. In order to qualify a second supplier of API, you would need to provide
89 complete CMC information on the new supplier and provide side-by-side comparison
90 that the API from both manufacturers is equivalent. In addition, stability data will need
91 to be provided on API from the new supplier. All manufacturing sites for the new
92 supplier would need to be ready for inspection at the time of NDA submission. Refer to
93 the September 2018 draft guidance for industry, *Postapproval Changes to Drug*
94 *Substances* (<https://www.fda.gov/media/115733/download>) for the scientific thinking on
95 the scope of information that may need to be provided to support addition of a new API
96 supplier.

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98 The drug product information you intend to provide in your NDA submission seems
99 reasonable. However, the adequacy of the information provided will be determined
100 during the review of your application. We remind you that the drug product container
101 closure should be qualified through leachable/extractable studies.

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103 Acceptability of the drug product manufactured using APIs from the new manufacturer
104 will depend on the comparability of the APIs manufactured at the original and new
105 manufacturing sites as well as the comparability of the supporting drug product stability
106 data.

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108 **2.3. Nonclinical**

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110 **Question 3:**

111 Does the Agency agree that the Sponsor has addressed the Agency's
112 recommendations previously provided for the Nonclinical Program?

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114 **FDA Response to Question 3:**

115 Judging by the summary provided in the briefing document, it appears the data
116 described may adequately address the issues we previously raised. However, the
117 adequacy of the data will be determined during review.

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119 **Question 4:**

120 Does the Agency agree that the organizational structure and content described in the
121 proposed Module 2.4 (Nonclinical Overview) and Module 2.6 (Nonclinical Written and
122 Tabulated Summaries) tables of contents support the filing and review of the NDA?

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124 **FDA Response to Question 4:**

125 The adequacy of the submission will be determined during review of the NDA.

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127 **2.4. Clinical Pharmacology**

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129 **Question 5:**

130 Does the Agency agree that the current clinical pharmacology package is sufficient to
131 support the filing and review of the NDA?

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FDA Response to Question 5:

134 Your overall clinical pharmacology program appears reasonable to support filing of your
135 NDA and the adequacy of data will be reviewed in detail at the time of your NDA
136 submission.

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138 In your NDA you should submit PK data in Statistical Analysis System (SAS) transport
139 format and you should submit bioanalytical method validation and bioanalysis reports
140 for review.

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2.5. Biostatistics/Clinical

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Question 6:

145 Does the Agency agree that the content and presentation of efficacy results, with the
146 written integration strategies within Module 2.7.3, are acceptable for filing and review of
147 the NDA, and that a Module 5 ISE is not required?

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FDA Response to Question 6:

150 We consider the ISE and ISS critical components of the clinical efficacy and safety
151 portions of a marketing or licensing application. Therefore, the ISE and ISS are required
152 in applications submitted to the FDA in accordance with the regulations for NDA
153 submissions (21 CFR 314.50(d)(5)(v) and 21 CFR 314.50(d)(5)(vi)(a), respectively).
154 Refer to the guidance for industry documents, *Integrated Summary of Effectiveness,*
155 *and Integrated Summaries of Effectiveness and Safety: Location Within the Common*
156 *Technical Document.*

157 Note that the purpose of the ISE is to describe the available information regarding
158 effectiveness, delineate strengths and weaknesses, and highlight important missing
159 information per the guidance for industry, *Integrated Summary of Effectiveness.*

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Question 7:

162 Does the Agency agree that the content and presentation of safety results, with the
163 written integration strategies within the Module 2.7.4, are acceptable for filing and
164 review of the NDA, and that a Module 5 ISS is not required?

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FDA Response to Question 7:

167 See response to Question 6.

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3.0 ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS

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DISCUSSION OF THE CONTENT OF A COMPLETE APPLICATION

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173 As stated in our August 20, 2019 communication granting this meeting, if, at the time of
174 submission, the application that is the subject of this meeting is for a new molecular
175 entity or an original biologic, the application will be subject to “the Program” under
176 PDUFA VI. Therefore, at this meeting be prepared to discuss and reach agreement with

177 FDA on the content of a complete application, including preliminary discussions on the
178 need for risk evaluation and mitigation strategies (REMS) or other risk management
179 actions and, where applicable, the development of a Formal Communication Plan. You
180 and FDA may also reach agreement on submission of a limited number of minor
181 application components to be submitted not later than 30 days after the submission of
182 the original application. These submissions must be of a type that would not be
183 expected to materially impact the ability of the review team to begin its review. All major
184 components of the application are expected to be included in the original application
185 and are not subject to agreement for late submission.

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187 Discussions and agreements will be summarized at the conclusion of the meeting and
188 reflected in FDA's meeting minutes. If you decide to cancel this meeting and do not
189 have agreement with FDA on the content of a complete application or late submission of
190 any minor application components, your application is expected to be complete at the
191 time of original submission.

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193 In addition, we remind you that the application is expected to include a comprehensive
194 and readily located list of all clinical sites and manufacturing facilities.

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196 Information on the Program is available at [FDA.gov](https://www.fda.gov).¹

197 **PREA REQUIREMENTS**

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199 Under the Pediatric Research Equity Act (PREA) (21 U.S.C. 355c), all applications for
200 new active ingredients (which includes new salts and new fixed combinations), new
201 indications, new dosage forms, new dosing regimens, or new routes of administration
202 are required to contain an assessment of the safety and effectiveness of the product for
203 the claimed indication(s) in pediatric patients unless this requirement is waived,
204 deferred, or inapplicable.

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206 Please be advised that under the Food and Drug Administration Safety and Innovation
207 Act (FDASIA), you must submit an Initial Pediatric Study Plan (iPSP) within 60 days of
208 an End-of-Phase-2 (EOP2) meeting. In the absence of an EOP2 meeting, refer to the
209 draft guidance below. The iPSP must contain an outline of the pediatric study or studies
210 that you plan to conduct (including, to the extent practicable study objectives and
211 design, age groups, relevant endpoints, and statistical approach); any request for a
212 deferral, partial waiver, or waiver, if applicable, along with any supporting
213 documentation, and any previously negotiated pediatric plans with other regulatory
214 authorities. The iPSP should be submitted in PDF and Word format. Failure to include
215 an Agreed iPSP with a marketing application could result in a refuse to file action.

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218 For additional guidance on the timing, content, and submission of the iPSP, including an
219 iPSP Template, please refer to the draft guidance for industry *Pediatric Study Plans*:

¹ <https://www.fda.gov/ForIndustry/UserFees/PrescriptionDrugUserFee/default.htm>

220 *Content of and Process for Submitting Initial Pediatric Study Plans and Amended*
221 *Pediatric Study Plans.*² In addition, you may contact the Division of Pediatric and
222 Maternal Health at 301-796-2200 or email Pedsdrugs@fda.hhs.gov. For further
223 guidance on pediatric product development, please refer to FDA.gov.³
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225 **PRESCRIBING INFORMATION**

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227 In your application, you must submit proposed prescribing information (PI) that
228 conforms to the content and format regulations found at 21 CFR 201.56(a) and (d) and
229 201.57 including the Pregnancy and Lactation Labeling Rule (PLLR) (for applications
230 submitted on or after June 30, 2015). As you develop your proposed PI, we encourage
231 you to review the labeling review resources on the PLR Requirements for Prescribing
232 Information⁴ and Pregnancy and Lactation Labeling Final Rule⁵ websites, which include:
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- 234 • The Final Rule (Physician Labeling Rule) on the content and format of the PI for
235 human drug and biological products.

- 236 • The Final Rule (Pregnancy and Lactation Labeling Rule) on the content and
237 format of information related to pregnancy, lactation, and females and males of
238 reproductive potential.

- 239 • Regulations and related guidance documents.

- 240 • A sample tool illustrating the format for Highlights and Contents, and

- 241 • The Selected Requirements for Prescribing Information (SRPI) – a checklist of
242 important format items from labeling regulations and guidances.

- 243 • FDA’s established pharmacologic class (EPC) text phrases for inclusion in the
244 Highlights Indications and Usage heading.

245 Pursuant to the PLLR, you should include the following information with your application
246 to support the changes in the Pregnancy, Lactation, and Females and Males of
247 Reproductive Potential subsections of labeling. The application should include a review
248 and summary of the available published literature regarding the drug’s use in pregnant

² When final, this guidance will represent the FDA’s current thinking on this topic. For the most recent version of a guidance, check the FDA guidance web page at <https://www.fda.gov/RegulatoryInformation/Guidances/default.htm>.

³ <https://www.fda.gov/drugs/development-resources/pediatric-and-maternal-health-product-development>

⁴ <https://www.fda.gov/drugs/laws-acts-and-rules/plr-requirements-prescribing-information>

⁵ <https://www.fda.gov/drugs/labeling/pregnancy-and-lactation-labeling-drugs-final-rule>

249 and lactating women and the effects of the drug on male and female fertility (include
250 search parameters and a copy of each reference publication), a cumulative review and
251 summary of relevant cases reported in your pharmacovigilance database (from the time
252 of product development to present), a summary of drug utilization rates amongst
253 females of reproductive potential (e.g., aged 15 to 44 years) calculated cumulatively
254 since initial approval, and an interim report of an ongoing pregnancy registry or a final
255 report on a closed pregnancy registry. If you believe the information is not applicable,
256 provide justification. Otherwise, this information should be located in Module 1. Refer to
257 the draft guidance for industry *Pregnancy, Lactation, and Reproductive Potential:*
258 *Labeling for Human Prescription Drug and Biological Products – Content and Format.*

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260 Prior to submission of your proposed PI, use the SRPI checklist to ensure conformance
261 with the format items in regulations and guidances.

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263 **DISCUSSION OF SAFETY ANALYSIS STRATEGY FOR THE ISS**

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265 After initiation of all trials planned for the phase 3 program, you should consider
266 requesting a Type C meeting to gain agreement on the safety analysis strategy for the
267 Integrated Summary of Safety (ISS) and related data requirements. Topics of
268 discussion at this meeting would include pooling strategy (i.e., specific studies to be
269 pooled and analytic methodology intended to manage between-study design
270 differences, if applicable), specific queries including use of specific standardized
271 MedDRA queries (SMQs), and other important analyses intended to support safety. The
272 meeting should be held after you have drafted an analytic plan for the ISS, and prior to
273 programming work for pooled or other safety analyses planned for inclusion in the ISS.
274 This meeting, if held, would precede the Pre-NDA meeting. Note that this meeting is
275 optional; the issues can instead be addressed at the pre-NDA meeting.

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277 To optimize the output of this meeting, submit the following documents for review as
278 part of the briefing package:

279 • Description of all trials to be included in the ISS. Please provide a tabular listing
280 of clinical trials including appropriate details.

281 • ISS statistical analysis plan, including proposed pooling strategy, rationale for
282 inclusion or exclusion of trials from the pooled population(s), and planned
283 analytic strategies to manage differences in trial designs (e.g., in length,
284 randomization ratio imbalances, study populations, etc.).

285 • For a phase 3 program that includes trial(s) with multiple periods (e.g., double-
286 blind randomized period, long-term extension period, etc.), submit planned
287 criteria for analyses across the program for determination of start / end of trial
288 period (i.e., method of assignment of study events to a specific study period).

