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1. Introduction

1.1. Welcome and declarations of interest of members and experts

Pre-meeting list of participants and restrictions in relation to declarations of interests applicable to the items of the agenda for the COMP plenary session to be held 16-18 April 2024. See April 2024 COMP minutes (to be published post May 2024 COMP meeting).

1.2. Adoption of agenda

COMP agenda for 16-18 April 2024.

1.3. Adoption of the minutes

COMP minutes for 12-14 March 2024.

2. Applications for orphan medicinal product designation

2.1. For opinion

2.1.1. - [EMA/OD/0000133472](#)

Treatment of tuberculosis

Action: For adoption, Oral explanation to be held on 16 April 2024 at 14:00

2.1.2. - [EMA/OD/0000161033](#)

Treatment of hypophosphatasia

Action: For adoption, Oral explanation to be held on 16 April 2024 at 16:00

2.1.3. - [EMA/OD/0000156967](#)

Treatment of familial chylomicronemia syndrome (FCS)

Action: For adoption, Oral explanation to be held on 17 April 2024 at 15:30

2.1.4. - [EMA/OD/0000158039](#)

Treatment of heparin-induced thrombocytopenia

Action: For adoption, Oral explanation to be held on 17 April 2024 at 14:00

2.2. For discussion / preparation for an opinion

2.2.1. - [EMA/OD/0000133251](#)

Treatment of idiopathic hypersomnia

Action: For discussion/adoption

2.2.2. - [EMA/OD/0000155489](#)

Treatment of cutaneous T-cell lymphoma

Action: For discussion/adoption

2.2.3. - [EMA/OD/0000159474](#)

Treatment of Duchenne muscular dystrophy

Action: For discussion/adoption

2.2.4. - [EMA/OD/0000159798](#)

Treatment of recombination-activating gene 1 (*RAG1*) deficiency

Action: For discussion/adoption

2.2.5. - [EMA/OD/0000161987](#)

Treatment of epidermolysis bullosa

Action: For discussion/adoption

2.2.6. - [EMA/OD/0000162667](#)

Treatment of hepatocellular carcinoma

Action: For discussion/adoption

2.2.7. - [EMA/OD/0000162753](#)

Treatment of acute lymphoblastic leukaemia

Action: For discussion/adoption

2.2.8. - [EMA/OD/0000164186](#)

Treatment of phenylalanine hydroxylase deficiency

Action: For discussion/adoption

2.2.9. - [EMA/OD/0000164451](#)

Treatment of *MECP2* duplication syndrome

Action: For discussion/adoption

2.2.10. - [EMA/OD/0000165028](#)

Treatment of small cell lung cancer

Action: For discussion/adoption

2.2.11. - EMA/OD/0000165289

Treatment of DiGeorge's syndrome

Action: For discussion/adoption

2.2.12. - EMA/OD/0000165562

Treatment of neonatal seizures

Action: For discussion/adoption

2.2.13. - EMA/OD/0000165806

Treatment of acute radiation syndrome (ARS)

Action: For discussion/adoption

2.2.14. - EMA/OD/0000165835

Treatment of signet ring cell carcinoma

Action: For discussion/adoption

2.2.15. - EMA/OD/0000165872

Treatment of xeroderma pigmentosum (XP)

Action: For discussion/adoption

2.2.16. - EMA/OD/0000166376

Treatment of arrhythmogenic cardiomyopathy caused by pathogenic mutations in the *PKP2* gene

Action: For discussion/adoption

2.3. Revision of the COMP opinions

None

2.4. Amendment of existing orphan designations

None

2.5. Appeal

None

2.6. Nominations

2.6.1. New applications for orphan medicinal product designation - Appointment of COMP rapporteurs

Action: For adoption

OMPD applications - appointment of rapporteurs at the 16-18 April 2024 COMP meeting

