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U.S. FDA Approves Pfizer’s BRAFTOVI® Combination Regimen as First-Line Treatment of BRAF V600E-Mutant Metastatic Colorectal Cancer

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NOTE:

On December 12, 2024, Ono Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. has submitted a supplemental application for BRAFTOVI® (generic name: encorafenib) Capsule, a BRAF inhibitor, in combination with cetuximab, an anti-human EGFR monoclonal antibody, and chemotherapy in Japan for the indication of “unresectable, advanced or recurrent colorectal cancer with BRAF-mutation”.

About the Approval Status of BRAFTOVI® in Japan

In January 2019, Ono Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. received the manufacturing and marketing approvals for BRAFTOVI® (generic name: encorafenib) Capsule (“Braftovi”), a BRAF inhibitor, in combination with MEKTOVI® (generic name: binimetinib) Tablet (“Mektovi”), a MEK inhibitor, for the indication of unresectable melanoma with a BRAF mutation in Japan and launched them in February 2019. Thereafter, Ono received additional approval in November 2020 for the treatment of unresectable advanced or recurrent colorectal cancer with a BRAF mutation that has progressed following chemotherapy, in triplet combination treatment of Braftovi, Mektovi and cetuximab, an anti-human EGFR monoclonal antibody, as well as in doublet combination treatment of Braftovi and cetuximab. Ono also received additional approval for Braftovi in May 2024 in combination with Mektovi for the indications of unresectable thyroid cancer with a BRAF mutation that has progressed following chemotherapy, and unresectable anaplastic thyroid cancer with a BRAF mutation.

About Ono Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. and Pfizer Inc. Collaboration

In May 2017, Ono Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. entered into the license agreement with Array BioPharma Inc. (currently, a subsidiary of Pfizer Inc.) regarding BRAFTOVI® (encorafenib), a BRAF inhibitor and MEKTOVI® (binimetinib), a MEK inhibitor to receive rights to develop and commercialize both products in Japan and South Korea.

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