289 • Prioritized list of previously observed and anticipated safety issues to be

290 evaluated, and planned analytic strategy including any SMQs, modifications to
291 specific SMQs, or sponsor-created groupings of Preferred Terms. A rationale
292 supporting any proposed modifications to an SMQ or sponsor-created groupings
293 should be provided.

294 When requesting this meeting, clearly mark your submission “**DISCUSS SAFETY**
295 **ANALYSIS STRATEGY FOR THE ISS**” in large font, bolded type at the beginning of
296 the cover letter for the Type C meeting request.

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298 **OFFICE OF SCIENTIFIC INVESTIGATIONS (OSI) REQUESTS**

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300 The Office of Scientific Investigations (OSI) requests that the items described in the
301 draft guidance for industry *Standardized Format for Electronic Submission of NDA and*
302 *BLA Content for the Planning of Bioresearch Monitoring (BIMO) Inspections for CDER*
303 *Submissions* (February 2018) and the associated *Bioresearch Monitoring Technical*
304 *Conformance Guide Containing Technical Specifications* be provided to facilitate
305 development of clinical investigator and sponsor/monitor/CRO inspection assignments,
306 and the background packages that are sent with those assignments to the FDA ORA
307 investigators who conduct those inspections. This information is requested for all major
308 trials used to support safety and efficacy in the application (i.e., phase 2/3 pivotal trials).
309 Please note that if the requested items are provided elsewhere in submission in the
310 format described, the Applicant can describe location or provide a link to the requested
311 information.

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313 Please refer to the draft guidance for industry *Standardized Format for Electronic*
314 *Submission of NDA and BLA Content for the Planning of Bioresearch Monitoring*
315 *(BIMO) Inspections for CDER Submissions* (February 2018) and the associated
316 *Bioresearch Monitoring Technical Conformance Guide Containing Technical*
317 *Specifications*.⁶

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⁶ <https://www.fda.gov/media/85061/download>

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MEETING MINUTES

Athenex, Inc.
d/b/a Kinex Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
Attention: Thomas J. Moutvic
Vice President of Regulatory Affairs
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Dear Mr. Moutvic:

Please refer to your Investigational New Drug Application (IND) submitted under section 505(i) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act for KX2-391 ointment, 1%.

We also refer to the meeting between representatives of your firm and the FDA on December 12, 2016. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the development program for KX2-391 ointment, 1%.

A copy of the official minutes of the meeting is enclosed for your information. Please notify us of any significant differences in understanding regarding the meeting outcomes.

If you have any questions, call Cristina Attinello, Senior Regulatory Project Manager at (301) 796-3986.

Sincerely,

{See appended electronic signature page}

Kendall A. Marcus, MD
Director
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Enclosure:
Meeting Minutes



FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION
CENTER FOR DRUG EVALUATION AND RESEARCH

MEMORANDUM OF MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Type: Type B
Meeting Category: End of Phase 2

Meeting Date and Time: December 12, 2016, 8:30 am
Meeting Location: WO22, Rm. 1311

Application Number: IND 122464
Product Name: KX2-391 ointment, 1%
Proposed Indication: for the topical treatment (b) (4) actinic keratosis on the face and scalp

Sponsor Name: Athenex, Inc.

Meeting Chair: Kendall Marcus, MD
Meeting Recorder: Cristina Attinello, MPH

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Hui Wang, Biostatistician, Kinex

1.0 BACKGROUND

Purpose of Teleconference:

The primary purpose of this teleconference is to discuss the development program for KX2-391 ointment, 1%.

Regulatory Correspondence History:

We have sent the following correspondences:

- 7/31/2014 Study May Proceed Letter
- 7/7/2014 Information Request

2.0 DISCUSSION

2.1. Clinical

No Chemistry, Manufacturing and Controls questions were posed in the meeting package.

Question 1:

The Sponsor proposes to develop KX2-391 ointment 1% as a topical treatment (b) (4) actinic keratosis on the face and scalp.

Is this proposed indication acceptable? If not, what would be an acceptable indication?

FDA Response to Question 1:

The proposed indication is reasonable, but the precise labeling terminology will be determined during NDA review.

Question 2:

The proposed size of the safety database is approximately 600 subjects on active treatment, including subjects from studies KX01-AK-01-US and KX01-AK-002 and the proposed Phase 3 program.

Is the size of the safety database acceptable? If not, how many subjects would need to be included in the safety database?

FDA Response to Question 2:

The proposed number of subjects on active treatment may be acceptable, depending on the safety experience of your product.

Question 3:

We propose to conduct two Phase 3 efficacy studies. Subjects with complete response in both studies will be followed for recurrence in a common recurrence follow-up protocol. DRAFT synopses of the proposed Phase 3 studies are provided in **Error! Reference source not found.** and **Error! Reference source not found.** APPEARS THIS WAY ON ORIGINAL

If successful, would the 2 proposed randomized, vehicle-controlled Phase 3 studies with a 12-month recurrence follow-up be adequate to support an NDA submission? If not, what additional information would be required?

FDA Response to Question 3:

Your proposed approach to conduct two safety and efficacy trials and assess long term safety appears to be reasonable, assuming successful outcomes of the trials. See Additional Comments under Question 9 regarding the Phase 3 trials.

Meeting Discussion:

The sponsor inquired as to whether the 12 month follow up period data could be submitted with the 120 day safety update. The Agency responded that the application should be complete, with this data, at the time of submission of the NDA application.

Question 4:

Safety evaluation in the Phase 3 clinical trials will include collection of AEs, assessment for LSRs, vital signs, physical examinations, ECGs, and clinical laboratory evaluations. As KX2-391 ointment 1% is expected to result in reversible LSRs, these will be captured as study outcomes. The Sponsor proposes to use a scale of 0-3 (0=absent; 1=mild, ie, slight, barely perceptible; 2=moderate, ie, distinct presence; 3=severe, ie, marked, intense) for the assessment and monitoring of LSRs including erythema, flaking/scaling, crusting, swelling, erosion/ulceration, vesiculation/pustulation, and pigmentation and scarring throughout the study. Investigators will be trained in the use of this LSR scale using representative photographs.

Will this safety assessment plan be acceptable to the Agency? If not, what additional assessment would be required?

FDA Response to Question 4:

Your proposed safety evaluation plan appears to be adequate.

Question 5:

The phototoxicity study of KX2-391 ointment 1% in rabbits was negative. The Sponsor proposes to conduct *in vitro* analysis of the KX2-391 planned TBM formulation to assess the absorbance properties (within (b) (4) nm) and if necessary, the potential (b) (4) (b) (4)

If negative, does the Agency agree that phototoxicity studies in healthy volunteers are not needed? If the Agency believes these studies are required, can they be conducted in parallel with the Phase 3 clinical trials?

FDA Response to Question 5:

You should address the potential of your topical drug product to induce phototoxicity if any of the components of the product absorb light in the range of approximately (b) (4) nm. This study should utilize the clinical to-be-marketed formulation of the product. Refer to the ICH S10 guidance for industry, *Photosafety Evaluation of Pharmaceuticals*.

Additionally, provocative studies to evaluate photoallergy will be needed prior to marketing if your product absorbs light in the range of approximately [REDACTED] nm. This trial should be conducted with the final to-be-marketed formulation with an adequate number of subjects (e.g., 45 subjects). To enhance study yield, topical safety studies should be conducted under exaggerated (occlusive) conditions, which allows screening for cutaneous safety signals to be accomplished with fewer subjects than would be needed under normal (non-occlusive) conditions.

It is not necessary to evaluate photoallergenicity in a nonclinical model because it has been demonstrated that animal photoallergenicity studies do not predict clinical photoallergenicity.

If dermal safety studies are necessary, the trials can be conducted in parallel with Phase 3 clinical trials.

Question 6:

The Buehler test of KX2-391 ointment 1% and 4% demonstrated potential for contact hypersensitivity in guinea pigs and the murine lymph node assay of KX2-391 ointment 1% suggested the potential for contact sensitization.

The Sponsor proposes to conduct a clinical trial on contact hypersensitivity in healthy volunteers in parallel with the proposed Phase 3 program. Is this acceptable?

FDA Response to Question 6:

Provocative dermal safety studies can be conducted in parallel with the Phase 3 program, as they should be conducted with the final, to-be-marketed formulation.

Question 7:

Preclinical and clinical experience indicates that KX2-391 ointment results in local skin reactions. Because some degree of skin irritation is expected in clinical studies and will be evaluated in those studies, the Sponsor believes that a cumulative irritation study in healthy volunteers is not needed.

Does the Agency agree that a cumulative irritation study does not need to be conducted?

FDA Response to Question 7:

Cumulative irritation studies may be waived in cases where the product formulation has already been shown to be significantly irritating in early phase clinical studies and will be identified as such in proposed labeling.

Question 8:

In safety pharmacology evaluation of KX2-391, the hERG IC₅₀ was found to be 44 uM (approx. 20 ug/mL, ie, over 500-fold higher than the highest human plasma concentration observed following topical administration). In addition, no electrocardiographic effects occurred in a nonclinical cardiovascular safety study of KX2-391 up to 15 mg/kg IV in telemetrized dogs. Moreover, the majority of the plasma concentrations from the two clinical trials (KX01-AK-01-US, KX01-AK-002) are below 2 ng/mL or below the lower limit of quantification (LLOQ, < 0.1

ng/mL). Therefore, KX2-391 appears to have a low risk of QT prolongation. Single, non-standardized ECG readings are being obtained prior to treatment and on the day after the final dosing from both clinical trials (KX01-AK-01-US, KX01-AK-002) and will be analyzed for cardiac intervals, rhythms, and ECG waveforms. If this analysis does not reveal findings of concern, the Sponsor will conduct only routine (pre- and post-dose) ECGs in the Phase 3 studies.

Does the Agency consider this plan sufficient to evaluate cardiac risk? If not, what additional information will be necessary?

FDA Response to Question 8:

As noted below, the PK parameters of your dosing regimen have not yet been completely characterized, so you should propose adequate cardiovascular screening and monitoring during future trials of your product to insure safety of subjects. We recommend that ECG evaluations include baseline, at T_{max} , at steady state, and periodically during the treatment.

You should address the ICH guidance for industry E14: *Clinical Evaluation of QT/QTc Interval Prolongation and Proarrhythmic Potential for Non-Antiarrhythmic Drugs* as your development plan proceeds. The need for a thorough QT study will be impacted by the results of your maximal use PK trial.

Question 9:

The Sponsor intends to submit a full pediatric waiver request in accordance with guidance. Only a single published case report of AK in an adolescent with primary immune deficiency has been identified.

Given the low incidence of AK in the pediatric population, what information does the Agency feel would be helpful to submit in support of the waiver request?

FDA Response to Question 9:

A waiver for pediatric subjects is reasonable. You should support your proposal in your initial PSP with incidence and prevalence data for actinic keratoses, or lack thereof, in pediatric populations.

2.2. Clinical/Clinical Pharmacology

Introductory Comments

You provided what you called “preliminary” results of your ongoing open-label Phase 2a study as well as your open-label, Phase 1 pharmacokinetic (PK) study. Based on your “cross-study tabulation of complete clearance rates” for KX2-391 ointment and Picato gel, you stated that the KX2-391 ointment 1% is the appropriate strength to take into Phase 3 trials (page 26). We have the following comments concerning your study results:

- Both Phase 1 and the Phase 2a studies were open-label and did not include a vehicle arm, which would make it difficult to estimate the treatment effect of KX2-391 ointment 1% for powering future trials.

