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Human Medicines Division

Committee for Orphan Medicinal Products (COMP)

Draft agenda for the meeting on 21-23 March 2023

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21 March 2023, 09:00-19:30, room 2A

22 March 2023, 09:00-19:30, room 2A

23 March 2023, 09:00-13:00, room 2A

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1.2. Adoption of agenda

COMP agenda for 21-23 March 2023.

1.3. Adoption of the minutes

COMP minutes for 14-16 February 2023.

2. Applications for orphan medicinal product designation

2.1. For opinion

2.1.1. - EMA/OD/0000112208

Treatment of mitochondrial encephalomyopathy, lactic acidosis, and stroke-like episodes

Action: For information

Note: Withdrawal request received on 3 March 2023

2.1.2. - EMA/OD/0000093062

Treatment of spinal cord injury

Action: For adoption, Oral explanation to be held on 21 March 2023 at 11:00

2.1.3. - EMA/OD/0000118779

Treatment of amyotrophic lateral sclerosis

Action: For information

Note: Withdrawal request received on 3 March 2023

2.1.4. - EMA/OD/0000115658

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Action: For information

Note: Withdrawal request received on 6 March 2023

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Action: For adoption, Oral explanation to be held on 22 March 2023 at 14:00

2.1.6. - EMA/OD/0000104687

Treatment of mucopolysaccharidosis type II (Hunter syndrome)

Action: For adoption, Oral explanation to be held on 22 March 2023 at 11:00

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Action: For discussion/adoption

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Action: For discussion/adoption

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Action: For discussion/adoption

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Action: For discussion/adoption

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Action: For discussion/adoption

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Action: For discussion/adoption

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Action: For discussion/adoption

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Action: For discussion/adoption

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Action: For discussion/adoption

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None

2.4. Amendment of existing orphan designations

None

2.5. Appeal

None

2.6. Nominations

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Action: For adoption

Document(s) tabled:
OMPD applications - appointment of rapporteurs at the 21-23 March 2023 COMP meeting

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18 applications for orphan designation will not be discussed as evaluation is ongoing.

Action: For information

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3.1. Ongoing procedures

3.1.1. -

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Action: For discussion/adoption

3.1.2. -

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Action: For discussion/adoption

3.1.3. -

Treatment of idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis

Action: For discussion/adoption

3.1.4. -

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Action: For discussion/adoption

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4.1.1. – pegunigalsidase alfa - EMEA/H/C/005618, EU/3/17/1953, EMA/OD/0000109504

Chiesi Farmaceutici S.p.A.; Treatment of Fabry disease

Action: For adoption, Oral explanation to be held on 21 March 2023 at 14:15

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Les Laboratoires Servier; Treatment of acute myeloid leukaemia

Action: For adoption, Oral explanation to be held on 21 March 2023 at 15:45

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Les Laboratoires Servier; Treatment of acute myeloid leukaemia

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4.2. Orphan designated products for discussion prior to adoption of CHMP opinion

None

4.3. Appeal

None

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Action: For information

Document(s) tabled:
Review of orphan designation for OMP for MA - On-going procedures

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Action: For information

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None

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None

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Document(s) tabled:

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None

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Action: For information

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Action: For discussion

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Document(s) tabled:

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7.3. Coordination with EMA Working Parties/Working Groups/Drafting Groups

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Action: For discussion

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Upcoming ITF meetings

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None

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None

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None

7.5.3. Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA), Australia

None

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None

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None

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None

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Action: For information

7.8.2. Overview of orphan marketing authorisations/applications

Action: For information

8. Any other business

8.1. 4th EAHP Synergy Certification Course on Rare diseases and orphan medicines as an integral part of European healthcare setting – speaker invitation

Action: For discussion

8.2. EMA Business Pipeline activity and Horizon scanning

Action: For information

Document tabled:
Q1-2023 Update of the Business Pipeline report for the human scientific committees

9. Explanatory notes

The notes below give a brief explanation of the main sections and headings in the COMP agenda and should be read in conjunction with the agenda or the minutes.

Abbreviations / Acronyms

CHMP: Committee for Medicinal Product for Human Use

COMP: Committee for Orphan Medicinal Products

EC: European Commission

OD: Orphan Designation

PA: Protocol Assistance

PDCO: Paediatric Committee

PRAC: Pharmacovigilance and Risk Assessment Committee

SA: Scientific Advice

SAWP: Scientific Advice Working Party

Orphan Designation *(section 2 Applications for orphan medicinal product designation)*

The orphan designation is the appellation given to certain medicinal products under development that are intended to diagnose, prevent or treat rare conditions when they meet a pre-defined set of criteria foreseen in the legislation. Medicinal products which get the orphan status benefit from several incentives (fee reductions for regulatory procedures (including protocol assistance), national incentives for research and development, 10-year market exclusivity) aiming at stimulating the development and availability of treatments for patients suffering from rare diseases.

Orphan Designations are granted by Decisions of the European Commission based on opinions from the COMP. Orphan designated medicinal products are entered in the Community Register of Orphan Medicinal Products.

Protocol Assistance *(section 3 Requests for protocol assistance with significant benefit question)*

The protocol assistance is the help provided by the Agency to the sponsor of an orphan medicinal product, on the conduct of the various tests and trials necessary to demonstrate the quality, safety and efficacy of the medicinal product in view of the submission of an application for marketing authorisation.

Sponsor

Any legal or physical person, established in the Community, seeking to obtain or having obtained the designation of a medicinal product as an orphan medicinal product.

Maintenance of Orphan Designation *(section 4 Review of orphan designation for orphan medicinal products for marketing authorisation).*

At the time of marketing authorisation, the COMP will check if all criteria for orphan designation are still met. The designated orphan medicinal product should be removed from the Community Register of Orphan Medicinal Products if it is established that the criteria laid down in the legislation are no longer met.

More detailed information on the above terms can be found on the EMA website: www.ema.europa.eu/