

SOUTH CAROLINA BOARD OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL

Placement of Brivaracetam into Schedule V for Controlled Substances

Whereas, pursuant to S.C. Code Section 44-53-160(C), the S.C. Board of Health and Environmental Control (Board) shall designate a substance as a controlled substance by scheduling it in accordance with an order effecting federal scheduling as a controlled substance;

Whereas, on May 12, 2016, U.S. Department of Justice, Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), published its interim final rule scheduling the substance brivaracetam ((2S)-2-[(4R)-2-oxo-4-propylpyrrolidin-1-yl] butanamide) (also referred to as BRV; UCB-34714; Briviact), including its salts, into schedule V of the Controlled Substances Act (CSA), effective immediately; F.R. Volume 81, Number 92, pp. 29487-29492; <https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-05-12/pdf/2016-11245.pdf>

Whereas, brivaracetam is a new molecular entity, not yet marketed in the U.S. or any other countries, having central nervous system depressant properties, and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration have recently approved the use of brivaracetam in the treatment of epilepsy;

Whereas, according to its interim final rule, the DEA has concluded brivaracetam has a potential for abuse similar to other schedule V substances, a currently accepted medical use in the U.S., limited risk of psychological dependence and no apparent risk of physical dependence; therefore, brivaracetam should be placed in schedule V of the federal Controlled Substances Act effective May 12, 2016; and

Now, therefore, the Board of Health and Environmental Control adopts the federal scheduling of brivaracetam and amends Section 44-53-270 of the S.C. Code of Laws by adding and designating brivaracetam ((2S)-2-[(4R)-2-oxo-4-propylpyrrolidin-1-yl] butanamide) (also referred to as BRV; UCB-34714; Briviact) (including its salts) into Schedule V of the South Carolina Controlled Substances Act.



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Columbia, South Carolina

Allen Amsler, Chairman
S.C. Board of Health and Environmental Control