- Your cross-study tabulation of complete clearance rates for the KX2-391 3-day regimen was based on 4 subjects with AK on the forearm with no data for scalp or face as your Phase 2a study is currently ongoing (i.e., Cohort 2).
- Your results for the KX2-391 ointment, 1% 5-day regimen were based on “evaluable set” of 67 subjects while the results for the Picato gels were based on the ITT analysis set.
- Note that the method of handling missing data would impact the results.

Your Phase 2 program does not appear to be sufficient to identify a dose/dosing regimen which is optimized for Phase 3 development. Prior to conducting Phase 3 trials, we recommend that you conduct a vehicle-controlled dose-ranging study to investigate safety and efficacy at ranges in concentration, frequency, duration of therapy and also obtain estimates of the treatment effect for designing future Phase 3 trials. Without reasonable estimates for your product, you run the risk of having underpowered trials.

As you submitted a Phase 3 protocol synopsis, the following are general comments.

- You stated that you plan to conduct two randomized, vehicle-controlled Phase 3 studies with a 12-month recurrence follow-up study. It is not clear whether your two Phase 3 studies will be identical in design and analysis.
- Assessment of site-to-site variability is an important component of clinical trial evaluation for the interpretation of study findings (e.g., assessing consistency or identifying outliers). As such, we recommend the randomization be stratified by site to ensure balance across the treatment arms within each site, and consequently the analysis should account for such stratification. For interpretation of study findings, the protocols should include a plan to investigate the treatment-by-site interaction and propose a sensitivity analysis to address site outliers if present.
- The analysis population for efficacy analyses should be based on the ITT should be defined as all randomized subjects whether or not they have had any post-baseline assessments.
- Your protocols should include a scientifically sound method of handling missing data.
- As you only conducted uncontrolled studies to date, it is not clear how you obtained the estimates for powering your Phase 3 trials. Without reasonable estimates for your product, you run the risk of having an underpowered trial.

Question 10:

The clinical studies have evaluated sequential cohorts of subjects who have typically administered 50 or 200 mg of 1% ointment over 25 or 100 cm² for a duration of 3 or 5 consecutive days. Preliminary analysis of accumulating data from the KX01-AK-002 study indicates that a 5-day application of KX2-391 Ointment 1% is active and associated with mild to moderate LSRs. A second cohort of a 3-day application is being evaluated. Based on the findings of the activity and safety of both cohorts in study KX01-AK-002, a dosing regimen will be selected for the Phase 3 studies.

Is this process of selecting a dosing regimen for Phase 3 studies acceptable?

FDA Response to Question 10:

See Introductory Comments above.

Question 11:

Study KX01-AK-01-US administered weighed amounts of KX2-391 ointment 1% to contiguous areas on the dorsal forearm for 3 or 5 days. Subjects received 50 mg over a 25 cm² area or 200 mg over a 100 cm² area. All treatments were administered by clinic staff. In study KX01-AK-002, subjects received 50 mg of KX2-391 ointment 1% applied to a 25cm² contiguous area of the face or scalp. As in the previous study, all treatments were administered at the clinic by clinic staff.

For the planned Phase 3 studies, drug or vehicle will be provided as daily unit dose packs with a maximum fill weight of (b)(4) mg, which will be administered by the subject at home for (b)(4) 5 days (one package per day). The maximum deliverable amount is estimated to be not more than 250 mg. Subjects will be instructed to wash their hands and the treatment area, then dry the treatment area before application of ointment. A small amount of ointment is to be applied to the fingertip and rubbed gently over the 25 cm² treatment area. Finger cots are not planned to be used, so as to mimic anticipated clinical usage. Subjects will be instructed to wash their hands after applying the ointment and avoid washing the treatment area for at least 8 hours. In addition, subjects will be instructed to avoid getting the ointment in the eyes. If ointment gets into the eyes, the subjects are to flush their eyes and contact the investigator for referral to an ophthalmologist.

Are the proposed dosing instructions and the proposed unit dose packaging acceptable?

FDA Response to Question 11:

Subjects should be instructed to wash their hands *immediately* after applying the ointment to the treatment area. Otherwise, your proposed dosing instructions and proposed unit dose packaging are acceptable.

Question 12:

Does the agency agree that the pharmacokinetics of KX2-391 ointment 1% have been adequately characterized and reflect minimal absorption into systemic circulation? If not, does the Agency recommend that the Sponsor should conduct a maximal use protocol to further assess the pharmacokinetics?

FDA Response to Question 12:

You are developing KX2-391 ointment, 1% for the topical treatment of actinic keratosis on the face or scalp in adults. Your projected dosing regimen will be (b)(4) treatment on a 25 cm² area of the face or scalp. Your ongoing Phase 2a study (KX01-AK-002) evaluated the pharmacokinetics (PK) of KX2-391 following topical applications of 50 mg dose on a 25 cm² area for 5 days in the treatment of AK of the face and scalp. Additionally, you have conducted one Phase 1 study (KX01-AK-01-US) that evaluated the PK of KX2-391 following topical applications of doses 50 mg on a 25cm² area or 200 mg on a 100 cm² area for 3 or 5 days in the treatment of AK on the dorsal forearm.

The available PK data to-date from studies KX01-AK-002 and KX01-AK-01-US indicate a low systemic exposure of KX2-391 in majority of subjects. However, we do not agree at this time that the PK of KX2-391 ointment, 1% have been adequately characterized in these two studies for at least the following reasons: (1) there were limited number of subjects in each cohort of study KX01-AK-01-US; (2) you may not have captured full PK profiles of KX2-391 in study KX01-AK-002 because you have collected PK samples only up to 4 hours post-dose; and (3) it is not clear whether the PK data from these two studies represent maximal use conditions for the proposed indication.

Therefore, we recommend that you conduct a maximal use PK trial during development. Provided below is some information you should consider when designing a maximal use PK trial for your product.

A maximal use PK trial is conducted by obtaining adequate number of PK samples following administration of your to-be-marketed formulation. This trial should be conducted in a suitable number of subjects with the disease of interest at the upper range of severity as anticipated in both your clinical trials and proposed labeling. Such a trial would attempt to maximize the potential for drug absorption to occur by incorporation of the following design elements:

- Frequency of dosing
- Duration of dosing
- Use of highest proposed strength
- Total involved surface area to be treated at one time
- Amount applied per square centimeter
- Method of application/site preparation
- Sensitive and validated analytical method

The maximal use PK trial could be a stand-alone trial in Phase 2 or could be a sub-group of subjects in a larger Phase 3 trial. Either approach is acceptable. Should a stand-alone trial approach be used, you should take steps to assure that the target patient population (age, gender, race etc.) is properly represented in your maximal use PK trial.

You plan to treat actinic keratosis on the face and scalp concurrently. We recommend you to conduct the maximal use PK trial by applying the drug to the face and scalp in the same subject.

Meeting Discussion:

The sponsor proposed to conduct a maximal use PK trial and proposed to use one sachet of the product per day [dose less than 200 mg] applied to 100 cm² treatment area. The sponsor inquired if this design would be reasonable. The Agency responded that this was new information, not submitted to the meeting package, and no agreements can be made at this time. The Agency reiterated the maximal use PK trial design and encouraged the sponsor to capture the worst case scenario.

The Agency also recommended that the sponsor address drug interaction potential during development.

Corrigendum:

The Agency recommends that the sponsor record the amount of formulation used per subject in the maximal use PK trial.

Question 13:

Preliminary pharmacokinetic results obtained from the two clinical studies with KX2-391 ointment 1% showed that following up to 5 days of treatment, low systemic exposure (<1 ng/mL), and limited drug accumulation was observed in the majority of subjects. Based on the exposures observed, the Sponsor believes that a radiolabeled ADME study in subjects would be infeasible and would not provide useful information.

The Sponsor will rely on in vitro metabolism and protein binding data to characterize the metabolism and distribution of KX2-391 following topical administration. Is this plan acceptable to the agency?

FDA Response to Question 13:

KX2-391 is a new molecular entity and we recommend that you make every effort to completely characterize its disposition in humans. We agree that a radiolabeled ADME study in human may not be needed based on the currently available PK information.

You should conduct in vitro studies to characterize metabolism and protein binding properties of KX2-391. You should also conduct in vitro studies to evaluate the drug-drug interaction potentials for KX2-391 and its major metabolites. Based on your in vitro study findings, it may be necessary that you further assess the PK of the major metabolites of KX2-391 in clinical trials using validated bioanalytical assays.

To address the potential for drug interactions, you are referred to draft guidance for industry *Drug Interaction Studies – Study Design, Data Analysis, Implications for Dosing, and Labeling Recommendations*.

2.3. Nonclinical

Question [14]:

The nonclinical studies completed to support oral dosing of KX2-391 are summarized in **Error! Reference source not found..** The panel of studies conducted to evaluate toxicity and toxicokinetics of KX2-391 following dermal administration are described in **Error! Reference source not found..** The ongoing studies to further advance the clinical development of KX2-391 ointment 1% are described in **Error! Reference source not found..** Summaries of completed nonclinical studies supporting oral and dermal administration of KX2-391 are presented in **Error! Reference source not found..**

Does the Agency concur that the completed and ongoing nonclinical studies will fully satisfy the requirements to support Phase 3 testing and marketing registration of KX2-391 ointment 1%?

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FDA Response to Question [14]:

This matter is unclear, particularly in regard to the utility or acceptability of the ongoing nonclinical studies that were summarized in the briefing package, but have yet to be submitted for review. According to the summary provided, substantial adverse actions were apparently observed in 28-day topical repeated-dose toxicity studies with rats and minipigs, apparently at least in part due to the methodology that was used. In general, it is not recommended that topical repeated-dose toxicity studies involve wrapping or occlusion of the treatment site, particularly for studies conducted with rodents. It is suggested that the methodology and dosages to be used in definitive studies be evaluated in preliminary dose-range finding studies, to help ensure that the procedures used (e.g., the application procedure, concentrations of API in the test articles, volume per dose, etc.) will be optimal. We may request that nonclinical studies be repeated if we are not satisfied with the levels of exposure and/or stress that were achieved in those studies, or the methodology used. We outlined the nonclinical issues that we anticipated may need to be acceptably addressed in regard to IND 122464 in a letter dated July 31, 2014. Consult that letter for further guidance.

Question [15]:

Does the Agency concur that KX2-391 ointment 1%, if approved for the proposed indication and treatment regimens, will not be considered as chronic therapy, and, therefore, chronic toxicity, carcinogenicity, and peri/post- natal nonclinical studies will not be needed to support the marketing registration?

FDA Response to Question [15]:

We agree that data from repeated-dose toxicity studies of greater than 28-days duration, or from carcinogenesis assays conducted with KX2-391, are not necessary to support development or marketing of this product for this indication. However, acceptable data which concern effects of the drug substance on prenatal and postnatal development, including maternal function (nonclinical peri/post- natal development data), should be included in the initial submission to a NDA. It is suggested that these data be obtained in studies that involve oral or parenteral administration (as supported by preliminary dose-range finding studies and comparative pharmacokinetic data) in order to achieve adequate systemic exposure.

