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WRITTEN REQUEST – AMENDMENT 3

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Dear Ms. Reka:

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Study 2:

Primary objective

- To estimate the complete remission (CR) rate in patients with refractory or relapsed (first and subsequent) B-ALL, T-ALL treated with curative intent between 29-45 days of initiation of therapy (35-50 days for infants).

Secondary objectives:

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 - ~~1. Forty percent (40%) of enrolled subjects will be post immunotherapy B cell ALL while 60% enrolled subjects will be refractory or relapsed T cell ALL.~~
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- ☐ **Efficacy Endpoints:**

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- ☐ The Phase 2 primary endpoint will be:

- Subjects who achieve CR at the end of the induction cycle

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- ☐ Safety outcomes of subjects treated with carfilzomib in combination with VXLD must include descriptive adverse events, including the incidence of overall adverse events, of severe adverse events, of grade 3 or higher adverse events, and of fatal adverse events. The type, incidence, and severity of laboratory abnormalities must also be analyzed for each group. Safety analyses must be performed separately for each study, in aggregate, and by age group.

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 - ☐ Pharmacokinetic samples must be collected by rich sampling in all patients during the Phase 1B portion of Study 1 and optimal sparse sampling in all patients in the carfilzomib treatment arm during the Phase 2 portion of Study 1. Data from Study 1 must be used for pharmacokinetic/ pharmacodynamic analyses to explore exposure-response relationships for clinical safety and efficacy endpoints.
- *Known drug safety concerns and monitoring:* The important identified risks of carfilzomib that have emerged in clinical studies include cardiac toxicity (cardiac failure, myocardial ischemia, myocardial infarction, and cardiac arrest), pulmonary toxicities (acute respiratory distress syndrome [ARDS], acute respiratory failure, and acute diffuse infiltrative pulmonary disease such as pneumonitis and interstitial lung disease), pulmonary hypertension, dyspnea, hypertension including hypertensive crises, acute renal failure, hemorrhage and thrombocytopenia, tumor lysis syndrome (TLS), infusion reactions, hepatic toxicity, venous thromboembolism, hepatitis B virus (HBV) reactivation, thrombotic microangiopathy, and posterior reversible encephalopathy syndrome (PRES) and important potential risk of carfilzomib includes progressive multifocal leukoencephalopathy (PML). All of these important risks and other potential adverse reactions of carfilzomib will be monitored throughout the study in all patients.
- *Extraordinary results:* In the course of conducting these studies, you may discover evidence to indicate that there are unexpected safety concerns, unexpected findings of benefit in a smaller sample size, or other unexpected results. In the event of such findings, there may be a need to deviate from the requirements of this Written Request. If you believe this is the case, you must contact the Agency to seek an amendment. It is solely within the Agency's discretion to decide whether it is appropriate to issue an amendment.
- *Drug information:*
 - *Dosage form:* Carfilzomib for Injection, 60 mg/vial, is supplied as a white to off-

white lyophilized cake or powder in a single-use vial.

- *Route of administration:* Intravenous infusion
- *Regimen:* Intravenous infusion over approximately 30 minutes

An age-appropriate formulation will be used in the study(ies) described above.

- *Statistical information, including power of study(ies) and statistical assessments:*

A sample size of 100 subjects should provide 70% power for at least one phenotype. The power estimate is dependent on the assumptions around the odds ratio for complete response and the sample size in the external control for each phenotype. The details will be included in the statistical analysis plan.

The primary efficacy analysis should be performed based on the primary analysis set, defined as all patients who received at least 1 dose of carfilzomib. The analysis will be performed based on a 2-sided 5% alpha level and will evaluate whether after appropriate adjustment the 95% CI for Odds ratio (OR) between complete response rates of the treatment arm at the end of the Induction Cycle relative to a clinically relevant external control group excludes 1 or each phenotype (B-cell ALL /T-cell ALL) independently. The OR and 95% CI will be estimated via logistic regression model weighted with propensity score weighting for the average treatment effect in the treated (IPTW-ATT). No additional adjustment for multiplicity will be performed.

The statistical analysis plan (SAP) will be submitted to FDA for review and agreement prior to study analysis. In addition to the primary efficacy analysis, the SAP will describe analyses which assess the comparability of the enrolled patients to the external control group, sensitivity of the results to key model assumptions including unmeasured confounding, and overall model fit.

