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Re: Docket No. FDA-2024-P-3822

Dear Dr. Niazi:

I am writing to inform you that the Food and Drug Administration (FDA or Agency) has not yet resolved the issues raised in your citizen petition received on August 10, 2024. Your petition requests that the Agency "to evoke [sic] the orders to stop the US Pharmacopeia to create modified monographs of biological drugs, allowing removal of side-by-side analytical testing of biosimilars with reference product."

FDA has been unable to reach a decision on your petition because it raises complex issues. This interim response is provided in accordance with FDA regulations on citizen petitions (21 CFR 10.30(e)(2)). We will respond to your petition as soon as we have reached a decision on your request.

Sincerely,

Digitally signed by Carol Bennett

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