Meeting Discussion:

The sponsor asked if the Agency would require a peri/postnatal study of KX2-391 if final evaluation of the embryo-fetal development study results confirm KX2-391 is fetotoxic and, as a consequence, the label for KX2-391 ointment contains precautions for use in women of child-bearing potential. The Agency mentioned that ICH documents indicate that peri/postnatal development data are typically considered to be appropriate in support of an NDA. However, the Agency indicated that it would be willing to consider a request for a waiver of the need for such data, at such time as final embryofetal development data were submitted with a scientific rationale to support the waiver request. The Agency also suggested that the waiver request include an example of the proposed labeling.

3.0 ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS

PREA REQUIREMENTS

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.

Please be advised that under the Food and Drug Administration Safety and Innovation Act (FDASIA), you must submit an Initial Pediatric Study Plan (iPSP) within 60 days of an End of Phase (EOP2) meeting. In the absence of an End-of-Phase 2 meeting, refer to the draft guidance below. The PSP must contain an outline of the pediatric study or studies that you plan to conduct (including, to the extent practicable study objectives and design, age groups, relevant endpoints, and statistical approach); any request for a deferral, partial waiver, or waiver, if applicable, along with any supporting documentation, and any previously negotiated pediatric plans with other regulatory authorities. The PSP should be submitted in PDF and Word format. Failure to include an agreed iPSP with a marketing application could result in a refuse to file action.

For additional guidance on the timing, content, and submission of the PSP, including a PSP Template, please refer to the draft guidance for industry, *Pediatric Study Plans: Content of and Process for Submitting Initial Pediatric Study Plans and Amended Pediatric Study Plans* at: <http://www.fda.gov/downloads/Drugs/GuidanceComplianceRegulatoryInformation/Guidances/UCM360507.pdf>. In addition, you may contact the Division of Pediatric and Maternal Health at 301-796-2200 or email pdit@fda.hhs.gov. For further guidance on pediatric product development, please refer to: <http://www.fda.gov/Drugs/DevelopmentApprovalProcess/DevelopmentResources/ucm049867.htm>.

DATA STANDARDS FOR STUDIES

Under section 745A(a) of the FD&C Act, electronic submissions “shall be submitted in such electronic format as specified by [FDA].” FDA has determined that study data contained in electronic submissions (i.e., NDAs, BLAs, ANDAs and INDs) must be in a format that the Agency can process, review, and archive. Currently, the Agency can process, review, and archive electronic submissions of clinical and nonclinical study data that use the standards specified in the Data Standards Catalog (Catalog) (See <http://www.fda.gov/forindustry/datastandards/studydatastandards/default.htm>).

On December 17, 2014, FDA issued final guidance, *Providing Electronic Submissions in Electronic Format--- Standardized Study Data* (<http://www.fda.gov/downloads/Drugs/GuidanceComplianceRegulatoryInformation/Guidances/UCM292334.pdf>). This guidance describes the submission types, the standardized study data requirements, and when standardized study data will be required. Further, it describes the

availability of implementation support in the form of a technical specifications document, Study Data Technical Conformance Guide (Conformance Guide) (See <http://www.fda.gov/downloads/ForIndustry/DataStandards/StudyDataStandards/UCM384744.pdf>), as well as email access to the eData Team (cdeler-edata@fda.hhs.gov) for specific questions related to study data standards. Standardized study data will be required in marketing application submissions for clinical and nonclinical studies that start on or after December 17, 2016. Standardized study data will be required in commercial IND application submissions for clinical and nonclinical studies that start on or after December 17, 2017. CDER has produced a [Study Data Standards Resources](#) web page that provides specifications for sponsors regarding implementation and submission of clinical and nonclinical study data in a standardized format. This web page will be updated regularly to reflect CDER's growing experience in order to meet the needs of its reviewers.

Although the submission of study data in conformance to the standards listed in the FDA Data Standards Catalog will not be required in studies that start before December 17, 2016, CDER strongly encourages IND sponsors to use the FDA supported data standards for the submission of IND applications and marketing applications. The implementation of data standards should occur as early as possible in the product development lifecycle, so that data standards are accounted for in the design, conduct, and analysis of clinical and nonclinical studies. For clinical and nonclinical studies, IND sponsors should include a plan (e.g., in the IND) describing the submission of standardized study data to FDA. This study data standardization plan (see the Conformance Guide) will assist FDA in identifying potential data standardization issues early in the development program.

Additional information can be found at <http://www.fda.gov/Drugs/DevelopmentApprovalProcess/FormsSubmissionRequirements/ElectronicSubmissions/ucm248635.htm>.

For general toxicology, supporting nonclinical toxicokinetic, and carcinogenicity studies, CDER encourages sponsors to use Standards for the Exchange of Nonclinical Data (SEND) and submit sample or test data sets before implementation becomes required. CDER will provide feedback to sponsors on the suitability of these test data sets. Information about submitting a test submission can be found here:

<http://www.fda.gov/Drugs/DevelopmentApprovalProcess/FormsSubmissionRequirements/ElectronicSubmissions/ucm174459.htm>

LABORATORY TEST UNITS FOR CLINICAL TRIALS

CDER strongly encourages IND sponsors to identify the laboratory test units that will be reported in clinical trials that support applications for investigational new drugs and product registration. Although Système International (SI) units may be the standard reporting mechanism globally, dual reporting of a reasonable subset of laboratory tests in U.S. conventional units and SI units might be necessary to minimize conversion needs during review. Identification of units to be used for laboratory tests in clinical trials and solicitation of input from the review divisions should occur as early as possible in the development process. For more information, please see the FDA website entitled, [Study Data Standards Resources](#) and the

CDER/CBER Position on Use of SI Units for Lab Tests website found at <http://www.fda.gov/ForIndustry/DataStandards/StudyDataStandards/ucm372553.htm>.

SUBMISSION FORMAT REQUIREMENTS

The Electronic Common Technical Document (eCTD) is CDER and CBER's standard format for electronic regulatory submissions. Beginning May 5, 2017, the following submission types: NDA, ANDA, BLA and Master Files must be submitted in eCTD format. Commercial IND submissions must be submitted in eCTD format beginning May 5, 2018. Submissions that do not adhere to the requirements stated in the eCTD Guidance will be subject to rejection. For more information please visit: <http://www.fda.gov/ectd>.

Office of Scientific Investigations (OSI) Requests

The Office of Scientific Investigations (OSI) requests that the following items be provided to facilitate development of clinical investigator and sponsor/monitor/CRO inspection assignments, and the background packages that are sent with those assignments to the FDA field investigators who conduct those inspections (Item I and II). This information is requested for all major trials used to support safety and efficacy in the application (i.e., phase 2/3 pivotal trials). Please note that if the requested items are provided elsewhere in submission in the format described, the Applicant can describe location or provide a link to the requested information.

The dataset that is requested in Item III below is for use in a clinical site selection model that is being piloted in CDER. Electronic submission of the site level dataset is voluntary and is intended to facilitate the timely selection of appropriate clinical sites for FDA inspection as part of the application and/or supplement review process.

This request also provides instructions for where OSI requested items should be placed within an eCTD submission (Attachment 1, Technical Instructions: Submitting Bioresearch Monitoring (BIMO) Clinical Data in eCTD Format).

I. Request for general study related information and comprehensive clinical investigator information (if items are provided elsewhere in submission, describe location or provide link to requested information).

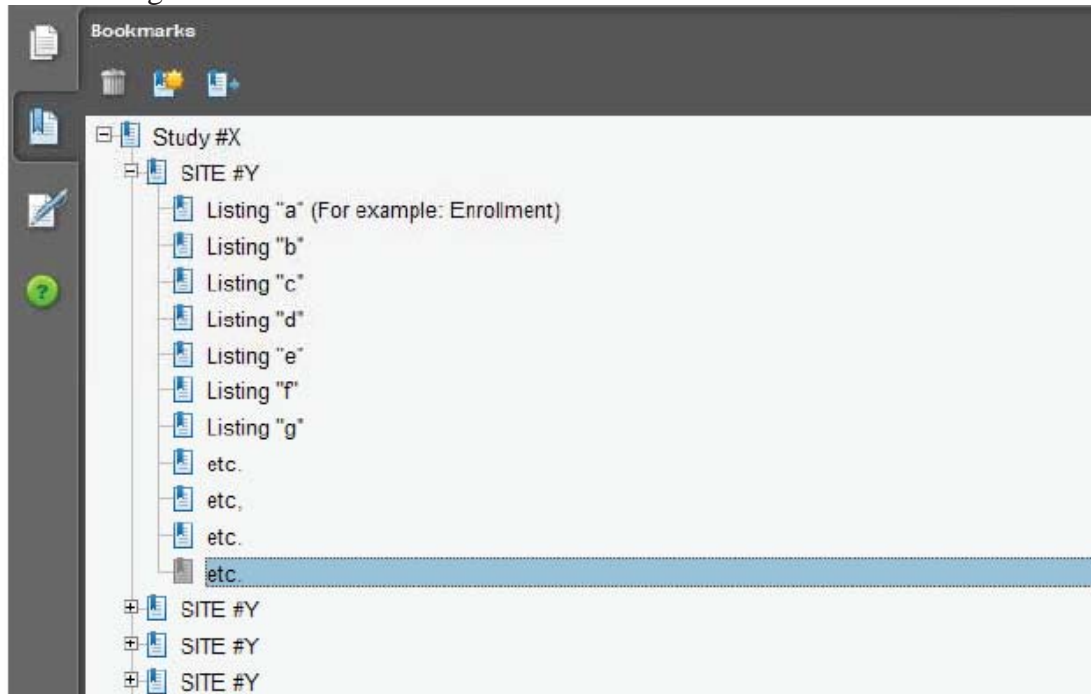
1. Please include the following information in a tabular format in the original NDA for each of the completed pivotal clinical trials:
 - a. Site number
 - b. Principal investigator
 - c. Site Location: Address (e.g., Street, City, State, Country) and contact information (i.e., phone, fax, email)
 - d. Location of Principal Investigator: Address (e.g., Street, City, State, and Country) and contact information (i.e., phone, fax, email). If the Applicant is aware of changes to a clinical investigator's site address or contact information since the time of the clinical investigator's participation in the study, we request that this updated information also be provided.

2. Please include the following information in a tabular format, *by site*, in the original NDA for each of the completed pivotal clinical trials:
 - a. Number of subjects screened at each site
 - b. Number of subjects randomized at each site
 - c. Number of subjects treated who prematurely discontinued for each site by site
3. Please include the following information in a tabular format in the NDA for each of the completed pivotal clinical trials:
 - a. Location at which sponsor trial documentation is maintained (e.g., , monitoring plans and reports, training records, data management plans, drug accountability records, IND safety reports, or other sponsor records as described ICH E6, Section 8). This is the actual physical site(s) where documents are maintained and would be available for inspection
 - b. Name, address and contact information of all Contract Research Organization (CROs) used in the conduct of the clinical trials and brief statement of trial related functions transferred to them. If this information has been submitted in eCTD format previously (e.g., as an addendum to a Form FDA 1571, you may identify the location(s) and/or provide link(s) to information previously provided.
 - c. The location at which trial documentation and records generated by the CROs with respect to their roles and responsibilities in conduct of respective studies is maintained. As above, this is the actual physical site where documents would be available for inspection.
4. For each pivotal trial, provide a sample annotated Case Report Form (or identify the location and/or provide a link if provided elsewhere in the submission).
5. For each pivotal trial provide original protocol and all amendments ((or identify the location and/or provide a link if provided elsewhere in the submission).