Supportive analyses will be provided to further assess the primary endpoint of CR. For each cohort, the point estimate of CR and its 95% confidence interval will be provided. In addition, historical estimates of CR in patients treated with best available therapy will be provided via a literature search. Descriptive comparisons will be made in order to assess whether the proposed regimen provides benefit over available therapy.

- *Labeling that may result from the study(ies):* You must submit proposed pediatric labeling to incorporate the findings of the study(ies). Under section 505A(j) of the Act, regardless of whether the study(ies) demonstrate that Carfilzomib is safe and effective, or whether such study results are inconclusive in the studied pediatric population(s) or subpopulation(s), the labeling must include information about the

results of the study(ies). Under section 505A(k)(2) of the Act, you must distribute to physicians and other health care providers at least annually (or more frequently if FDA determines that it would be beneficial to the public health), information regarding such labeling changes that are approved as a result of the study(ies).

- *Format and types of reports to be submitted:* You must submit full study reports (which have not been previously submitted to the Agency) that address the issues outlined in this request, with full analysis, assessment, and interpretation. In addition, the reports must include information on the representation of pediatric patients of ethnic and racial minorities. All pediatric patients enrolled in the study(ies) should be categorized using one of the following designations for race: American Indian or Alaska Native, Asian, Black or African American, Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander or White. For ethnicity, you should use one of the following designations: Hispanic/Latino or Not Hispanic/Latino. If you choose to use other categories, you should obtain agency agreement.

Under section 505A(d)(2)(B) of the Act, when you submit the study reports, you must submit all postmarketing adverse event reports regarding this drug that are available to you at that time. All post-market reports that would be reportable under section 21 CFR 314.80 should include adverse events occurring in an adult or a pediatric patient. In general, the format of the post-market adverse event report should follow the model for a periodic safety update report described in the Guidance for Industry *E2C Clinical Safety Data Management: Periodic Safety Update Reports for Marketed Drugs* and the Guidance addendum. You are encouraged to contact the reviewing Division for further guidance.

Although not currently required, we request that study data be submitted electronically according to the Study Data Tabulation (SDTM) standard published by the Clinical Data Interchange Standards Consortium (CDISC) provided in the document “*Study Data Specifications*,” which is posted on <http://www.fda.gov/downloads/Drugs/DevelopmentApprovalProcess/FormsSubmissions/Requirements/ElectronicSubmissions/UCM199759.pdf> and referenced in the FDA Guidance for Industry, *Providing Regulatory Submissions in Electronic Format - Human Pharmaceutical Product Applications and Related Submissions Using the eCTD Specifications* at <http://www.fda.gov/Cder/guidance/7087rev.htm>.

- *Timeframe for submitting reports of the study(ies):* Reports of the above studies must be submitted to the Agency on or before April 18, 2025. Please keep in mind that pediatric exclusivity attaches only to existing patent protection or exclusivity that would otherwise expire nine (9) months or more after pediatric exclusivity is granted, and FDA has 180 days from the date that the study reports are submitted to make a pediatric exclusivity determination. Therefore, to ensure that a particular patent or exclusivity is eligible for pediatric exclusivity to attach, you are advised to submit the reports of the studies at least 15 months (9 months plus 6 months/180 days for

determination) before such patent or exclusivity is otherwise due to expire.

- *Response to Written Request:* Under section 505(A)(d)(2)(A)(i), within 180 days of receipt of this Written Request you must notify the Agency whether or not you agree to the Written Request. If you agree to the request, you must indicate when the pediatric studies will be initiated. If you do not agree to the request, you must indicate why you are declining to conduct the study(ies). If you decline on the grounds that it is not possible to develop the appropriate pediatric formulation, you must submit to us the reasons it cannot be developed.

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For ease of reference, a complete copy of the Written Request, as amended, is attached to this letter.

Reports of the studies that meet the terms of the Written Request dated March 17, 2015, as amended by this letter and by previous amendments dated December 19, 2015, and December 10, 2020, must be submitted to the Agency on or before April 18, 2025, in order to possibly qualify for pediatric exclusivity extension under Section 505A of the Act.

Submit reports of the studies as a supplement to an approved NDA with the proposed labeling changes you believe are warranted based on the data derived from these studies. When submitting the reports, clearly mark your submission **“SUBMISSION OF PEDIATRIC STUDY REPORTS – PEDIATRIC EXCLUSIVITY DETERMINATION REQUESTED”** in large font, bolded type at the beginning of the cover letter of the submission and include a copy of this letter.