2.7. Evaluation on-going

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

Action: For information

3. Requests for protocol assistance with significant benefit question

3.1. Ongoing procedures

3.1.1. -

Treatment of neurofibromatosis type 1

Action: For adoption

3.1.2. -

Treatment of pyruvate kinase deficiency

Action: For adoption

4. Review of orphan designation for orphan medicinal products at time of initial marketing authorisation

4.1. Orphan designated products for which CHMP opinions have been adopted

4.1.1. Agilus – dantrolene sodium, hemiheptahydrate - EMEA/H/C/006009, EU/3/21/2443, EMA/OD/0000102465

Norgine B.V.; Treatment of malignant hyperthermia

Action: For adoption, Oral explanation to be held on 17 April 2024 at 11:00

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

4.2.1. – efanesoctocog alfa - EMEA/H/C/005968, EU/3/19/2176, EMA/OD/0000160184

Swedish Orphan Biovitrum AB (publ); Treatment of haemophilia A

Action: For adoption

4.3. Appeal

None

4.4. On-going procedures

Action: For information

Review of orphan designation for OMP for MA - On-going procedures

4.5. Orphan Maintenance Reports

Action: For information

5. Review of orphan designation for authorised orphan medicinal products at time marketing authorisation extension

5.1. After adoption of CHMP opinion

None

5.2. Prior to adoption of CHMP opinion

5.2.1. Blincyto – blinatumomab - EMEA/H/C/003731/II/0056, EU/3/09/650, EMA/OD/0000162410

Amgen Europe B.V.; Treatment of acute lymphoblastic leukaemia

Action: For discussion/adoption

5.3. Appeal

5.3.1. Aspaveli – pegcetacoplan - EMEA/H/C/005553/II/0011, EU/3/17/1873, EMA/OD/0000172113

Swedish Orphan Biovitrum AB (publ); Treatment of paroxysmal nocturnal haemoglobinuria

CHMP Rapporteur: Alexandre Moreau; CHMP Co-Rapporteur: Selma Arapovic

Action: For adoption, Oral explanation to be held on 16 April 2024 at 11:00

5.4. On-going procedures

Action: For information

Review of orphan designation for OMP for MA extension - On-going procedures

6. Application of Article 8(2) of the Orphan Regulation

None

7. Organisational, regulatory and methodological matters

7.1. Mandate and organisation of the COMP

7.1.1. COMP membership

Action: For information

7.1.2. Vote by proxy

Action: For information

7.1.3. Strategic Review & Learning meetings

Preliminary feedback from the SRLM meeting in Leuven under the Belgian Presidency of the Council of the EU

Action: For discussion

7.1.4. Protocol Assistance Working Group (PAWG)

Proposed meeting time on 16 April 2024 at 13:00

PAWG draft agenda for 16 April 2024 meeting

7.1.5. COMP Decisions Database

Action: For discussion

7.1.6. Mandate of COMP Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson – call for nominations

Action: For information

7.2. Coordination with EMA Scientific Committees or CMDh-v

7.2.1. Recommendation on eligibility to PRIME – report

PRIME eligibility requests - list of adopted outcomes March 2024

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

7.3.1. Working Party with Patients' and Consumers' Organisations (PCWP) and Working Party with Healthcare Professionals' Organisations (HCPWP)

None

7.3.2. Innovation Task Force (ITF) meetings

Action: For discussion

Upcoming ITF meetings

7.3.3. Oncology Working Party (ONCWP)

Outcome of the ONCWP consultation

Action: For discussion

7.3.4. Committee representatives at Scientific Advice Working Party (SAWP) - call for interest

Action: For discussion

Following departure of a joint COMP-SAWP alternate, a call for expression of interests will be launched.

7.4. Cooperation within the EU regulatory network

7.4.1. European Commission

None

7.5. Cooperation with International Regulators

7.5.1. Food and Drug Administration (FDA)

None

7.5.2. Japanese Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices Agency (PMDA)

None

7.5.3. Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA), Australia

None

7.5.4. Health Canada

None

7.6. **Contacts of the COMP with external parties and interaction with the Interested Parties to the Committee**

None

7.7. **COMP work plan**

None

7.8. **Planning and reporting**

7.8.1. List of all applications submitted/expected and the COMP rapporteurship distribution of valid applications submitted in 2024

Action: For information

7.8.2. Overview of orphan marketing authorisations/applications

Action: For information

8. **Any other business**

8.1. **Collaborare project: kick off project and presentation of the tool**

Action: For discussion

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.

For a list of acronyms and abbreviations, see:

[Abbreviations used in EMA scientific committees & CMD documents and in relation to EMA's regulatory activities](#)

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