II. Request for Subject Level Data Listings by Site

1. For each pivotal trial: Site-specific individual subject data listings (hereafter referred to as “line listings”). For each site, provide line listings for:
 - a. Listing for each subject consented/enrolled; for subjects who were not randomized to treatment and/or treated with study therapy, include reason not randomized and/or treated
 - b. Subject listing for treatment assignment (randomization)
 - c. Listing of subjects that discontinued from study treatment and subjects that discontinued from the study completely (i.e., withdrew consent) with date and reason discontinued
 - d. Listing of per protocol subjects/ non-per protocol subjects and reason not per protocol
 - e. By subject listing of eligibility determination (i.e., inclusion and exclusion criteria)
 - f. By subject listing, of AEs, SAEs, deaths and dates
 - g. By subject listing of protocol violations and/or deviations reported in the NDA, including a description of the deviation/violation

- h. By subject listing of the primary and secondary endpoint efficacy parameters or events. For derived or calculated endpoints, provide the raw data listings used to generate the derived/calculated endpoint.
 - i. By subject listing of concomitant medications (as appropriate to the pivotal clinical trials)
 - j. By subject listing, of testing (e.g., laboratory, ECG) performed for safety monitoring
2. We request that one PDF file be created for each pivotal Phase 2 and Phase 3 study using the following format:



III. Request for Site Level Dataset:

OSI is piloting a risk based model for site selection. Voluntary electronic submission of site level datasets is intended to facilitate the timely selection of appropriate clinical sites for FDA inspection as part of the application and/or supplement review process. If you wish to voluntarily provide a dataset, please refer to the draft Guidance for Industry Providing Submissions in Electronic Format – Summary Level Clinical Site Data for CDER’s Inspection Planning” (available at the following link <http://www.fda.gov/downloads/Drugs/DevelopmentApprovalProcess/FormsSubmissionRequirements/UCM332468.pdf>) for the structure and format of this data set.

Attachment 1
Technical Instructions:
Submitting Bioresearch Monitoring (BIMO) Clinical Data in eCTD Format

A. Data submitted for OSI review belongs in Module 5 of the eCTD. For items I and II in the chart below, the files should be linked into the Study Tagging File (STF) for each study. Leaf titles for this data should be named “BIMO [list study ID, followed by brief description of file being submitted].” In addition, a BIMO STF should be constructed and placed in Module 5.3.5.4, Other Study reports and related information. The study ID for this STF should be “bimo.” Files for items I, II and III below should be linked into this BIMO STF, using file tags indicated below. The item III site-level dataset filename should be “clinsite.xpt.”

DSI Pre-NDA Request Item¹	STF File Tag	Used For	Allowable File Formats
I	data-listing-dataset	Data listings, by study	.pdf
I	annotated-crf	Sample annotated case report form, by study	.pdf
II	data-listing-dataset	Data listings, by study (Line listings, by site)	.pdf
III	data-listing-dataset	Site-level datasets, across studies	.xpt
III	data-listing-data-definition	Define file	.pdf

B. In addition, within the directory structure, the item III site-level dataset should be placed in the M5 folder as follows:



C. It is recommended, but not required, that a Reviewer’s Guide in PDF format be included. If this Guide is included, it should be included in the BIMO STF. The leaf title should be “BIMO Reviewer Guide.” The guide should contain a description of the BIMO elements being submitted with hyperlinks to those elements in Module 5.

¹ Please see the OSI Pre-NDA/BLA Request document for a full description of requested data files

References:

eCTD Backbone Specification for Study Tagging Files v. 2.6.1

(<http://www.fda.gov/downloads/Drugs/DevelopmentApprovalProcess/FormsSubmissionRequirements/ElectronicSubmissions/UCM163560.pdf>)

FDA eCTD web page

(<http://www.fda.gov/Drugs/DevelopmentApprovalProcess/FormsSubmissionRequirements/ElectronicSubmissions/ucm153574.htm>)

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MEETING PRELIMINARY COMMENTS

Athenex, Inc.
d/b/a Kinex Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
Attention: Thomas J. Moutvic
Vice President of Regulatory Affairs
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Buffalo, NY 14203

Dear Mr. Moutvic:

Please refer to your Investigational New Drug Application (IND) submitted under section 505(i) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act for KX2-391 ointment, 1%.

We also refer to your October 13, 2016, correspondence, received October 14, 2016, requesting a meeting to discuss the development program for KX2-391 ointment, 1%.

Our preliminary responses to your meeting questions are enclosed.

You should provide, to the Regulatory Project Manager, a hardcopy or electronic version of any materials (i.e., slides or handouts) to be presented and/or discussed at the meeting.

In accordance with 21 CFR 10.65(e) and FDA policy, you may not electronically record the discussion at this meeting. The official record of this meeting will be the FDA-generated minutes.

If you have any questions, call me, at (301) 796-3986.

Sincerely,

{See appended electronic signature page}

Cristina Attinello, MPH
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ENCLOSURE:

Preliminary Meeting Comments



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PRELIMINARY MEETING COMMENTS

Meeting Type: Type B
Meeting Category: End of Phase 2

Meeting Date and Time: December 12, 2016, 8:30 am
Meeting Location: WO22, Rm. 1311

Application Number: IND 122464
Product Name: KX2-391 ointment, 1%
Proposed Indication: for the topical treatment (b)(4) actinic keratosis on the face and scalp
Sponsor Name: Athenex, Inc.

1 **Introduction:**

2 This material consists of our preliminary responses to your questions and any additional
3 comments in preparation for the discussion at the meeting scheduled for December 12, 2016 at
4 8:30 am in WO22 Rm. 1311 between Athenex, Inc. and the Division of Dermatology and Dental
5 Products. We are sharing this material to promote a collaborative and successful discussion at
6 the meeting. The meeting minutes will reflect agreements, important issues, and any action
7 items discussed during the meeting and may not be identical to these preliminary comments
8 following substantive discussion at the meeting. However, if these answers and comments are
9 clear to you and you determine that further discussion is not required, you have the option of
10 cancelling the meeting (contact the regulatory project manager (RPM)). If you choose to cancel
11 the meeting, this document will represent the official record of the meeting. If you determine
12 that discussion is needed for only some of the original questions, you have the option of reducing
13 the agenda and/or changing the format of the meeting (e.g., from face to face to teleconference).
14 It is important to remember that some meetings, particularly milestone meetings, can be valuable
15 even if the pre-meeting communications are considered sufficient to answer the questions.
16 Contact the RPM if there are any major changes to your development plan, the purpose of the
17 meeting, or the questions based on our preliminary responses, as we may not be prepared to
18 discuss or reach agreement on such changes at the meeting.

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20 **1.0 BACKGROUND**

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22 **Purpose of Teleconference:**

23 The primary purpose of this teleconference is to discuss the development program for KX2-391
24 ointment, 1%.

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28 **Regulatory Correspondence History:**

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30 We have sent the following correspondences:

- 31 • 7/31/2014 Study May Proceed Letter
32 • 7/7/2014 Information Request

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34 **2.0 DISCUSSION**

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36 **2.1. Clinical**

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38 No Chemistry, Manufacturing and Controls questions were posed in the meeting package.

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40 **Question 1:**

41 The Sponsor proposes to develop KX2-391 ointment 1% as a topical treatment (b) (4)
42 actinic keratosis on the face and scalp.

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44 Is this proposed indication acceptable? If not, what would be an acceptable indication?

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46 **FDA Response to Question 1:**

47 The proposed indication is reasonable, but the precise labeling terminology will be determined
48 during NDA review.

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50 **Question 2:**

51 The proposed size of the safety database is approximately 600 subjects on active treatment,
52 including subjects from studies KX01-AK-01-US and KX01-AK-002 and the proposed Phase 3
53 program.

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55 Is the size of the safety database acceptable? If not, how many subjects would need to be
56 included in the safety database?

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58 **FDA Response to Question 2:**

59 The proposed number of subjects on active treatment may be acceptable, depending on the safety
60 experience of your product.

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62 **Question 3:**

63 We propose to conduct two Phase 3 efficacy studies. Subjects with complete response in both
64 studies will be followed for recurrence in a common recurrence follow-up protocol. DRAFT
65 synopses of the proposed Phase 3 studies are provided in **Error! Reference source not found.**
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68 If successful, would the 2 proposed randomized, vehicle-controlled Phase 3 studies with a 12-
69 month recurrence follow-up be adequate to support an NDA submission? If not, what additional
70 information would be required?

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73 **FDA Response to Question 3:**

74 Your proposed approach to conduct two safety and efficacy trials and assess long term safety
75 appears to be reasonable, assuming successful outcomes of the trials. See Additional Comments
76 under Question 9 regarding the Phase 3 trials.

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78 **Question 4:**

79 Safety evaluation in the Phase 3 clinical trials will include collection of AEs, assessment for
80 LSRs, vital signs, physical examinations, ECGs, and clinical laboratory evaluations. As KX2-
81 391 ointment 1% is expected to result in reversible LSRs, these will be captured as study
82 outcomes. The Sponsor proposes to use a scale of 0-3 (0=absent; 1=mild, ie, slight, barely
83 perceptible; 2=moderate, ie, distinct presence; 3=severe, ie, marked, intense) for the assessment
84 and monitoring of LSRs including erythema, flaking/scaling, crusting, swelling,
85 erosion/ulceration, vesiculation/pustulation, and pigmentation and scarring throughout the study.
86 Investigators will be trained in the use of this LSR scale using representative photographs.

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88 Will this safety assessment plan be acceptable to the Agency? If not, what additional assessment
89 would be required?

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91 **FDA Response to Question 4:**

92 Your proposed safety evaluation plan appears to be adequate.

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94 **Question 5:**

95 The phototoxicity study of KX2-391 ointment 1% in rabbits was negative. The Sponsor
96 proposes to conduct *in vitro* analysis of the KX2-391 planned TBM formulation to assess the
97 absorbance properties (within (b) (4) nm) and if necessary, the potential (b) (4)
98 (b) (4)

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101 If negative, does the Agency agree that phototoxicity studies in healthy volunteers are not
102 needed? If the Agency believes these studies are required, can they be conducted in parallel with
103 the Phase 3 clinical trials?

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104 **FDA Response to Question 5:**

105 You should address the potential of your topical drug product to induce phototoxicity if any of
106 the components of the product absorb light in the range of approximately (b) (4) nm.

107 This study should utilize the clinical to-be-marketed formulation of the product. Refer to the
108 ICH S10 guidance for industry, *Photosafety Evaluation of Pharmaceuticals*.