In accordance with section 505A(k)(1) of the Act, FDA must make available to the public the medical, statistical, and clinical pharmacology reviews of the pediatric studies conducted in response to this Written Request within 210 days of submission of your study report(s). These reviews will be posted regardless of the following:

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- the exclusivity determination (i.e., granted or denied).

FDA will post the medical, statistical, and clinical pharmacology reviews on the FDA website.¹

If you wish to discuss any amendments to this Written Request, submit proposed changes and the reasons for the proposed changes to your application. Clearly mark submissions of proposed changes to this request **“PROPOSED CHANGES IN WRITTEN REQUEST FOR PEDIATRIC STUDIES”** in large font, bolded type at the beginning of the cover letter of the submission. We will notify you in writing if we agree to any changes to this Written Request.

If you have any questions, call Saumya Nathan, Regulatory Project Manager, at (301) 348-1963.

Sincerely,

{See appended electronic signature page}

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ENCLOSURE(S):

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¹ <https://www.fda.gov/Drugs/DevelopmentApprovalProcess/DevelopmentResources/ucm316937.htm>



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- *Extraordinary results:* In the course of conducting these studies, you may discover evidence to indicate that there are unexpected safety concerns, unexpected findings of benefit in a smaller sample size, or other unexpected results. In the event of such findings, there may be a need to deviate from the requirements of this Written Request. If you believe this is the case, you must contact the Agency to seek an amendment. It is solely within the Agency's discretion to decide whether it is appropriate to issue an amendment.
- *Drug information:*
 - *Dosage form:* Carfilzomib for Injection, 60 mg/vial, is supplied as a white to off-white lyophilized cake or powder in a single-use vial.
 - *Route of administration:* Intravenous infusion
 - *Regimen:* Intravenous infusion over approximately 30 minutes

An age-appropriate formulation will be used in the study(ies) described above.

- *Statistical information, including power of study(ies) and statistical assessments:*

A sample size of 100 subjects should provide 70% power for at least one phenotype. The power estimate is dependent on the assumptions around the odds ratio for complete response and the sample size in the external control for each phenotype. The details will be included in the statistical analysis plan.

The primary efficacy analysis should be performed based on the primary analysis set, defined as all patients who received at least 1 dose of carfilzomib. The analysis will be performed based on a 2-sided 5% alpha level and will evaluate whether after appropriate adjustment the 95% CI for Odds ratio (OR) between complete response rates of the treatment arm at the end of the Induction Cycle relative to a clinically relevant external control group excludes 1 or each phenotype (B-cell ALL /T-cell ALL) independently. The OR and 95% CI will be estimated via logistic regression model weighted with propensity score weighting for the average treatment effect in the treated (IPTW-ATT). No additional adjustment for multiplicity will be performed.

The statistical analysis plan (SAP) will be submitted to FDA for review and agreement prior to study analysis. In addition to the primary efficacy analysis, the SAP will describe analyses which assess the comparability of the enrolled patients to the external control group, sensitivity of the results to key model assumptions including unmeasured confounding, and overall model fit.

Supportive analyses will be provided to further assess the primary endpoint of CR. For each cohort, the point estimate of CR and its 95% confidence interval will be provided. In addition, historical estimates of CR in patients treated with best available therapy will be provided via a literature search. Descriptive comparisons will be made in order to assess whether the proposed regimen provides benefit over available therapy.

- *Labeling that may result from the study(ies):* You must submit proposed pediatric labeling to incorporate the findings of the study(ies). Under section 505A(j) of the Act, regardless of whether the study(ies) demonstrate that Carfilzomib is safe and effective, or whether such study results are inconclusive in the studied pediatric population(s) or subpopulation(s), the labeling must include information about the results of the study(ies). Under section 505A(k)(2) of the Act, you must distribute to physicians and other health care providers at least annually (or more frequently if FDA determines that it would be beneficial to the public health), information regarding such labeling changes that are approved as a result of the study(ies).
- *Format and types of reports to be submitted:* You must submit full study reports (which have not been previously submitted to the Agency) that address the issues

outlined in this request, with full analysis, assessment, and interpretation. In addition, the reports must include information on the representation of pediatric patients of ethnic and racial minorities. All pediatric patients enrolled in the study(ies) should be categorized using one of the following designations for race: American Indian or Alaska Native, Asian, Black or African American, Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander or White. For ethnicity, you should use one of the following designations: Hispanic/Latino or Not Hispanic/Latino. If you choose to use other categories, you should obtain agency agreement.

