Summary of Risk Management Plan for Pirfenidone Viatris (pirfenidone)

This is a summary of the risk management plan (RMP) for Pirfenidone Viatris. The RMP details important risks of pirfenidone, how these risks can be minimised, and how more information will be obtained about pirfenidone's risks and uncertainties (missing information).

Pirfenidone Viatris's summary of product characteristics (SmPC) and its package leaflet give essential information to healthcare professionals and patients on how it should be used.

This summary of the RMP for Pirfenidone Viatris should be read in the context of all the information including the assessment report of the evaluation and its plain-language summary, all which is part of the European Public Assessment Report (EPAR).

Important new concerns or changes to the current ones will be included in updates of Pirfenidone Viatris's RMP.

I. The Medicine and What it is Used For

Pirfenidone Viatris is authorised in adults for the treatment of idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis (IPF). It contains pirfenidone as the active substance and it is given by oral route of administration.

Further information about the evaluation of Pirfenidone Viatris benefits can be found in Pirfenidone Viatris's EPAR, including in its plain-language summary, available on the EMA website, under the medicine's webpage. (https://www.ema.europa.eu/en/medicines/human/EPAR/pirfenidone-viatris)

II. Risks Associated with the Medicine and Activities to Minimise or Further Characterise the Risks

Important risks of Pirfenidone Viatris together with measures to minimise such risks, are outlined below.

Measures to minimise the risks identified for medicinal products can be:

- Specific Information, such as warnings, precautions, and advice on correct use, in the package leaflet and SmPC addressed to patients and healthcare professionals;
- Important advice on the medicine's packaging;
- The authorised pack size the amount of medicine in a pack is chosen so to ensure that the medicine is used correctly;
- The medicine's legal status the way a medicine is supplied to the public (e.g. with or without prescription) can help to minimises its risks.

Together, these measures constitute routine risk minimisation measures.

In addition to these measures, information about adverse events is collected continuously and regularly analysed, including PSUR assessment, so that immediate action can be taken as necessary. These measures constitute routine pharmacovigilance activities.

In the case of Pirfenidone Viatris these routine measures are supplemented with additional risk minimisation measures, mentioned under relevant risks below.

II.A List of Important Risks and Missing Information

Important risks of Pirfenidone Viatris are risks that need special risk management activities to further investigate or minimise the risk, so that the medicinal product can be safely taken by patients. Important risks can be regarded as identified or potential. Identified risks are concerns for which there is sufficient proof of a link with the use of Pirfenidone Viatris. Potential risks are concerns for which an association with the use of this medicine is possible based on available data, but this association has not been established yet and needs further evaluation. Missing information refers to information on the safety of the medicinal product that is currently missing and needs to be collected (e.g. on the long-term use of the medicine/use in special patient populations etc.)

Summary of safety concerns

List of Important Risks and Missing Information	
Important Identified Risks	Photosensitivity reaction and rashDrug-Induced Liver Injury (DILI)
Important Potential Risks	• None
Missing Information	• None

II.B Summary of Important Risks

The safety information in the proposed Product Information is aligned to the reference medicinal product.

Important identified risk: Photosensitivity reaction and rash

Evidence for Linking	In line with the originator/reference RMP, this safety concern has
Evidence for Linking	
the Risk to the Medicine	been classified as an important identified risk.
	Routine risk minimisation measures
	SmPC sections 4.2, 4.4, 4.8.
Risk Minimisation	PL sections 2, 3 and 4
Measures	
	Additional risk minimisation measures
	Physician's Safety checklist

Important identified risk: Drug-Induced Liver Injury (DILI)

Evidence for Linking the Risk to the Medicine	In line with the originator/reference RMP, this safety concern has been classified as an important identified risk.
Risk Minimisation Measures	Routine risk minimisation measures SmPC Sections 4.2, 4.3, 4.4, 4.8. PL sections 2, 3 and 4
	Additional risk minimisation measures Physician's Safety checklist

II.C Post-Authorisation Development Plan

II.C.1 Studies Which are Conditions of the Marketing Authorisation

There are no studies which are conditions of the marketing authorisation or specific obligation of Pirfenidone Viatris.

II.C.2 Other Studies in Post-Authorisation Development Plan

There are no studies required for Pirfenidone Viatris.