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110 Additionally, provocative studies to evaluate photoallergy will be needed prior to marketing if
111 your product absorbs light in the range of approximately (b) (4) nm. This trial should be
112 conducted with the final to-be-marketed formulation with an adequate number of subjects (e.g.,
113 45 subjects). To enhance study yield, topical safety studies should be conducted under
114 exaggerated (occlusive) conditions, which allows screening for cutaneous safety signals to be
115 accomplished with fewer subjects than would be needed under normal (non-occlusive)
116 conditions.

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118 It is not necessary to evaluate photoallergenicity in a nonclinical model because it has been
119 demonstrated that animal photoallergenicity studies do not predict clinical photoallergenicity.

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121 If dermal safety studies are necessary, the trials can be conducted in parallel with Phase 3 clinical
122 trials.

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124 **Question 6:**

125 The Buehler test of KX2-391 ointment 1% and 4% demonstrated potential for contact
126 hypersensitivity in guinea pigs and the murine lymph node assay of KX2-391 ointment 1%
127 suggested the potential for contact sensitization.

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129 The Sponsor proposes to conduct a clinical trial on contact hypersensitivity in healthy volunteers
130 in parallel with the proposed Phase 3 program. Is this acceptable?

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132 **FDA Response to Question 6:**

133 Provocative dermal safety studies can be conducted in parallel with the Phase 3 program, as they
134 should be conducted with the final, to-be-marketed formulation.

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136 **Question 7:**

137 Preclinical and clinical experience indicates that KX2-391 ointment results in local skin
138 reactions. Because some degree of skin irritation is expected in clinical studies and will be
139 evaluated in those studies, the Sponsor believes that a cumulative irritation study in healthy
140 volunteers is not needed.

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142 Does the Agency agree that a cumulative irritation study does not need to be conducted?

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144 **FDA Response to Question 7:**

145 Cumulative irritation studies may be waived in cases where the product formulation has already
146 been shown to be significantly irritating in early phase clinical studies and will be identified as
147 such in proposed labeling.

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149 **Question 8:**

150 In safety pharmacology evaluation of KX2-391, the hERG IC₅₀ was found to be 44 uM (approx.
151 20 ug/mL, ie, over 500-fold higher than the highest human plasma concentration observed
152 following topical administration). In addition, no electrocardiographic effects occurred in a
153 nonclinical cardiovascular safety study of KX2-391 up to 15 mg/kg IV in telemetrized dogs.
154 Moreover, the majority of the plasma concentrations from the two clinical trials (KX01-AK-01-
155 US, KX01-AK-002) are below 2 ng/mL or below the lower limit of quantification (LLOQ, < 0.1
156 ng/mL). Therefore, KX2-391 appears to have a low risk of QT prolongation. Single, non-
157 standardized ECG readings are being obtained prior to treatment and on the day after the final
158 dosing from both clinical trials (KX01-AK-01-US, KX01-AK-002) and will be analyzed for
159 cardiac intervals, rhythms, and ECG waveforms. If this analysis does not reveal findings of
160 concern, the Sponsor will conduct only routine (pre- and post-dose) ECGs in the Phase 3 studies.

161

162 Does the Agency consider this plan sufficient to evaluate cardiac risk? If not, what additional
163 information will be necessary?

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165 **FDA Response to Question 8:**

166 As noted below, the PK parameters of your dosing regimen have not yet been completely
167 characterized, so you should propose adequate cardiovascular screening and monitoring during
168 future trials of your product to insure safety of subjects. We recommend that ECG evaluations
169 include baseline, at T_{max} , at steady state, and periodically during the treatment.

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171 You should address the ICH guidance for industry E14: *Clinical Evaluation of QT/QTc Interval*
172 *Prolongation and Proarrhythmic Potential for Non-Antiarrhythmic Drugs* as your development
173 plan proceeds. The need for a thorough QT study will be impacted by the results of your
174 maximal use PK trial.

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176 **Question 9:**

177 The Sponsor intends to submit a full pediatric waiver request in accordance with guidance. Only
178 a single published case report of AK in an adolescent with primary immune deficiency has been
179 identified.

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181 Given the low incidence of AK in the pediatric population, what information does the Agency
182 feel would be helpful to submit in support of the waiver request?

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184 **FDA Response to Question 9:**

185 A waiver for pediatric subjects is reasonable. You should support your proposal in your initial
186 PSP with incidence and prevalence data for actinic keratoses, or lack thereof, in pediatric
187 populations.

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189 **2.2. Clinical/Clinical Pharmacology**

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191 Introductory Comments

192 You provided what you called “preliminary” results of your ongoing open-label Phase 2a study
193 as well as your open-label, Phase 1 pharmacokinetic (PK) study. Based on your “cross-study
194 tabulation of complete clearance rates” for KX2-391 ointment and Picato gel, you stated that the
195 KX2-391 ointment 1% is the appropriate strength to take into Phase 3 trials (page 26). We have
196 the following comments concerning your study results:

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- 198 • Both Phase 1 and the Phase 2a studies were open-label and did not include a vehicle arm,
199 which would make it difficult to estimate the treatment effect of KX2-391 ointment 1%
200 for powering future trials.
- 201 • Your cross-study tabulation of complete clearance rates for the KX2-391 3-day regimen
202 was based on 4 subjects with AK on the forearm with no data for scalp or face as your
203 Phase 2a study is currently ongoing (i.e., Cohort 2).
- 204 • Your results for the KX2-391 ointment, 1% 5-day regimen were based on “evaluable set”
205 of 67 subjects while the results for the Picato gels were based on the ITT analysis set.

- 206 • Note that the method of handling missing data would impact the results.
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208 Your Phase 2 program does not appear to be sufficient to identify a dose/dosing regimen which
209 is optimized for Phase 3 development. Prior to conducting Phase 3 trials, we recommend that
210 you conduct a vehicle-controlled dose-ranging study to investigate safety and efficacy at ranges
211 in concentration, frequency, duration of therapy and also obtain estimates of the treatment effect
212 for designing future Phase 3 trials. Without reasonable estimates for your product, you run the
213 risk of having underpowered trials.
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215 As you submitted a Phase 3 protocol synopsis, the following are general comments.
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- 217 • You stated that you plan to conduct two randomized, vehicle-controlled Phase 3 studies
218 with a 12-month recurrence follow-up study. It is not clear whether your two Phase 3
219 studies will be identical in design and analysis.
- 220 • Assessment of site-to-site variability is an important component of clinical trial
221 evaluation for the interpretation of study findings (e.g., assessing consistency or
222 identifying outliers). As such, we recommend the randomization be stratified by site to
223 ensure balance across the treatment arms within each site, and consequently the analysis
224 should account for such stratification. For interpretation of study findings, the protocols
225 should include a plan to investigate the treatment-by-site interaction and propose a
226 sensitivity analysis to address site outliers if present.
- 227 • The analysis population for efficacy analyses should be based on the ITT should be
228 defined as all randomized subjects whether or not they have had any post-baseline
229 assessments.
- 230 • Your protocols should include a scientifically sound method of handling missing data.
- 231 • As you only conducted uncontrolled studies to date, it is not clear how you obtained the
232 estimates for powering your Phase 3 trials. Without reasonable estimates for your
233 product, you run the risk of having an underpowered trial.
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235 **Question 10:**

236 The clinical studies have evaluated sequential cohorts of subjects who have topically
237 administered 50 or 200 mg of 1% ointment over 25 or 100 cm² for a duration of 3 or 5
238 consecutive days. Preliminary analysis of accumulating data from the KX01-AK-002 study
239 indicates that a 5-day application of KX2-391 Ointment 1% is active and associated with mild to
240 moderate LSRs. A second cohort of a 3-day application is being evaluated. Based on the
241 findings of the activity and safety of both cohorts in study KX01-AK-002, a dosing regimen will
242 be selected for the Phase 3 studies.
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244 Is this process of selecting a dosing regimen for Phase 3 studies acceptable?
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246 **FDA Response to Question 10:**

247 See Introductory Comments above.
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250 **Question 11:**

251 Study KX01-AK-01-US administered weighed amounts of KX2-391 ointment 1% to contiguous
252 areas on the dorsal forearm for 3 or 5 days. Subjects received 50 mg over a 25 cm² area or
253 200 mg over a 100 cm² area. All treatments were administered by clinic staff. In study KX01-
254 AK-002, subjects received 50 mg of KX2-391 ointment 1% applied to a 25cm² contiguous area
255 of the face or scalp. As in the previous study, all treatments were administered at the clinic by
256 clinic staff.

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258 For the planned Phase 3 studies, drug or vehicle will be provided as daily unit dose packs with a
259 maximum fill weight of (b) (4) mg, which will be administered by the subject at home for (b) (4) 5
260 days (one package per day). The maximum deliverable amount is estimated to be not more than
261 250 mg. Subjects will be instructed to wash their hands and the treatment area, then dry the
262 treatment area before application of ointment. A small amount of ointment is to be applied to the
263 fingertip and rubbed gently over the 25 cm² treatment area. Finger cots are not planned to be
264 used, so as to mimic anticipated clinical usage. Subjects will be instructed to wash their hands
265 after applying the ointment and avoid washing the treatment area for at least 8 hours. In addition,
266 subjects will be instructed to avoid getting the ointment in the eyes. If ointment gets into the
267 eyes, the subjects are to flush their eyes and contact the investigator for referral to an
268 ophthalmologist.

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270 Are the proposed dosing instructions and the proposed unit dose packaging acceptable?

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272 **FDA Response to Question 11:**

273 Subjects should be instructed to wash their hands *immediately* after applying the ointment to the
274 treatment area. Otherwise, your proposed dosing instructions and proposed unit dose packaging
275 are acceptable.

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277 **Question 12:**

278 Does the agency agree that the pharmacokinetics of KX2-391 ointment 1% have been adequately
279 characterized and reflect minimal absorption into systemic circulation? If not, does the Agency
280 recommend that the Sponsor should conduct a maximal use protocol to further assess the
281 pharmacokinetics?

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283 **FDA Response to Question 12:**

284 You are developing KX2-391 ointment, 1% for the topical treatment of actinic keratosis on the
285 face or scalp in adults. Your projected dosing regimen will be (b) (4) treatment on a
286 25 cm² area of the face or scalp. Your ongoing Phase 2a study (KX01-AK-002) evaluated the
287 pharmacokinetics (PK) of KX2-391 following topical applications of 50 mg dose on a 25 cm²
288 area for 5 days in the treatment of AK of the face and scalp. Additionally, you have conducted
289 one Phase 1 study (KX01-AK-01-US) that evaluated the PK of KX2-391 following topical
290 applications of doses 50 mg on a 25cm² area or 200 mg on a 100 cm² area for 3 or 5 days in the
291 treatment of AK on the dorsal forearm.

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293 The available PK data to-date from studies KX01-AK-002 and KX01-AK-01-US indicate a low
294 systemic exposure of KX2-391 in majority of subjects. However, we do not agree at this time
295 that the PK of KX2-391 ointment, 1% have been adequately characterized in these two studies
296 for at least the following reasons: (1) there were limited number of subjects in each cohort of
297 study KX01-AK-01-US; (2) you may not have captured full PK profiles of KX2-391 in study
298 KX01-AK-002 because you have collected PK samples only up to 4 hours post-dose; and (3) it is
299 not clear whether the PK data from these two studies represent maximal use conditions for the
300 proposed indication.

