

Zydus in-licenses critical drug for CKD patients from Denmark-based Pharmacosmos

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Ahmedabad-based Zydus Lifesciences has acquired rights to market MonoFerric (iron isomaltoside) injections in India and Nepal from Denmark-based Pharmacosmos A/S.

MonoFerric, iron isomaltoside 1000 solution for injection/infusion, is a rapid, single dose IV iron (up to 20 mg/kg bodyweight) developed to reduce the number of infusions required to achieve iron correction with an excellent safety profile.

It is indicated for the treatment of iron deficiency in adult patients when oral iron preparations are ineffective or cannot be used or where there is a clinical need to deliver iron rapidly. MonoFerric is available in over 30 countries including US and Europe and over 28 million doses have been administered since launch.

Speaking on the development Dr Sharvil Patel, Managing Director, Zydus Lifesciences Ltd. said, "Iron Deficiency is a severe healthcare challenge and also impacts the quality of life more so in chronic kidney disease (CKD) patients. With this introduction, we bring a novel solution to these patients and with our strong lastmile delivery, we will enable access to this critical therapy."

Zydus is amongst the top players in the Nephrology segment with a super-specialty portfolio with brands like Oxemia, Zyrop, Renocrit, Kbind, Grafalon, Tacromus and Mycomune.