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DepoCyte

Withdrawal of the marketing authorisation in the European Union

On 10 July 2018, the European Commission withdrew the marketing authorisation for DepoCyte (cytarabine) in the European Union (EU). The withdrawal was at the request of the marketing authorisation holder, Pacira Ltd, which notified the European Commission of its decision to permanently discontinue the marketing of the product for commercial reasons.

DepoCyte was granted marketing authorisation in the EU on 11 July 2001 for the intrathecal treatment of lymphomatous meningitis. The marketing authorisation was initially valid for a 5-year period. It was then granted unlimited validity in 2011.

The European Public Assessment Report (EPAR) for DepoCyte will be updated to reflect the fact that the marketing authorisation is no longer valid.

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