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To,

M/s Dr Reddys Laboratories Limited,
8-2-337, Road No. 3 Banjara Hills,
Hyderabad (India) – 500034.

Sir,

With reference to your application No. GCT/CT04/FF/2023/39435 (GCT/107/23) dated 01/09/2023, please find enclosed herewith the permission in Form CT-06 for conduct of phase III clinical trial titled, **"A randomised, double-blind, multicentre study comparing the efficacy, safety and immunogenicity of proposed Abatacept biosimilar (DRL_AB) with Orencia® administered by the intravenous route as an add-on to methotrexate in the treatment of patients with moderate to severe rheumatoid arthritis"**, **Protocol No.: AB-01-004 Version No. 1.0 dated 13-AUG-2023 with a total of up-to 100 subjects from India** under the provisions of New Drugs and Clinical Trial Rules, 2019

The permission granted by the Central Licensing Authority to conduct clinical trial shall be subject to following conditions, namely:-

1) Clinical trial at each site shall be initiated after approval of the clinical trial protocol and other related documents by the Ethics Committee of that site, registered with the Central Licencing Authority under rule 8;

2) where a clinical trial site does not have its own Ethics Committee, clinical trial at that site may be initiated after obtaining approval of the protocol from the Ethics Committee of another trial site; or an independent Ethics Committee for clinical trial constituted in accordance with the provisions of rule 7:

Provided that the approving Ethics Committee for clinical trial shall in such case be responsible for the study at the trial site or the centre, as the case may be:

Provided further that the approving Ethics Committee and the clinical trial site or the bioavailability and bioequivalence centre, as the case may be, shall be located within the same city or within a radius of 50 kms of the clinical trial site;

3) in case an ethics committee of a clinical trial site rejects the approval of the protocol, the details of the same shall be submitted to the Central Licensing Authority prior to seeking approval of another Ethics Committee for the protocol for conduct of the clinical trial at the same site;

4) the Central Licencing Authority shall be informed about the approval granted by the Ethics Committee within a period of fifteen working days of the grant of such approval;

5) clinical trial shall be registered with the Clinical Trial Registry of India maintained by the Indian Council of Medical Research before enrolling the first subject for the trial;

6) clinical trial shall be conducted in accordance with the approved clinical trial protocol and other related documents and as per requirements of Good Clinical Practices Guidelines and the provisions of these rules;

7) status of enrolment of the trial subjects shall be submitted to the Central Licencing Authority on quarterly basis or as appropriate as per the duration of treatment in accordance with the approved clinical trial protocol, whichever is earlier;

8) six monthly status report of each clinical trial, as to whether it is ongoing, completed or terminated, shall be submitted to the Central Licencing Authority electronically in the SUGAM portal;

9) in case of termination of any clinical trial the detailed reasons for such termination shall be communicated to the Central Licencing Authority within thirty working days of such termination;

10) any report of serious adverse event occurring during clinical trial to a subject of clinical trial, shall, after due analysis, be forwarded to the Central Licencing Authority, the chairperson of the Ethics Committee and the institute where the trial has been conducted within fourteen days of its occurrence as per Table 5 of the Third Schedule and in compliance with the procedures as specified in Chapter VI;

11) in case of injury during clinical trial to the subject of such trial, complete medical management and compensation shall be provided in accordance with Chapter VI and details of compensation provided in such cases shall be intimated to the Central Licencing Authority within thirty working days of the receipt of order issued by Central Licencing Authority in accordance with the provisions of the said Chapter;

12) in case of clinical trial related death or permanent disability of any subject of such trial during the trial, compensation shall be provided in accordance with Chapter VI and details of compensation provided in such cases shall be intimated to the Central Licencing Authority within thirty working days of receipt of the order issued by the Central Licencing Authority in accordance with the provisions of the said Chapter;

13) the premises of the sponsor including his representatives and clinical trial sites, shall be open for inspection by officers of the Central Licencing Authority who may be accompanied by officers of the State Licencing Authority or outside experts as authorised by the Central Licencing Authority, to verify compliance of the requirements of these rules and Good Clinical Practices Guidelines, to inspect, search and seize any record, result, document, investigational product, related to clinical trial and furnish reply to query raised by the said officer in relation to clinical trial;

14) where the new drug or investigational new drug is found to be useful in clinical development, the sponsor shall submit an application to the Central Licencing Authority for permission to import or manufacture for sale or for distribution of new drug in India, in accordance with Chapter X of these rules, unless otherwise justified;

15) the laboratory owned by any person or a company or any other legal entity and utilised by that person to whom permission for clinical trial has been granted used for research and development, shall be deemed to be registered with the Central Licensing Authority and may be used for test or analysis of any drug for and on behalf of Central Licensing Authority;

16) the Central Licencing Authority may, if considered necessary, impose any other condition in writing with justification, in respect of specific clinical trials, regarding the objective, design, subject population, subject eligibility, assessment, conduct and treatment of such specific clinical trial;

17) the sponsor and the investigator shall maintain the data integrity of the data generated during clinical trial.

18) Merely granting permission to conduct the clinical trial with the Investigational Drug Product does not convey or imply that, based on the clinical trial study data generated with the investigational drug, permission to market this drug in the country will automatically be granted to you;

19) The permission to initiate clinical trial granted under rule 22 in form CT-06 or automatic approval under rule 23 in Form CT 4A shall remain valid for a period of **two years** from the date of its issue, unless extended by the Central Licencing Authority.

