

**Approval Date:** [February 21, 2019](#)

**Product:** Zostavax®

**Proper Name:** Zoster Vaccine, Live

**Indication:** For prevention of herpes zoster (shingles) in individuals 50 years of age and older.

**Description:** ZOSTAVAX is a lyophilized preparation of the Oka/Merck strain of live, attenuated varicella-zoster virus (VZV). ZOSTAVAX, when reconstituted as directed, is a sterile suspension for subcutaneous administration.

**BLA:** 125123

**Regulatory Milestone:** No data available

**PDUFA Goal Date:** April 22, 2018

**Package Insert:**

- [Package Insert - Zostavax \(Frozen\)](#)
- [Package Insert - Zostavax \(Refrigerator Stable\)](#)
- [Patient Information - Zostavax \(Frozen\)](#)
- [Patient Information - Zostavax \(Refrigerator Stable\)](#)

**Summary Basis for Regulatory Approval:** [April 18, 2018 Summary Basis for Regulatory Action - ZOSTAVAX](#)

**European Public Assessment Report:** [EPAR Assessment Report](#)

**Advisory Committee:**

A Vaccines and Related Biologics Products Advisory Committee meeting was not held for this supplement as there were no issues or concerns that presented during the review of the supplement that required consult from the advisory committee.

**Safety:**

There were no safety concerns with the interim data in this supplement.

**NCT Numbers:** Completed Clinical Trials

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- NCT02958345
- NCT01573182
- NCT03120364
- NCT03116594
- NCT01391546
- NCT00444860
- NCT00534248
- NCT00851786
- NCT01474720
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- 2007-000344-26
- 2007-004020-20
- 2005-003035-52
- 2009-012458-19
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