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Summary of Investigation Results Freeze-dried BCG vaccine (for percutaneous use)

August 22, 2019

Non-proprietary name

Freeze-dried BCG vaccine

Branded name (Marketing authorization holder)

Freeze-Dried BCG Vaccine (for percutaneous use; for single dose) (Japan BCG Laboratory)

Indications

Prophylaxis of tuberculosis

Summary of revisions

 "Systemically disseminated BCG infection" and "osteitis, osteomyelitis, periostitis" in the Important Precautions section should be revised to "BCG infection," and language concerning meningitis should be added.

Investigation results and background of the revision

A case of tuberculous meningitis has been reported in Japan. MHLW/PMDA concluded that revision of the package insert was necessary based on the results of their investigation of the currently available evidence and in consultation with expert advisors.



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Number of cases and patient mortalities reported in Japan during the previous 3 fiscal years

1 case involving tuberculous meningitis has been reported to date (A causal relationship between the drug and event could not be ruled out.)

No patient mortalities have been reported to date.