

UCB Announces PDUFA Date for Bimekizumab

Brussels, Belgium – 28 April 2021, 7:00 CEST – UCB announced today that the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has set the Prescription Drug User Fee Act (PDUFA) date for UCB's Biologics License Application (BLA) for *bimekizumab* for the treatment of adults with moderate to severe plaque psoriasis at October 15, 2021.

Bimekizumab for the treatment of adults with moderate to severe plaque psoriasis is currently under review by the U.S. FDA for the BLA and the European Medicines Agency (EMA) for the Marketing Authorization Application (MAA), respectively. Regulatory reviews are also underway in Japan, Australia and Canada.

Subject to respective approvals, UCB will bring bimekizumab to patients starting in the second half of 2021.

About Bimekizumab - Bimekizumab is an investigational humanized monoclonal IgG1 antibody that selectively inhibits both IL-17A and IL-17F, two key cytokines driving inflammatory processes. [1] IL-17F has overlapping biology with IL-17A and drives inflammation independently to IL-17A. [2], [3], [4], [5], [6] Selective inhibition of IL-17F in addition to IL-17A suppresses inflammation to a greater extent than IL-17A inhibition alone. ^{5,6} The safety and efficacy of bimekizumab are being evaluated across multiple disease states as part of a robust clinical program. The safety and efficacy of bimekizumab have not been established and it is not approved by any regulatory authority worldwide. Bimekizumab is currently also being evaluated in Phase 3 trials for potential indications in psoriatic arthritis, [7], [8] ankylosing spondylitis, [9] non-radiographic axial spondyloarthritis [10] and hidradenitis suppurativa. [11], [12]

About Psoriasis - Psoriasis is a common, chronic inflammatory disease with primary involvement of the skin. This skin condition affects men and women of all ages and ethnicities.^[13]

Psoriasis signs and symptoms can vary but may include red patches of skin covered with silvery scales; dry, cracked skin that may bleed; and thickened, pitted or ridged nails.^[14]

Psoriasis affects nearly three percent of the population, or about 125 million people worldwide. [15], [16] Unmet needs remain in the treatment of psoriasis. A population-based survey identified that approximately 30 percent of psoriasis patients reported that their primary goals of therapy, including keeping symptoms under control, reducing itching and decreasing flaking, were not met with their current treatment. [17] Psoriasis has a considerable psychological and quality of life impact, potentially affecting work, recreation, relationships, sexual functioning, family and social life. [18]

About UCB - UCB, Brussels, Belgium (www.ucb.com) is a global biopharmaceutical company focused on the discovery and development of innovative medicines and solutions to transform the lives of people living with severe diseases of the immune system or of the central nervous system. With more than 7 600 people in approximately 40 countries, the company generated revenue of € 5.3 billion in 2020. UCB is listed on Euronext Brussels (symbol: UCB). Follow us on Twitter: @UCB news.

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