

Food and Drug Administration Silver Spring MD 20993

BLA 761064

**BLA APPROVAL** 

Genentech, Inc. Attention: Chez Min Murdoch Program Director, Program Development Regulatory (PDR) 1 DNA Way South San Francisco, CA 94080-4990

Dear Ms. Murdoch:

Please refer to your Biologics License Application (BLA) dated August 25, 2016, received August 26, 2016, and your amendments, submitted under section 351(a) of the Public Health Service Act for RITUXAN HYCELA<sup>TM</sup> (rituximab and hyaluronidase human) Injection, 1,400 mg and 23,400 Units/11.7 mL and 1,600 mg and 26,800 Units/13.4 mL for subcutaneous use.

# **LICENSING**

We have approved your BLA for RITUXAN HYCELA<sup>TM</sup> (rituximab and hyaluronidase human) effective this date. You are hereby authorized to introduce or deliver for introduction into interstate commerce, RITUXAN HYCELA<sup>TM</sup> under your existing Department of Health and Human Services U.S. License No. 1048. RITUXAN HYCELA<sup>TM</sup> is indicated for the treatment of adult patients with:

- Follicular Lymphoma (FL)
  - o Relapsed or refractory, follicular lymphoma as a single agent
  - Previously untreated follicular lymphoma in combination with first line chemotherapy and, in patients achieving a complete or partial response to rituximab in combination with chemotherapy, as single-agent maintenance therapy
  - Non-progressing (including stable disease), follicular lymphoma as a single agent after first-line cyclophosphamide, vincristine, and prednisone (CVP) chemotherapy
- Diffuse Large B-cell Lymphoma (DLBCL)
  - o Previously untreated diffuse large B-cell lymphoma in combination with cyclophosphamide, doxorubicin, vincristine, prednisone (CHOP) or other anthracycline-based chemotherapy regimens
- Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia (CLL)
  - o Previously untreated and previously treated CLL in combination with fludarabine and cyclophosphamide (FC).

#### MANUFACTURING LOCATIONS

Under this license, you are approved to manufacture rituximab drug substance at Genentech, Inc. in Vacaville, CA. Under this license, you are approved to manufacture hyaluronidase human drug substance at The final formulated product will be manufactured, filled, labeled, and packaged at You may label your product with the proprietary name, RITUXAN HYCELA<sup>TM</sup>, and will market it in a 1,400 mg rituximab and 23,400 Units hyaluronidase human per 11.7 mL (120 mg/2,000 Units per mL) Injection in a single-dose vial and a 1,600 mg rituximab and 26,800 Units hyaluronidase human per 13.4 mL (120 mg/2,000 Units per mL) Injection in a single-dose vial.

### **DATING PERIOD**

The dating period for RITUXAN HYCELA™ shall be 30 months from the date of manufacture when stored at 2-8° C. The date of manufacture shall be defined as the date of final sterile filtration of the formulated drug product. The dating period for your rituximab drug substance shall be (b) months from the date of manufacture when stored at (c) (d) °C. The dating period for your hyaluronidase human drug substance shall be (d) months from the date of manufacture when stored at (c) (d) °C.

## FDA LOT RELEASE

You are not currently required to submit samples of future lots of RITUXAN HYCELA™ to the Center for Drug Evaluation and Research (CDER) for release by the Director, CDER, under 21 CFR 610.2. We will continue to monitor compliance with 21 CFR 610.1, requiring completion of tests for conformity with standards applicable to each product prior to release of each lot.

Any changes in the manufacturing, testing, packaging, or labeling of RITUXAN HYCELA™, or in the manufacturing facilities, will require the submission of information to your biologics license application for our review and written approval, consistent with 21 CFR 601.12.

#### APPROVAL & LABELING

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

## **CONTENT OF LABELING**

As soon as possible, but no later than 14 days from the date of this letter, submit, via the FDA automated drug registration and listing system (eLIST), the content of labeling [21 601.14(b)] in structured product labeling (SPL) format, as described at <a href="http://www.fda.gov/ForIndustry/DataStandards/StructuredProductLabeling/default.htm">http://www.fda.gov/ForIndustry/DataStandards/StructuredProductLabeling/default.htm</a>. Content of labeling must be identical to the enclosed labeling (text for the package insert, Medication Guide). 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 <a href="http://www.fda.gov/downloads/Drugs/GuidanceComplianceRegulatoryInformation/Guidances/UCM072392.pdf">http://www.fda.gov/downloads/Drugs/GuidanceComplianceRegulatoryInformation/Guidances/UCM072392.pdf</a>.

