



Theravance Biopharma Highlights Approval of Expanded Indication in the US for Once-Daily Trelegy Ellipta for Treatment of COPD Patients

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DUBLIN, April 25, 2018 /PRNewswire/ -- Theravance Biopharma, Inc. (NASDAQ: TBPH) ("Theravance Biopharma") today highlighted that the US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has approved an expanded indication for Trelegy Ellipta. This expanded approval in the US allows Trelegy Ellipta to be used as a treatment for a broader population of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) patients with airflow limitation or who have experienced an acute worsening of respiratory symptoms. Trelegy Ellipta is the triple combination therapy of fluticasone furoate, umeclidinium, and vilanterol (FF/UMEC/VI) in a single ELLIPTA[®] inhaler.



Trelegy Ellipta is a product in which Theravance Biopharma has an economic interest in future payments that may be made by GlaxoSmithKline (GSK) or one of its affiliates pursuant to its agreements with Innoviva (formerly Theravance, Inc.). Theravance Biopharma is entitled to receive an 85% economic interest in the royalties paid by GSK on worldwide net sales. Those royalties are upward-tiering from 6.5% to 10%, resulting in cash flows to Theravance Biopharma of approximately 5.5% to 8.5% of worldwide net sales of Trelegy Ellipta.

Trelegy Ellipta is the first COPD treatment to provide a combination of three molecules in a single inhaler that only needs to be taken once a day. The unique combination treatment includes: FF, an inhaled corticosteroid; UMEC, a long-acting muscarinic antagonist (LAMA); and VI, a long-acting beta₂-adrenergic agonist (LABA). This combination has been formulated to be delivered once-daily in GSK's ELLIPTA[®] dry powder inhaler.

In a [press release](#) dated April 24, 2018, GSK and Innoviva announced that the US FDA has approved an expanded indication for Trelegy Ellipta to include the long-term, once-daily, maintenance treatment of airflow obstruction in patients with COPD, including chronic bronchitis and/or emphysema. It is also indicated to reduce exacerbations of COPD in patients with a history of exacerbations. It is not indicated for relief of acute bronchospasm or for the treatment of asthma.

The approval is based on a supplemental New Drug Application (sNDA) supported by data from the landmark InforMing the Pathway of COPD Treatment (IMPACT) study which showed Trelegy Ellipta was superior to the inhaled corticosteroid/long-acting beta₂-adrenergic agonist (ICS/LABA), Relvar/Breo Ellipta (FF/VI), and long-acting muscarinic antagonist/long-acting beta₂-adrenergic agonist (LAMA/LABA), Anoro Ellipta (UMEC/VI), on multiple clinically important endpoints, including reducing exacerbations and improving lung function and health related quality of life.

Trelegy Ellipta was originally approved for use in the US in September 2017 for the long-term, once-daily, maintenance treatment of COPD patients who are receiving Breo and require additional bronchodilation or who are receiving Breo and Incruse (UMEC). The product is also approved in Europe as a maintenance treatment in adult patients with moderate to severe COPD who are not adequately treated by a combination of an ICS and a LABA. A type II variation to support an expanded label in Europe was submitted to the European Medicines Agency (EMA) in February 2018 and is currently under review. Regulatory applications for Trelegy Ellipta have been submitted and are undergoing assessments in a number of other countries.

The boxed warning has also been removed from the Trelegy Ellipta prescribing information, in line with the recent updates to the ICS/LABA class. Labelling changes to ICS/LABA combination medicines were implemented following a review of safety data submitted to the FDA by three companies including GSK and approved on December 20, 2017.

About Theravance Biopharma

Theravance Biopharma, Inc. ("Theravance Biopharma") is a diversified biopharmaceutical company with the core purpose of creating medicines that help improve the lives of patients suffering from serious illness.

In our relentless pursuit of this objective, we strive to apply insight and innovation at each stage of our business, including research, development and commercialization, and utilize both internal capabilities and those of partners around the world. Our research efforts are focused in the areas of inflammation and immunology. Our research goal is to design localized medicines that target diseased tissues, without systemic exposure, in order to maximize patient benefit and minimize risk. These efforts leverage years of experience in developing localized medicines for the lungs to treat respiratory disease. The first potential medicine to emerge from our research focus on immunology and localized treatments is an oral, intestinally restricted pan-Janus kinase (JAK) inhibitor, currently in development to treat a range of inflammatory intestinal diseases. Our pipeline of internally discovered product candidates will continue to evolve with the goal of creating transformational medicines to address the significant needs of patients.

In addition, we have an economic interest in future payments that may be made by Glaxo Group or one of its affiliates (GSK) pursuant to its agreements with Innoviva, Inc. relating to certain programs, including Trelegy Ellipta.

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