



NDA 21929/S-042

**SUPPLEMENT APPROVAL
FULFILLMENT OF POSTMARKETING REQUIREMENT**

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Attention: Angela C. Vickers
Regulatory Affairs Director

Dear Ms. Vickers:

Please refer to your Supplemental New Drug Application (sNDA) dated February 28, 2017 and your amendments, submitted under section 505(b) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FDCA) for Symbicort (budesonide and formoterol fumarate dihydrate) Metered Dose Inhaler, 80 mcg/4.5 mcg and 160 mcg/4.5 mcg.

This Prior Approval supplemental new drug application provides for changes to the prescribing information to incorporate the results of the required safety trial with Symbicort and revised class labeling for inhaled corticosteroid/long-acting beta agonist combination products, including removal of the Boxed Warning for asthma-related death. This supplement also provides for replacement of the Medication Guide with a Patient Information leaflet.

APPROVAL & LABELING

We have completed our review of this supplemental application, as amended. It is approved, effective on the date of this letter, for use as recommended in the enclosed, agreed-upon labeling text.

WAIVER OF HIGHLIGHTS SECTION

We are waiving the requirements of 21 CFR 201.57(d)(8) regarding the length of Highlights of prescribing information. This waiver applies to all future supplements containing revised labeling unless we notify you otherwise.

CONTENT OF LABELING

As soon as possible, but no later than 14 days from the date of this letter, submit the content of labeling [21 CFR 314.50(l)] in structured product labeling (SPL) format using the FDA automated drug registration and listing system (eLIST), as described at

<http://www.fda.gov/ForIndustry/DataStandards/StructuredProductLabeling/default.htm>. Content of labeling must be identical to the enclosed labeling text for the package insert, text for the patient information leaflet, and text for the instructions for use, with the addition of any labeling changes in pending “Changes Being Effectuated” (CBE) supplements, as well as annual reportable changes not included in the enclosed labeling.

Information on submitting SPL files using eList may be found in the guidance for industry titled “SPL Standard for Content of Labeling Technical Qs and As” at <http://www.fda.gov/downloads/DrugsGuidanceComplianceRegulatoryInformation/Guidances/UCM072392.pdf>.

The SPL will be accessible from publicly available labeling repositories.

Also within 14 days, amend all pending supplemental applications that include labeling changes for this NDA, including CBE supplements for which FDA has not yet issued an action letter, with the content of labeling [21 CFR 314.50(l)(1)(i)] in MS Word format, that includes the changes approved in this supplemental application, as well as annual reportable changes and annotate each change. To facilitate review of your submission, provide a highlighted or marked-up copy that shows all changes, as well as a clean Microsoft Word version. The marked-up copy should provide appropriate annotations, including supplement number(s) and annual report date(s).

REQUIRED PEDIATRIC ASSESSMENTS

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

Because none of these criteria apply to your application, you are exempt from this requirement.

FULFILLMENT OF POSTMARKETING REQUIREMENT

We have received your submission dated May 10, 2016, containing the final report for the following postmarketing requirement listed in the April 14, 2011 postapproval postmarketing requirement letter.

- 1749-1 A randomized, double-blind, 26-week, active-controlled clinical trial comparing Symbicort (budesonide and formoterol fumarate dihydrate) Inhalation Aerosol with budesonide HFA to evaluate the risk of serious asthma outcomes (hospitalizations, intubation, death) in 11,700 adult and adolescent patients 12 years of age and older with persistent asthma.

Final Protocol Submission: May 2011
Trial Completion: February 2017
Final Report Submission: June 2017

We have reviewed your submission and conclude that the above requirement was fulfilled.

This completes your postmarketing requirement acknowledged in our April 14, 2011, letter.

REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

We remind you that you must comply with reporting requirements for an approved NDA (21 CFR 314.80 and 314.81).

If you have any questions, call Carol F. Hill, Senior Regulatory Health Project Manager, at (301) 796-1226.

Sincerely,

{See appended electronic signature page}

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Center for Drug Evaluation and Research

ENCLOSURE:
Content of Labeling

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Rockville, MD 20857

NDA 21-929

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Attention: Mark DeSiato
Director, Regulatory Affairs

Dear Mr. DeSiato:

Please refer to your new drug application (NDA) dated September 23, 2005, received September 23, 2005, submitted under section 505(b) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act for SYMBICORT® (budesonide/formoterol fumarate dihydrate) Inhalation Aerosol.

We acknowledge receipt of your submissions dated October 21, November 2, 8, and 29, and December 8, 15 (2), 19, and 27, 2005, and January 19, and 30, March 16 (2) and 17 (2), April 11, 13, 19, 26, and 27, May 9, 10, 15 (2), and 31, June 1, 14, 16, and 27, and July 11, 12, 17, 19, and 20, 2006.

This new drug application provides for the use of SYMBICORT® for the long term maintenance treatment of asthma in patients 12 years of age and older.

We completed our review of this application, as amended. It is approved, effective on the date of this letter, for use as recommended in the agreed-upon labeling text.

The final printed labeling (FPL) must be identical to the submitted labeling (package insert [copy enclosed] and Medication Guide [copy enclosed] submitted July 20, 2006, the immediate container label submitted July 11, 2006, and the foil, shield, and carton label submitted July 20, 2006). Marketing the product with FPL that is not identical to the approved labeling text may render the product misbranded and an unapproved new drug.

Please submit an electronic version of the FPL according to the guidance for industry titled *Providing Regulatory Submissions in Electronic Format - NDA*. Alternatively, you may submit 20 paper copies of the FPL as soon as it is available but no more than 30 days after it is printed. Individually mount 15 of the copies on heavy-weight paper or similar material. For administrative purposes, designate this submission "**FPL for approved NDA 21-929.**" Approval of this submission by FDA is not required before the labeling is used.

All applications for new active ingredients, new dosage forms, new indications, new routes of administration, and new dosing regimens are required to contain an assessment of the safety and effectiveness of the product in pediatric patients unless this requirement is waived or deferred. We are deferring submission of your pediatric studies in patients 6 to less than 12 years of age until December

31, 2007. We are waiving the pediatric study requirement for pediatric patients ages zero to less than 6 years of age.

We remind you of your post-approval Chemistry, Manufacturing, and Controls agreements as listed in your amendment dated July 12, 2006.

In addition, submit three copies of the introductory promotional materials that you propose to use for this product. Submit all proposed materials in draft or mock-up form, not final print. Send one copy to this division and two copies of both the promotional materials and the package insert directly to:

Food and Drug Administration
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research
Division of Drug Marketing, Advertising, and Communications
5901-B Ammendale Road
Beltsville, MD 20705-1266

We have not completed validation of the regulatory methods. However, we expect your continued cooperation to resolve any problems that may be identified.

We remind you that you must comply with reporting requirements for an approved NDA (21 CFR 314.80 and 314.81).

If you have any questions, call Colette Jackson, Regulatory Project Manager, at (301) 796-1230.

Sincerely,

{See appended electronic signature page}

Badrul A. Chowdhury, MD, Ph.D.
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Enclosure: Package Insert and Medication Guide.

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