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Summary of investigation results Filgrastim, Lenograstim, Nartograstim, Pegfilgrastim

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Non-proprietary name

- a. Filgrastim (genetical recombination) (including follow-on biologics/biosimilars) (See attachment)
- b. Lenograstim (genetical recombination)
- c. Nartograstim (genetical recombination)
- d. Pegfilgrastim (genetical recombination)

Brand name (Marketing authorization holder)

- a. GRAN injection 75 μg, 150 μg, GRAN injection M 300 μg, GRAN SYRINGE 75 μg, 150 μg, GRAN SYRINGE M 300 μg (Kyowa Hakko Kirin Co., Ltd.) and the other follow-on biologics/biosimilars (See attachment)
- b. NEUTROGIN injection 50 µg, 100 µg, 250 µg (Chugai Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd.)
- c. Neu-up injection 25 µg, 50 µg, 100 µg, 250 µg (Yakult Honsha Co., Ltd.)
- d. G-LASTA Subcutaneous Injection 3.6 mg (Kyowa Hakko Kirin Co., Ltd.)

Indications

See attachment.

Summary of revision

a–d.

1. Description regarding skin test should be deleted from the Important Precautions section.

a–c.

2. "Anaphylaxis" should be added to the "Shock" subsection in the Clinically significant adverse reaction section.

Background of the revision and investigation results

1. Skin test

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A petition was submitted by an academic society. We performed an investigation to determine the implementation status of skin test and adverse reaction reports in the post-marketing stage. In addition, we considered descriptions of package inserts overseas and guidelines. Following an investigation result based on the opinions of expert advisors and the available evidence, the MHLW/PMDA concluded that the description for skin test should be deleted in the package insert.

2. Anaphylaxis

Cases have been reported in Japan since the marketing in patients treated with filgrastim (genetical recombination), lenograstim (genetical recombination), and nartograstim (genetical recombination). Considering these reports and following an investigation result based on the opinions of expert advisers and available evidence, the MHLW/PMDA concluded that revision of the package insert was necessary.

The number of reported adverse reactions and fatal cases in the last 3 fiscal years in Japan

1. N/A

2.

- a. A total of 4 cases associated with anaphylaxis has been reported (including a case for which a causal relationship to the product could not be ruled out). No fatality has been reported.
- b. No case associated with anaphylaxis has been reported.
- c. No case associated with anaphylaxis has been reported.



Attachment

	Active ingredients	Applicable brand names	Indications	Name of company
a.	Filgrastim (genetical recombination)	GRAN injection 75 µg GRAN injection 150 µg GRAN injection M 300 µg GRAN SYRINGE 75 µg GRAN SYRINGE 150 µg GRAN SYRINGE M 300 µg	 Mobilization of hematopoietic stem cells into peripheral blood Acceleration of an increase of neutrophil count in hematopoietic stem-cell transplantation Cancer 	Kyowa Hakko Kirin Co., Ltd.
	Filgrastim (genetical recombination) [filgrastim biosimilar 1]	Filgrastim BS 75 µg Syringe for Inj. MOCHIDA Filgrastim BS 150 µg Syringe for Inj. MOCHIDA Filgrastim BS 300 µg Syringe for Inj. MOCHIDA Filgrastim BS Injection Syringe "F" 75 µg	 chemotherapy-induced neutropenia Neutropenia that precludes treatment for human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) infection Neutropenia in myelodysplastic 	Mochida Pharmaceutical Sales Co., Ltd. Fuji Pharma Co., Ltd.



Active	Applicable brand names	Indi	ications	Name of
 ingredients				company
	Filgrastim BS Injection Syringe		syndrome	
	"F" 150 μg	-	Neutropenia in aplastic	
	Filgrastim BS Injection Syringe		anemia	
	"F" 300 μg	-	Congenital or idiopathic	
Filgrastim	Filgrastim BS Inj. 75 µg Syringe		neutropenia	Nippon Kayaku
(genetical	"NK"			Co., Ltd.
recombination)	Filgrastim BS Inj. 150 µg Syringe			
[filgrastim	"NK"			
biosimilar 2]	Filgrastim BS Inj. 300 µg Syringe			
	"NK"			
	Filgrastim BS Inj. 75 µg Syringe			Teva Pharma
	"TEVA"			Japan Inc.
	Filgrastim BS Inj. 150 µg Syringe			
	"TEVA"			
	Filgrastim BS Inj. 300 µg Syringe			
	"TEVA"			
Filgrastim	Filgrastim BS Inj. 75 µg Syringe			Sandoz K.K.
(genetical	[SANDOZ]			



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	ingredients				company
	recombination)	Filgrastim BS Inj. 150 µg Syringe			
	[filgrastim	[SANDOZ]			
	biosimilar 3]	Filgrastim BS Inj. 300 µg Syringe			
		[SANDOZ]			
b.	Lenograstim	NEUTROGIN injection 50 µg	-	Mobilization of	Chugai
	(genetical	NEUTROGIN injection 100 µg		hematopoietic stem cells	Pharmaceutical
	recombination)	NEUTROGIN injection 250 µg		into peripheral blood	Co., Ltd.
			-	Acceleration of an	
				increase of neutrophil	
				count in hematopoietic	
				stem-cell transplantation	
			-	Cancer	
				chemotherapy-induced	
				neutropenia	
			-	Neutropenia in	
				myelodysplastic	
				syndrome	
			-	Neutropenia in aplastic	



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ingredients				company
			anemia	
		-	Congenital or idiopathic	
			neutropenia	
		-	Neutropenia that	
			precludes treatment for	
			HIV infection	
		-	Neutropenia in	
			immunosuppressive	
			therapy (renal transplant)	



	Active	Applicable brand names	Indications	Name of
	ingredients	Applicable brand names	Indications	company
C.	Nartograstim	Neu-up injection 25 µg	 Acceleration of an 	Yakult Honsha
	(genetical	Neu-up injection 50 µg	increase of neutrophil	Co., Ltd.
	recombination)	Neu-up injection 100 µg	count in bone marrow	
		Neu-up injection 250 µg	transplant	
			- Cancer	
			chemotherapy-induced	
			neutropenia	
			 Neutropenia in pediatric 	
			aplastic anemia	
			 Congenital or idiopathic 	
			neutropenia	
d.	Pegfilgrastim	G-LASTA Subcutaneous	Reduction of the risk of	Kyowa Hakko
	(genetical	Injection 3.6 mg	cancer	Kirin Co., Ltd.
	recombination)		chemotherapy-induced febrile	
			neutropenia	