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302 Therefore, we recommend that you conduct a maximal use PK trial during development.
303 Provided below is some information you should consider when designing a maximal use PK trial
304 for your product.

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306 A maximal use PK trial is conducted by obtaining adequate number of PK samples following
307 administration of your to-be-marketed formulation. This trial should be conducted in a suitable
308 number of subjects with the disease of interest at the upper range of severity as anticipated in
309 both your clinical trials and proposed labeling. Such a trial would attempt to maximize the
310 potential for drug absorption to occur by incorporation of the following design elements:

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- 312 • Frequency of dosing
- 313 • Duration of dosing
- 314 • Use of highest proposed strength
- 315 • Total involved surface area to be treated at one time
- 316 • Amount applied per square centimeter
- 317 • Method of application/site preparation
- 318 • Sensitive and validated analytical method

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320 The maximal use PK trial could be a stand-alone trial in Phase 2 or could be a sub-group of
321 subjects in a larger Phase 3 trial. Either approach is acceptable. Should a stand-alone trial
322 approach be used, you should take steps to assure that the target patient population (age, gender,
323 race etc.) is properly represented in your maximal use PK trial.

324

325 You plan to treat actinic keratosis on the face and scalp concurrently. We recommend you to
326 conduct the maximal use PK trial by applying the drug to the face and scalp in the same subject.

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328 **Question 13:**

329 Preliminary pharmacokinetic results obtained from the two clinical studies with KX2-391
330 ointment 1% showed that following up to 5 days of treatment, low systemic exposure (<1
331 ng/mL), and limited drug accumulation was observed in the majority of subjects. Based on the
332 exposures observed, the Sponsor believes that a radiolabeled ADME study in subjects would be
333 infeasible and would not provide useful information.

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335 The Sponsor will rely on in vitro metabolism and protein binding data to characterize the
336 metabolism and distribution of KX2-391 following topical administration. Is this plan
337 acceptable to the agency?

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339 **FDA Response to Question 13:**

340 KX2-391 is a new molecular entity and we recommend that you make every effort to completely
341 characterize its disposition in humans. We agree that a radiolabeled ADME study in human may
342 not be needed based on the currently available PK information.

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344 You should conduct in vitro studies to characterize metabolism and protein binding properties of
345 KX2-391. You should also conduct in vitro studies to evaluate the drug-drug interaction
346 potentials for KX2-391 and its major metabolites. Based on your in vitro study findings, it may
347 be necessary that you further assess the PK of the major metabolites of KX2-391 in clinical trials
348 using validated bioanalytical assays.

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350 To address the potential for drug interactions, you are referred to draft guidance for industry
351 *Drug Interaction Studies – Study Design, Data Analysis, Implications for Dosing, and Labeling*
352 *Recommendations*.

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354 **2.3. Nonclinical**

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356 **Question [14]:**

357 The nonclinical studies completed to support oral dosing of KX2-391 are summarized in **Error!**
358 **Reference source not found..** The panel of studies conducted to evaluate toxicity and
359 toxicokinetics of KX2-391 following dermal administration are described in **Error! Reference**
360 **source not found..** The ongoing studies to further advance the clinical development of KX2-391
361 ointment 1% are described in **Error! Reference source not found..** Summaries of completed
362 nonclinical studies supporting oral and dermal administration of KX2-391 are presented in
363 **Error! Reference source not found..**

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365 Does the Agency concur that the completed and ongoing nonclinical studies will fully satisfy the
366 requirements to support Phase 3 testing and marketing registration of KX2-391 ointment 1%?

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368 **FDA Response to Question [14]:**

369 This matter is unclear, particularly in regard to the utility or acceptability of the ongoing
370 nonclinical studies that were summarized in the briefing package, but have yet to be submitted
371 for review. According to the summary provided, substantial adverse actions were apparently
372 observed in 28-day topical repeated-dose toxicity studies with rats and minipigs, apparently at
373 least in part due to the methodology that was used. In general, it is not recommended that topical
374 repeated-dose toxicity studies involve wrapping or occlusion of the treatment site, particularly
375 for studies conducted with rodents. It is suggested that the methodology and dosages to be used
376 in definitive studies be evaluated in preliminary dose-range finding studies, to help ensure that
377 the procedures used (e.g., the application procedure, concentrations of API in the test articles,
378 volume per dose, etc.) will be optimal. We may request that nonclinical studies be repeated if we
379 are not satisfied with the levels of exposure and/or stress that were achieved in those studies, or
380 the methodology used. We outlined the nonclinical issues that we anticipated may need to be
381 acceptably addressed in regard to IND 122464 in a letter dated July 31, 2014. Consult that letter
382 for further guidance.

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384 **Question [15]:**

385 Does the Agency concur that KX2-391 ointment 1%, if approved for the proposed indication and
386 treatment regimens, will not be considered as chronic therapy, and, therefore, chronic toxicity,
387 carcinogenicity, and peri/post- natal nonclinical studies will not be needed to support the
388 marketing registration?

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390 **FDA Response to Question [15]:**

391 We agree that data from repeated-dose toxicity studies of greater than 28-days duration, or from
392 carcinogenesis assays conducted with KX2-391, are not necessary to support development or
393 marketing of this product for this indication. However, acceptable data which concern effects of
394 the drug substance on prenatal and postnatal development, including maternal function
395 (nonclinical peri/post- natal development data), should be included in the initial submission to a
396 NDA. It is suggested that these data be obtained in studies that involve oral or parenteral
397 administration (as supported by preliminary dose-range finding studies and comparative
398 pharmacokinetic data) in order to achieve adequate systemic exposure.

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400 **3.0 ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS**

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402 **PREA REQUIREMENTS**

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404 Under the Pediatric Research Equity Act (PREA) (21 U.S.C. 355c), all applications for new
405 active ingredients (which includes new salts and new fixed combinations), new indications, new
406 dosage forms, new dosing regimens, or new routes of administration are required to contain an
407 assessment of the safety and effectiveness of the product for the claimed indication(s) in
408 pediatric patients unless this requirement is waived, deferred, or inapplicable.

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410 Please be advised that under the Food and Drug Administration Safety and Innovation Act
411 (FDASIA), you must submit an Initial Pediatric Study Plan (iPSP) within 60 days of an End of
412 Phase (EOP2) meeting. In the absence of an End-of-Phase 2 meeting, refer to the draft guidance
413 below. The PSP must contain an outline of the pediatric study or studies that you plan to
414 conduct (including, to the extent practicable study objectives and design, age groups, relevant
415 endpoints, and statistical approach); any request for a deferral, partial waiver, or waiver, if
416 applicable, along with any supporting documentation, and any previously negotiated pediatric
417 plans with other regulatory authorities. The PSP should be submitted in PDF and Word format.
418 Failure to include an agreed iPSP with a marketing application could result in a refuse to file
419 action.

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421 For additional guidance on the timing, content, and submission of the PSP, including a PSP
422 Template, please refer to the draft guidance for industry, *Pediatric Study Plans: Content of and
423 Process for Submitting Initial Pediatric Study Plans and Amended Pediatric Study Plans* at:
424 [http://www.fda.gov/downloads/Drugs/GuidanceComplianceRegulatoryInformation/Guidances/U
425 CM360507.pdf](http://www.fda.gov/downloads/Drugs/GuidanceComplianceRegulatoryInformation/Guidances/UCM360507.pdf). In addition, you may contact the Division of Pediatric and Maternal Health at
426 301-796-2200 or email pdit@fda.hhs.gov. For further guidance on pediatric product
427 development, please refer to:

428 <http://www.fda.gov/Drugs/DevelopmentApprovalProcess/DevelopmentResources/ucm049867.htm>
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431 **DATA STANDARDS FOR STUDIES**

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433 Under section 745A(a) of the FD&C Act, electronic submissions “shall be submitted in such
434 electronic format as specified by [FDA].” FDA has determined that study data contained in
435 electronic submissions (i.e., NDAs, BLAs, ANDAs and INDs) must be in a format that the
436 Agency can process, review, and archive. Currently, the Agency can process, review, and
437 archive electronic submissions of clinical and nonclinical study data that use the standards
438 specified in the Data Standards Catalog (Catalog) (See

439 <http://www.fda.gov/forindustry/datastandards/studydatastandards/default.htm>).

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441 On December 17, 2014, FDA issued final guidance, *Providing Electronic Submissions in*
442 *Electronic Format--- Standardized Study Data*

443 ([http://www.fda.gov/downloads/Drugs/GuidanceComplianceRegulatoryInformation/Guidances/](http://www.fda.gov/downloads/Drugs/GuidanceComplianceRegulatoryInformation/Guidances/UCM292334.pdf)

444 [UCM292334.pdf](http://www.fda.gov/downloads/Drugs/GuidanceComplianceRegulatoryInformation/Guidances/UCM292334.pdf)). This guidance describes the submission types, the standardized study data
445 requirements, and when standardized study data will be required. Further, it describes the

446 availability of implementation support in the form of a technical specifications document, Study
447 Data Technical Conformance Guide (Conformance Guide) (See

448 <http://www.fda.gov/downloads/ForIndustry/DataStandards/StudyDataStandards/UCM384744.pdf>

449 [f](#)), as well as email access to the eData Team (cdcr-edata@fda.hhs.gov) for specific questions

450 related to study data standards. Standardized study data will be required in marketing

451 application submissions for clinical and nonclinical studies that start on or after December 17,

452 2016. Standardized study data will be required in commercial IND application submissions for

453 clinical and nonclinical studies that start on or after December 17, 2017. CDER has produced a

454 [Study Data Standards Resources](#) web page that provides specifications for sponsors regarding

455 implementation and submission of clinical and nonclinical study data in a standardized format.

456 This web page will be updated regularly to reflect CDER's growing experience in order to meet

457 the needs of its reviewers.

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459 Although the submission of study data in conformance to the standards listed in the FDA Data

460 Standards Catalog will not be required in studies that start before December 17, 2016, CDER

461 strongly encourages IND sponsors to use the FDA supported data standards for the submission of

462 IND applications and marketing applications. The implementation of data standards should

463 occur as early as possible in the product development lifecycle, so that data standards are

464 accounted for in the design, conduct, and analysis of clinical and nonclinical studies. For clinical

465 and nonclinical studies, IND sponsors should include a plan (e.g., in the IND) describing the

466 submission of standardized study data to FDA. This study data standardization plan (see the

467 Conformance Guide) will assist FDA in identifying potential data standardization issues early in

468 the development program.

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470 Additional information can be found at

471 [http://www.fda.gov/Drugs/DevelopmentApprovalProcess/FormsSubmissionRequirements/Electr](http://www.fda.gov/Drugs/DevelopmentApprovalProcess/FormsSubmissionRequirements/ElectronicSubmissions/ucm248635.htm)

472 [onicSubmissions/ucm248635.htm](http://www.fda.gov/Drugs/DevelopmentApprovalProcess/FormsSubmissionRequirements/ElectronicSubmissions/ucm248635.htm).

