

Challenges with conducting pediatric trials in pJIA

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FDA Approved Drugs for pJIA and Actively Recruiting Interventional Clinical Trials in pJIA (CT.GOV*)

- FDA Approved drugs
 - Methotrexate
 - Enbrel (etanercept), May 1999
 - Humira (adalimumab), February 2008
 - Orencia (abatacept), April 2008
 - Actemra (tocilizumab), April 2013

- Actively recruiting interventional clinical trials
 - Tofacitinib
 - Upadacitinib
 - Baricitinib
 - VSL#3 (probiotic)

Sarilumab Pediatric Post Marketing Requirement

Sarilumab (Kevzara) approved by US FDA for the treatment of adult patients with moderate to severe active RA in May 2017

Postmarket Requirements and Commitments

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Applicant:	sanofi-aventis U.S. LLC
Product:	Kevzara (Sarilumab)
NDA/BLA Number:	761037
NDA/BLA Approval Date:	05/22/2017
Annual Report Due Date: <small>(must be submitted within 60 days of this date)</small>	05/22/2019
Annual Report Received:	07/20/2018

Requirement/Commitment Number: 1

Required Under:	Pediatric Research Equity Act
Original Projected Completion Date:	12/31/2018
Description:	A study to assess the pharmacokinetic and pharmacodynamics (PK/PD) parameters and dosing of sarilumab in children ages greater than or equal to 2 years to 17 years with polyarticular juvenile idiopathic arthritis (pJIA) (study DRI3925).
Current Status:	Submitted
Explanation of Status:	The final report was submitted to FDA on 12/17/2018.

Requirement/Commitment Number: 2

Required Under:	Pediatric Research Equity Act
Original Projected Completion Date:	01/31/2023
Description:	A study to assess the efficacy and safety of sarilumab in children ages greater than or equal to 2 years to 17 years with polyarticular JIA (study EFC11783).
Current Status:	Delayed
Explanation of Status:	The final protocol is delayed pending results from 3218-1 which is ongoing.



Sarilumab pJIA Dose-Finding Study Design: DRI13925

- An Open-label, Sequential, Ascending, Repeated Dose-finding Study of Sarilumab, Administered with Subcutaneous (SC) Injection, in Children and Adolescents, Aged 2 to 17 Years, with Polyarticular-course Juvenile Idiopathic Arthritis (pcJIA) followed by an Extension Phase
- 12-week treatment part and 92-week extension part
- 3 ascending doses evaluated in 2 weight groups
- Total 36 patients projected to be enrolled in 16 countries; 45 sites

Sarilumab pJIA Confirmatory Efficacy and Safety Study design: EFC11783

- A randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled withdrawal study of sarilumab administered subcutaneously (SC) in children and adolescents, aged 2 to 17, with polyarticular-course juvenile idiopathic arthritis (pcJIA)
- 16 week open label phase followed by a 24 week double-blind withdrawal phase
- At least 270 patients anticipated to be enrolled with ~220 randomized to DB withdrawal phase

Enrollment Timelines - DRI13925 (Dose-finding Portion – 12 week core phase) Projected and Actual

	Planned (Initial)	Actual
Number of patients	36	42
Number of sites selected	30 / 40	45
Number of countries selected	10-20	16
First Patient In	Jun-16	03-Oct-16
Last Patient In	05-Jul-17	16-May-18
Last Patient Last Visit	27-Sep-17	08-Aug-18

Multiple timeline revisions made over the course of the 12 week core phase enrollment period due to recruitment challenges

Enrollment – DRI13925

- US recruitment
 - Multiple sites targeted for participation
 - 3 sites participated; no patients enrolled

- Ex-US recruitment – 20 sites enrolled 42 patients.

20 sites enrolled at least 1 patient, in 11 countries (Argentina, Chile, Czech Republic, France, Germany, Italy, Mexico, Netherlands, Poland, Russia, and Spain).

Key Challenges in Enrollment – DRI13925

- Rare disease
 - Parents not consenting
 - Availability of alternative therapies
 - Finding patients with active disease
 - Study Design
 - **Frequent PK sampling within the first 2 weeks of the study**
 - **Frequent visits**
 - **Management of recruitment across countries and sites due to:**
 - dose-finding study design: enrollment by cohort, dose escalation process, pause in the recruitment between cohorts for DMC/DEC activities
 - recruitment more difficult in lower weight patients
 - keeping sites motivated while monitoring the staggered recruitment
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Mitigation Strategies – DRI13925

- Targeted pediatric-rheumatology sites familiar with clinical trials and PK trials
- Dynamic monitoring of recruitment (number of patients per dose and group) across countries and sites
- Proactive communication to maintain site commitment
- Increased number of qualified sites in select countries

Conclusion

- Challenging enrollment for dose-finding study
 - pJIA rare disease
 - Several approved treatments available
 - Treat to target objective in pediatric patients
 - Competing clinical trials
- Sponsor revising strategy to fulfill PMR given challenges for conducting a study in this disease

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DRI13925

16 Participating countries – 45 sites

