



# Pfizer Granted FDA Breakthrough Therapy Designation for 20-Valent Pneumococcal Conjugate Vaccine for the Prevention of Invasive Disease and Pneumonia in Adults Aged 18 Years and Older

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Breakthrough Therapy Designation Designed by FDA to Expedite the Development and Review of Drugs and Vaccines Which May Demonstrate Substantial Improvement Over Available Therapy 1

NEW YORK--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Pfizer Inc. (NYSE:PFE) announced today that its 20-Valent Pneumococcal Conjugate Vaccine (20vPnC) candidate, PF-06482077, received Breakthrough Therapy designation from the US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for the prevention of invasive disease and pneumonia caused by *Streptococcus pneumoniae* serotypes in the vaccine in adults aged 18 years and older.<sup>2</sup> Pfizer expects to start Phase 3 trials in a few months.

The FDA decision is informed by the results of the 20vPnC Phase 2 randomized, double-blind trial to evaluate the safety and immunogenicity of a multivalent pneumococcal conjugate vaccine in adults 60 through 64 years of age. Pfizer will seek to present and publish outcomes from this clinical trial at a future date.

“We look forward to continuing our dialogue with the FDA so that we can accelerate the development program of the adult indication of Pfizer’s 20-valent next-generation

pneumococcal vaccine candidate,” said Kathrin U. Jansen, Ph.D., Senior Vice President and Head of Vaccine Research & Development, Pfizer. “There continues to be a global health need to protect against the potentially devastating effects of invasive pneumococcal disease and pneumonia caused by additional serotypes, and we are dedicated to continue to build on our expertise in pneumococcal conjugate vaccines with this vaccine candidate.”

Breakthrough Therapy Designation is designed to expedite the development and review of drugs and vaccines that are intended to treat or prevent serious conditions and preliminary clinical evidence indicates that the drug or vaccine may demonstrate substantial improvement over available therapy on a clinically significant endpoint(s).<sup>3</sup> Drugs and vaccines that receive Breakthrough Therapy Designation are eligible for all features of the FDA’s Fast Track designation, which may include more frequent communication with the FDA about the drug’s development plan and eligibility for Accelerated Approval and Priority Review, if relevant criteria are met.<sup>4</sup>

The FDA previously granted Fast Track designation for 20vPnC in October 2017 for use in adults aged 18 years and older.<sup>5</sup> The FDA’s Fast Track approach is a process designed to facilitate the development and expedite the review of new drugs and vaccines intended to treat or prevent serious conditions and address an unmet medical need.<sup>4</sup>

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This release contains forward-looking information about Pfizer's 20-Valent Pneumococcal Conjugate Vaccine (20vPnC) candidate, PF-06482077, and a potential indication to prevent invasive disease and pneumonia caused by *Streptococcus pneumoniae* in adults aged 18 years and older, including its potential benefits, and plans to initiate Phase 3 trials in the coming months, that involves substantial risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed or implied by such statements. Risks and uncertainties include, among other things, the uncertainties inherent in research and development, including the ability to meet anticipated clinical trial completion dates and regulatory submission dates, as well as the possibility of unfavorable clinical trial results, including unfavorable new clinical data or additional analyses of existing clinical data; the risk that clinical trial data are subject to differing interpretations, and, even when we view data as sufficient to support the safety and/or effectiveness of a product candidate, regulatory authorities may not share our views and may require additional data or may deny approval altogether; whether regulatory authorities will be satisfied with the design of and results from our clinical studies; whether and when any biologics license applications may be filed in any jurisdictions for 20vPnC for any indications; whether and when any such applications may be approved by regulatory authorities, which will depend on the assessment by such regulatory authorities of the benefit-risk profile suggested by the totality of the immunogenicity and safety information submitted and, if approved, whether 20vPnC will be commercially successful; decisions by regulatory authorities regarding labeling and other matters that could affect the availability or commercial potential of 20vPnC; uncertainties regarding the ability to obtain recommendations from vaccine technical committees and other public health authorities regarding 20vPnC and uncertainties regarding the commercial impact of any such recommendations; and competitive developments.

A further description of risks and uncertainties can be found in Pfizer's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017 and in its subsequent reports on Form 10-Q, including in the sections thereof captioned "Risk Factors" and "Forward-Looking Information and Factors That May Affect Future Results", as well as in its subsequent reports on Form 8-K, all of which are filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission and available at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov) and [www.pfizer.com](http://www.pfizer.com).

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