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474 For general toxicology, supporting nonclinical toxicokinetic, and carcinogenicity studies,
475 CDER encourages sponsors to use Standards for the Exchange of Nonclinical Data (SEND) and
476 submit sample or test data sets before implementation becomes required. CDER will provide
477 feedback to sponsors on the suitability of these test data sets. Information about submitting a test
478 submission can be found here:

479 <http://www.fda.gov/Drugs/DevelopmentApprovalProcess/FormsSubmissionRequirements/ElectronicSubmissions/ucm174459.htm>

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482 **LABORATORY TEST UNITS FOR CLINICAL TRIALS**

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484 CDER strongly encourages IND sponsors to identify the laboratory test units that will be
485 reported in clinical trials that support applications for investigational new drugs and product
486 registration. Although Système International (SI) units may be the standard reporting
487 mechanism globally, dual reporting of a reasonable subset of laboratory tests in U.S.
488 conventional units and SI units might be necessary to minimize conversion needs during review.
489 Identification of units to be used for laboratory tests in clinical trials and solicitation of input
490 from the review divisions should occur as early as possible in the development process. For
491 more information, please see the FDA website entitled, [Study Data Standards Resources](#) and the
492 CDER/CBER Position on Use of SI Units for Lab Tests website found at
493 <http://www.fda.gov/ForIndustry/DataStandards/StudyDataStandards/ucm372553.htm>.

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495 **SUBMISSION FORMAT REQUIREMENTS**

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497 The Electronic Common Technical Document (eCTD) is CDER and CBER's standard format for
498 electronic regulatory submissions. Beginning May 5, 2017, the following submission types:
499 NDA, ANDA, BLA and Master Files must be submitted in eCTD format. Commercial IND
500 submissions must be submitted in eCTD format beginning May 5, 2018. Submissions that do
501 not adhere to the requirements stated in the eCTD Guidance will be subject to rejection. For
502 more information please visit: <http://www.fda.gov/ectd>.

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504 **Office of Scientific Investigations (OSI) Requests**

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506 The Office of Scientific Investigations (OSI) requests that the following items be provided to
507 facilitate development of clinical investigator and sponsor/monitor/CRO inspection assignments,
508 and the background packages that are sent with those assignments to the FDA field investigators
509 who conduct those inspections (Item I and II). This information is requested for all major trials
510 used to support safety and efficacy in the application (i.e., phase 2/3 pivotal trials). Please note
511 that if the requested items are provided elsewhere in submission in the format described, the
512 Applicant can describe location or provide a link to the requested information.

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514 The dataset that is requested in Item III below is for use in a clinical site selection model that is
515 being piloted in CDER. Electronic submission of the site level dataset is voluntary and is
516 intended to facilitate the timely selection of appropriate clinical sites for FDA inspection as part
517 of the application and/or supplement review process.

518 This request also provides instructions for where OSI requested items should be placed within an
519 eCTD submission (Attachment 1, Technical Instructions: Submitting Bioresearch Monitoring
520 (BIMO) Clinical Data in eCTD Format).

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522 **I. Request for general study related information and comprehensive clinical investigator**
523 **information (if items are provided elsewhere in submission, describe location or provide**
524 **link to requested information).**

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526 1. Please include the following information in a tabular format in the original NDA for each
527 of the completed pivotal clinical trials:

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529 a. Site number

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531 c. Site Location: Address (e.g., Street, City, State, Country) and contact information

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533 d. Location of Principal Investigator: Address (e.g., Street, City, State, and Country) and
534 contact information (i.e., phone, fax, email). If the Applicant is aware of changes to a
535 clinical investigator's site address or contact information since the time of the clinical
536 investigator's participation in the study, we request that this updated information also
537 be provided.

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539 2. Please include the following information in a tabular format, *by site*, in the original NDA
540 for each of the completed pivotal clinical trials:

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542 a. Number of subjects screened at each site

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544 b. Number of subjects randomized at each site

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546 c. Number of subjects treated who prematurely discontinued for each site by site

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548 3. Please include the following information in a tabular format in the NDA for each of the
549 completed pivotal clinical trials:
550 a. Location at which sponsor trial documentation is maintained (e.g., , monitoring plans
551 and reports, training records, data management plans, drug accountability records,
552 IND safety reports, or other sponsor records as described ICH E6, Section 8). This is
553 the actual physical site(s) where documents are maintained and would be available for
554 inspection

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556 b. Name, address and contact information of all Contract Research Organization (CROs)
557 used in the conduct of the clinical trials and brief statement of trial related functions
558 transferred to them. If this information has been submitted in eCTD format
559 previously (e.g., as an addendum to a Form FDA 1571, you may identify the
560 location(s) and/or provide link(s) to information previously provided.

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562 c. The location at which trial documentation and records generated by the CROs with
563 respect to their roles and responsibilities in conduct of respective studies is
564 maintained. As above, this is the actual physical site where documents would be
565 available for inspection.

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567 4. For each pivotal trial, provide a sample annotated Case Report Form (or identify the
568 location and/or provide a link if provided elsewhere in the submission).

- 563 5. For each pivotal trial provide original protocol and all amendments ((or identify the
564 location and/or provide a link if provided elsewhere in the submission).
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II. Request for Subject Level Data Listings by Site

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1. For each pivotal trial: Site-specific individual subject data listings (hereafter referred to as
570 “line listings”). For each site, provide line listings for:

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- a. Listing for each subject consented/enrolled; for subjects who were not randomized to
572 treatment and/or treated with study therapy, include reason not randomized and/or
573 treated

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- b. Subject listing for treatment assignment (randomization)

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- c. Listing of subjects that discontinued from study treatment and subjects that
576 discontinued from the study completely (i.e., withdrew consent) with date and reason
577 discontinued

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- d. Listing of per protocol subjects/ non-per protocol subjects and reason not per protocol

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- e. By subject listing of eligibility determination (i.e., inclusion and exclusion criteria)

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- f. By subject listing, of AEs, SAEs, deaths and dates

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- g. By subject listing of protocol violations and/or deviations reported in the NDA,
582 including a description of the deviation/violation

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- h. By subject listing of the primary and secondary endpoint efficacy parameters or
584 events. For derived or calculated endpoints, provide the raw data listings used to
585 generate the derived/calculated endpoint.

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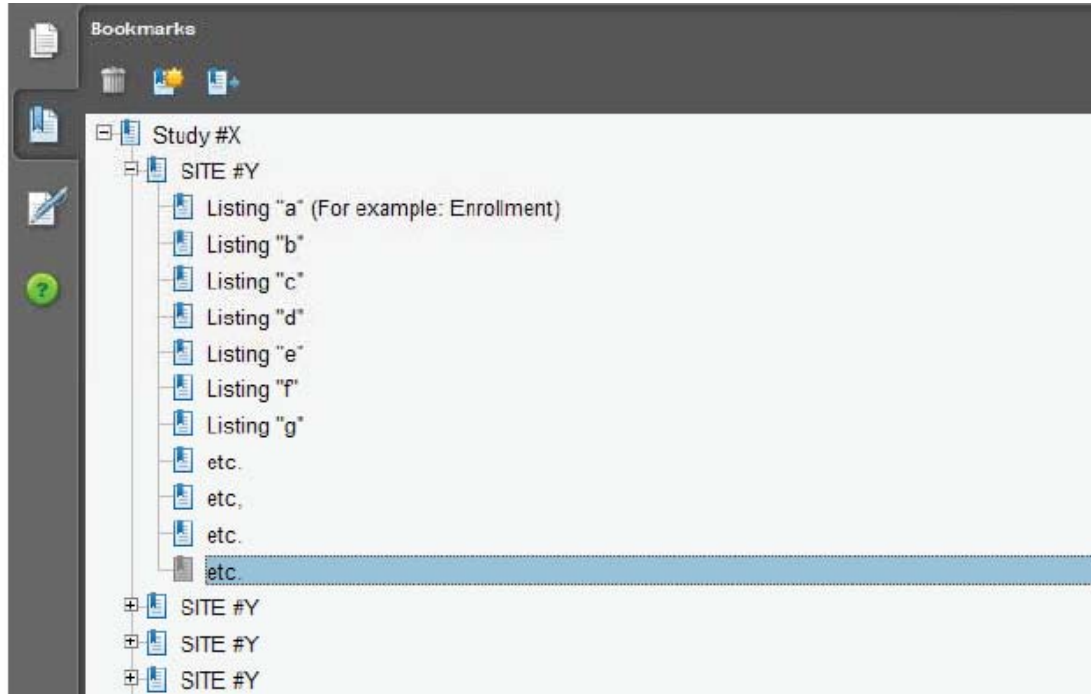
- i. By subject listing of concomitant medications (as appropriate to the pivotal clinical
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- j. By subject listing, of testing (e.g., laboratory, ECG) performed for safety monitoring
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2. We request that one PDF file be created for each pivotal Phase 2 and Phase 3 study using
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III. Request for Site Level Dataset:

OSI is piloting a risk based model for site selection. Voluntary electronic submission of site level datasets is intended to facilitate the timely selection of appropriate clinical sites for FDA inspection as part of the application and/or supplement review process. If you wish to voluntarily provide a dataset, please refer to the draft Guidance for Industry Providing Submissions in Electronic Format – Summary Level Clinical Site Data for CDER’s Inspection Planning” (available at the following link <http://www.fda.gov/downloads/Drugs/DevelopmentApprovalProcess/FormsSubmissionRequirements/UCM332468.pdf>) for the structure and format of this data set.

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Attachment 1 **Technical Instructions:** **Submitting Bioresearch Monitoring (BIMO) Clinical Data in eCTD Format**

- A. Data submitted for OSI review belongs in Module 5 of the eCTD. For items I and II in the chart below, the files should be linked into the Study Tagging File (STF) for each study. Leaf titles for this data should be named “BIMO [list study ID, followed by brief description of file being submitted].” In addition, a BIMO STF should be constructed and placed in Module 5.3.5.4, Other Study reports and related information. The study ID for this STF should be “bimo.” Files for items I, II and III below should be linked into

619 this BIMO STF, using file tags indicated below. The item III site-level dataset filename
620 should be “clinsite.xpt.”
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DSI Pre-NDA Request Item¹	STF File Tag	Used For	Allowable File Formats
I	data-listing-dataset	Data listings, by study	.pdf
I	annotated-crf	Sample annotated case report form, by study	.pdf
II	data-listing-dataset	Data listings, by study (Line listings, by site)	.pdf
III	data-listing-dataset	Site-level datasets, across studies	.xpt
III	data-listing-data-definition	Define file	.pdf

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623 B. In addition, within the directory structure, the item III site-level dataset should be placed
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628 C. It is recommended, but not required, that a Reviewer’s Guide in PDF format be included.
629 If this Guide is included, it should be included in the BIMO STF. The leaf title should be
630 “BIMO Reviewer Guide.” The guide should contain a description of the BIMO elements
631 being submitted with hyperlinks to those elements in Module 5.
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¹ Please see the OSI Pre-NDA/BLA Request document for a full description of requested data files

634 References:

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636 eCTD Backbone Specification for Study Tagging Files v. 2.6.1

637 (<http://www.fda.gov/downloads/Drugs/DevelopmentApprovalProcess/FormsSubmissionRequirements/ElectronicSubmissions/UCM163560.pdf>)

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640 FDA eCTD web page

641 (<http://www.fda.gov/Drugs/DevelopmentApprovalProcess/FormsSubmissionRequirements/ElectronicSubmissions/ucm153574.htm>)

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