

Endari Update

TORRANCE, Calif.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Emmaus announced today that Endari™ (L-glutamine oral powder) is packaged and is being shipped to the distributor. An administrative matter is causing a minor delay in its release; however, Emmaus is committed to providing Endari to patients as soon as possible and the date of availability will be announced in the near term.

Endari is indicated to reduce the acute complications of sickle cell disease in adult and pediatric patients 5 years of age and older. The most common adverse reactions occurring in greater than 10 percent of patients receiving Endari in clinical studies were constipation, nausea, headache, abdominal pain, cough, pain in the extremities, back pain, and chest pain. Endari should only be taken under the direction of a physician. Endari has received Orphan Drug designation in the U.S. and Orphan Medicinal Product designation in the EU.

Emmaus is actively working with payers to ensure coverage and access for patients with sickle cell disease.

About Sickle Cell Disease

Sickle Cell Disease is an inherited blood disorder characterized by the production of an altered form of hemoglobin which polymerizes and becomes fibrous, causing red blood cells to become rigid and change form so that they appear sickle shaped instead of soft and rounded. Patients with Sickle Cell Disease suffer from debilitating episodes of sickle cell crises, which occur when the rigid, adhesive and inflexible red blood cells occlude blood vessels. Sickle cell crises cause excruciating pain as a result of insufficient oxygen being delivered to tissue, referred to as tissue ischemia, and inflammation. These events may lead to organ damage, stroke, pulmonary complications, skin ulceration, infection and a variety of other adverse outcomes. Sickle Cell Disease is an orphan disease, affecting approximately 100,000 patients in the U.S. and millions worldwide with significant unmet medical needs.

About Emmaus Life Sciences

Emmaus Life Sciences, Inc. is engaged in the discovery, development and commercialization of innovative treatments and therapies for rare diseases. The company's research on sickle cell disease was initiated by Yutaka Niihara, MD, MPH, Chairman and CEO of Emmaus, at the Los Angeles Biomedical Research Institute at Harbor-UCLA Medical Center. For more information, please visit www.emmauslifesciences.com.

Forward-Looking Statements

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