

Biosimilar User Fee Act (BsUFA) Reauthorization

FDA and Industry Steering Committee Meeting | Meeting Summary

April 20th, 2021 | 2:00pm-4:00pm

Virtual Format

PURPOSE

To revisit proposals related to supplements (excluding labeling for product safety updates), guidance development, and best practices for application review.

PARTICIPANTS

FDA

Josh Barton	CDER
Leslie Bryant	OC
Alonza Cruse	ORA
Emily Ewing	CDER
Alison Falb	CDER
Laurie Graham	CDER
Leila Hann	CDER
Andrew Kish	CDER
Steve Kozlowski	CDER
Paul Phillips	CDER
Carol Rehkopf	CBER
Chris Sese	CDER
Mary Ann Slack	CDER
Peter Stein	CDER
Kim Taylor	CDER
Mary Thanh Hai	CDER
Sarah Yim	CDER

Industry

Hillel Cohen	AAM (Sandoz)
David Gaugh	AAM
Lisa Parks	AAM
Cory Wohlbach	AAM (Teva)
Linda Bowen	BIO (Seagen)
Leah Christl	BIO (Amgen)
John Murphy	BIO
Camelia Thompson	BIO
Ryan Fournier	Biosimilars Forum (Wiley)
Trevor LaSalvia	Biosimilars Forum (Wiley)
Erika Satterwhite	Biosimilars Forum (Viatris)
Nathalie Yanze	Biosimilars Forum (Coherus)
David Ceryak	PhRMA (Eli Lilly)
Ryan Kaat	PhRMA
Laura McKinley	PhRMA (Pfizer)
Lucy Vereshchagina	PhRMA

Supplements (excluding Labeling for Product Safety Updates)

FDA and Industry shared updated thinking on supplement proposals. Industry highlighted the importance of clear and predictable timelines for supplement review. Industry also clarified that their proposal applies only to labeling supplements. FDA described the complexity of supplement categories and emphasized the need for careful consideration of categories and review timelines. FDA agreed to provide additional clarity on the Agency’s proposed supplement categories and review timelines.

Guidance Development

FDA presented a response to Industry's proposal on guidance development, including holding a workshop during BsUFA III to discuss policy priorities for the program. Industry highlighted their interest in early timelines for guidance. FDA agreed to consider Industry's feedback.

Best Practices for Application Review

FDA presented a response to Industry's proposal on best practices for application review. FDA and Industry agreed that accelerating the timeline for discussions about best practices is mutually beneficial. FDA and Industry discussed opportunities for additional follow-up discussion on implementation of best practices into FDA documents and procedures.

The goals for the next meeting on April 27th will be to revisit supplements and labeling for product safety updates, meeting management, information technology, and financial and staffing enhancements.

There were no other substantive proposals, significant controversies, or differences of opinion discussed at this meeting.