The SPL will be accessible via publicly available labeling repositories.

### **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.

## **CARTON AND IMMEDIATE CONTAINER LABELS**

Submit final printed carton and container labels that are identical to the carton and immediate container labels submitted on June 9, 2017, as soon as they are available, but no more than 30 days after they are printed. Please submit these labels electronically according to the guidance for industry titled *Providing Regulatory Submissions in Electronic Format* — *Certain Human Pharmaceutical Product Applications and Related Submissions Using the eCTD Specifications (May 2015, Revision 3)*. For administrative purposes, designate this submission "Final Printed Carton and Container Labels for approved BLA 761064." Approval of this submission by FDA is not required before the labeling is used.

## 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 this drug product for these indications has orphan drug designations, you are exempt from this requirement.

#### PROMOTIONAL MATERIALS

You may request advisory comments on proposed introductory advertising and promotional labeling. To do so, submit, in triplicate, a cover letter requesting advisory comments, the proposed materials in draft or mock-up form with annotated references, and the package insert to:

Food and Drug Administration Center for Drug Evaluation and Research Office of Prescription Drug Promotion 5901-B Ammendale Road Beltsville, MD 20705-1266 As required under 21 CFR 601.12(f)(4), you must submit final promotional materials, and the package insert, at the time of initial dissemination or publication, accompanied by a Form FDA 2253. Form FDA 2253 is available at

http://www.fda.gov/downloads/AboutFDA/ReportsManualsForms/Forms/UCM083570.pdf. Information and Instructions for completing the form can be found at <a href="http://www.fda.gov/downloads/AboutFDA/ReportsManualsForms/Forms/UCM375154.pdf">http://www.fda.gov/downloads/AboutFDA/ReportsManualsForms/Forms/UCM375154.pdf</a>. For more information about submission of promotional materials to the Office of Prescription Drug

Promotion (OPDP), see http://www.fda.gov/AboutFDA/CentersOffices/CDER/ucm090142.htm.

#### **REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**

You must submit adverse experience reports under the adverse experience reporting requirements for licensed biological products (21 CFR 600.80). You should submit postmarketing adverse experience reports to:

Food and Drug Administration Center for Drug Evaluation and Research Central Document Room 5901-B Ammendale Road Beltsville, MD 20705-1266

Prominently identify all adverse experience reports as described in 21 CFR 600.80.

You must submit distribution reports under the distribution reporting requirements for licensed biological products (21 CFR 600.81).

You must submit reports of biological product deviations under 21 CFR 600.14. You should promptly identify and investigate all manufacturing deviations, including those associated with processing, testing, packing, labeling, storage, holding and distribution. If the deviation involves a distributed product, may affect the safety, purity, or potency of the product, and meets the other criteria in the regulation, you must submit a report on Form FDA-3486 to:

Food and Drug Administration Center for Drug Evaluation and Research Division of Compliance Risk Management and Surveillance 5901-B Ammendale Road Beltsville, MD 20705-1266 Biological product deviations, sent by courier or overnight mail, should be addressed to:

Food and Drug Administration Center for Drug Evaluation and Research Division of Compliance Risk Management and Surveillance 10903 New Hampshire Avenue, Bldg. 51, Room 4206 Silver Spring, MD 20903

### MEDWATCH-TO-MANUFACTURER PROGRAM

The MedWatch-to-Manufacturer Program provides manufacturers with copies of serious adverse event reports that are received directly by the FDA. New molecular entities and important new biologics qualify for inclusion for three years after approval. Your firm is eligible to receive copies of reports for this product. To participate in the program, please see the enrollment instructions and program description details at <a href="http://www.fda.gov/Safety/MedWatch/HowToReport/ucm166910.htm">http://www.fda.gov/Safety/MedWatch/HowToReport/ucm166910.htm</a>.

If you have any questions, call Laura Wall, Regulatory Project Manager, at (301) 796-2237.

Sincerely,

{See appended electronic signature page}

Ann T. Farrell, MD Director Division of Hematology Products Office of Hematology and Oncology Products Center for Drug Evaluation and Research

**ENCLOSURES:** 

Content of Labeling
Carton and Container Labeling

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