Yours faithfully,

RAJEEV SINGH RAGHUVANSHI

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FORM CT-06

(See rules 22,25,26,29 and 30)

PERMISSION TO CONDUCT CLINICAL TRIAL OF NEW DRUG OR INVESTIGATIONAL NEW DRUG

1. The Central Licensing Authority hereby permits **M/s. Dr Reddys Laboratories Limited, 8-2-337, Road No. 3, Banjara Hills, Telangana (India) - 500034** to conduct clinical trial of the new drug or investigational new drug as per **Protocol No.: AB-01-004 Version No. 1.0 Protocol Date 13-AUG-2023** in the below mentioned clinical trial sites [As per Annexure].-

2. Details of new drug or investigational new drug and clinical trial site [As per Annexure].

3. This permission is subject to the conditions prescribed in part A of Chapter V of the New Drugs and Clinical Trials Rules, 2019 under the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940.

Place: New Delhi
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Note: The permission to initiate clinical trial granted under rule 22 in form CT-06 shall remain valid for a period of **two years** from the date of its issue, unless extended by the Central Licencing Authority.

Annexure:
Details of new drug or investigational new drug:

Names of the new drug or investigational new drug	Abatacept
Therapeutic class:	Selective immunosuppressants
Dosage form:	Powder for concentrate for solution for infusion
Composition:	DRL_AB = 25.0000 mg/ml In House Specification Active
Indications:	Rheumatoid arthritis

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Annexure:

Details of clinical trial site:

Sr. No.	Names and address of clinical trial site	Ethics committee details	Name of investigator
1.	Deenanath Mangeshkar Hospital & Research Centre, Erandawane, Pune, Maharashtra-411004	Institutional Ethics Committee-Deenanath Mangeshkar Hospital & Research Centre, Off Karve Road, Erandawane, Pune, Maharashtra - 411004 India ECR/15/Inst/Maha/2013/RR-22	Dr. Joshi Vaijayanti
2.	Chennai Meenakshi Multispeciality Hospital Ltd., New #70, Old #149, Luz Church Road, Mylapore, Chennai, Tamil Nadu-600004, India	Chennai Meenakshi Multispeciality Hospital Ethics Committee (CMMHEC), Chennai Meenakshi Multispeciality Hospital Ltd., New #70, Old #149, Luz Church Road, Mylapore, Chennai, Tamil Nadu-600004, India ECR/516/Inst/TN/2014/RR-20	Dr. Krishnamurthy Venkataraman
3.	ChanRe Rheumatology and Immunology Centre and Research, 414/65, 20th Main, West of Chord Road, 1st Block, Rajajinagar, Bangalore-560010, Karnataka, India	Institutional Ethics Committee-CRICR, ChanRe Rheumatology and Immunology Centre and Research, 414/65, 20th Main, West of Chord Road, 1st Block, Rajajinagar, Bangalore-560010, Karnataka, India ECR/190/Inst/KR/2013/RR-19	Dr. Chandrashekara S
4.	Sushruta Multispeciality Hospital and Research Centre Pvt. Ltd., Vidyanagar, Hubballi-Dharwad Road, Hubballi-580021, Karnataka, India	Sushruta Hospital Ethics Committee, P.B. Road, Vidyanagar, Hubballi-580021, Karnataka, India ECR/372/Inst/KA/2013/RR-19	Dr. Vikram Muralidar Haridas
5.	Government Medical College, Medical College P.O. Kozhikode-673008, Kerala, India	Institutional Ethics Committee, Room No. 1&2, Ground Floor, Lecture Theatre Complex, Medical College Campus, Medical College P.O. Calicut-673008, Kerala ECR/395/Inst/KL/2013/RR-20	Dr. Neeraj Manikath
6.	Vijaya Ortho and Trauma Center, Opp. BIMS, Vijaya Road, Ayodhya Nagar, Belagavi-590001, India	Independent Ethics Committee, Ethiclin Private Limited, P. No. 132, 206/5, Sadashiv Nagar, Near Motimahal, Belagavi, Karnataka-590006, India	Dr. Archana Uppin

		ECR/350/Indt/KA/2021	
7.	Kokilaben Dhirubhai Ambani Hospital & Medical Research Institute, Rao Saheb Achutrao Patwardhan Marg, Four Bungalows, Andheri-West, Mumbai-400053, Maharashtra, India	Institutional Ethics Committee Kokilaben Dhirubhai Ambani Hospital & Medical Research Institute, Rao Saheb Achutrao Patwardhan Marg, Four Bungalows, Andheri-West, Mumbai-400053, Maharashtra, India ECR/141/Inst/MH/2013/RR-19	Dr. Oak Jyotsna
8.	Himalayan Institute of Medical Sciences, Swami Rama Himalayan University, Swami Ram Nagar, Jolly Grant, Dehradun, Uttarakhand-248016, India	Ethics Committee Swami Rama Himalayan University, Swami Ram Nagar, Jolly Grant, Dehradun, Uttarakhand-248016, India ECR/174/Inst/UK/2022	Dr. Yogesh Preet Singh
9.	Avron Hospitals Pvt. Ltd., 4-Shantiniketan Park, near Sardar Patel Statue, Naranpura, Ahmedabad-380013	Avron Multi-Speciality Hospitals Ethics Committee, ., 4-Shantiniketan Park, near Sardar Patel Statue, Naranpura, Ahmedabad-380013 ECR/1136/Inst/GJ/2018/RR-22	Dr. Sharma Vishnu Devakinandan