Under section 505A(d)(2)(B) of the Act, when you submit the study reports, you must submit all postmarketing adverse event reports regarding this drug that are available to you at that time. All post-market reports that would be reportable under section 21 CFR 314.80 should include adverse events occurring in an adult or a pediatric patient. In general, the format of the post-market adverse event report should follow the model for a periodic safety update report described in the Guidance for Industry *E2C Clinical Safety Data Management: Periodic Safety Update Reports for Marketed Drugs* and the Guidance addendum. You are encouraged to contact the reviewing Division for further guidance.

Although not currently required, we request that study data be submitted electronically according to the Study Data Tabulation (SDTM) standard published by the Clinical Data Interchange Standards Consortium (CDISC) provided in the document "*Study Data Specifications*," which is posted on <http://www.fda.gov/downloads/Drugs/DevelopmentApprovalProcess/FormsSubmissions/Requirements/ElectronicSubmissions/UCM199759.pdf> and referenced in the FDA Guidance for Industry, *Providing Regulatory Submissions in Electronic Format - Human Pharmaceutical Product Applications and Related Submissions Using the eCTD Specifications* at <http://www.fda.gov/Cder/guidance/7087rev.htm>.

- *Timeframe for submitting reports of the study(ies):* Reports of the above studies must be submitted to the Agency on or before April 18, 2025. Please keep in mind that pediatric exclusivity attaches only to existing patent protection or exclusivity that would otherwise expire nine (9) months or more after pediatric exclusivity is granted, and FDA has 180 days from the date that the study reports are submitted to make a pediatric exclusivity determination. Therefore, to ensure that a particular patent or exclusivity is eligible for pediatric exclusivity to attach, you are advised to submit the reports of the studies at least 15 months (9 months plus 6 months/180 days for determination) before such patent or exclusivity is otherwise due to expire.
- *Response to Written Request:* Under section 505(A)(d)(2)(A)(i), within 180 days of receipt of this Written Request you must notify the Agency whether or not you agree to the Written Request. If you agree to the request, you must indicate when the pediatric studies will be initiated. If you do not agree to the request, you must indicate why you are declining to conduct the study(ies). If you decline on the

grounds that it is not possible to develop the appropriate pediatric formulation, you must submit to us the reasons it cannot be developed.

Furthermore, if you agree to conduct the study(ies), but have not submitted the study reports on or before the date specified in the Written Request, the Agency may utilize the process discussed in section 505A(n) of the Act.

For ease of reference, a complete copy of the Written Request, as amended, is attached to this letter.

Reports of the studies that meet the terms of the Written Request dated March 17, 2015, as amended by this letter and by previous amendments dated December 19, 2015, and December 10, 2020, must be submitted to the Agency on or before April 18, 2025, in order to possibly qualify for pediatric exclusivity extension under Section 505A of the Act.

Submit reports of the studies as a supplement to an approved NDA with the proposed labeling changes you believe are warranted based on the data derived from these studies. When submitting the reports, clearly mark your submission **“SUBMISSION OF PEDIATRIC STUDY REPORTS – PEDIATRIC EXCLUSIVITY DETERMINATION REQUESTED”** in large font, bolded type at the beginning of the cover letter of the submission and include a copy of this letter.

In accordance with section 505A(k)(1) of the Act, FDA must make available to the public the medical, statistical, and clinical pharmacology reviews of the pediatric studies conducted in response to this Written Request within 210 days of submission of your study report(s). These reviews will be posted regardless of the following:

- the type of response to the Written Request (i.e., complete or partial response);
- the status of the application (i.e., withdrawn after the supplement has been filed or pending);
- the action taken (i.e., approval, complete response); or
- the exclusivity determination (i.e., granted or denied).

FDA will post the medical, statistical, and clinical pharmacology reviews on the FDA website.¹

If you wish to discuss any amendments to this Written Request, submit proposed changes and the reasons for the proposed changes to your application. Clearly mark submissions of proposed changes to this request **“PROPOSED CHANGES IN WRITTEN REQUEST FOR PEDIATRIC STUDIES”** in large font, bolded type at the

¹ <https://www.fda.gov/Drugs/DevelopmentApprovalProcess/DevelopmentResources/ucm316937.htm>

beginning of the cover letter of the submission. We will notify you in writing if we agree to any changes to this Written Request.

If you have any questions, call Saumya Nathan, Regulatory Project Manager, at (301) 348-1963.

Sincerely,

{See appended electronic signature page}

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