Food and Drug Administration

Center for Drug Evaluation and Research (CDER)

Cardiovascular and Renal Drugs Advisory Committee 98th Meeting January 6, 2003

Holiday Inn, 8777 Georgia Avenue, Silver Spring, MD

AGENDA

8:30 Call to Order and Opening Remarks Jeffrey Borer, M.D., Chair

Introduction of Committee

Conflict of Interest Statement Jayne E. Peterson, R.Ph., J.D.,

Acting Executive Secretary, FDA

sNDA 20-386/S-032 Cozaar® (losartan potassium) Tablets, Merck and Co.

Proposed for the reduction in the risk of cardiovascular morbidity and mortality as measured by the combined incidence of cardiovascular death, stroke and myocardial infarction in hypertensive patients with left ventricular hypertrophy.

8: 45 **Sponsor Presentation**

Introduction Jeffrey R. Tucker, M.D.

Director, Regulatory Affairs Merck Research Laboratories

The LIFE Study: Background, Rationale

and Results

Jonathan M. Edelmann, M.D.

Senior Director, Clinical Development Merck – U.S. Human Health Division

Review of the Evidence and Conclusions William F. Keane, M.D.

Vice President, Clinical Development Merck – U.S. Human Health Division

10:15 Break

10:30 FDA Presentation

Ethnic Subgroup Analysis from

the LIFE Study

John Lawrence, Ph.D.

Mathematical Statistician, FDA

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AGENDA (cont.)

11:00	Committee Discussion and Review Committee Reviewer: Thomas Fleming, Ph.D.
12:00	Lunch
1:00	Open Public Hearing
2:00	Continuation of Committee Discussion and Review
3:00	Break
3:15	Continuation of Committee Discussion and Review
5:00	Estimated Time of Adjournment

SGE Consultant (voting)

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