Product News

Keytruda

Merck & Co, Inc, announces US Food and Drug Administration approval of Keytruda (pembrolizumab) for the treatment of patients with unresectable or metastatic melanoma and disease progression following ipilimumab and, if BRAF V600–mutation positive, a BRAF inhibitor. Keytruda is the first anti–PD-1 (programmed death receptor-1) therapy in the United States and is approved as a breakthrough therapy based on tumor response rate and durability of response. It works by increasing the ability of the body's immune system to fight advanced melanoma. It blocks the interaction between PD-1 and its ligands (PD-L1 and PD-L2) and may affect both tumor cells and healthy cells. For more information, visit www.keytruda.com.

Otezla

Celgene Corporation obtains US Food and Drug Administration approval for Otezla (apremilast), an oral, selective inhibitor of phosphodiesterase 4 for the treatment of adult patients with moderate to severe plaque psoriasis who are candidates for phototherapy or systemic therapy. Otezla is associated with an increase in adverse reactions of depression. Patients, their caregivers, and families should be advised of the need to be alert for the emergence or worsening of depression, suicidal thoughts, or other mood changes. Otezla also is approved for patients with active psoriatic arthritis. For more information, visit www.otezla.com.

Papaya Enzyme Cleanser

Revision Skincare introduces the Papaya Enzyme Cleanser, an energizing facial wash formulated with a unique extract derived from papayas to nourish skin with a multitude of vitamins and minerals. The Papaya Enzyme Cleanser, available exclusively through physicians, helps patients achieve naturally vibrant skin. For more information, visit www.revisionskincare.com.

Pigmentclar

La Roche-Posay Laboratoire Dermatologique launches Pigmentclar Intensive Dark Spot Correcting Serum and Pigmentclar SPF 30 Daily Dark Spot Correcting Moisturizer to target multiple stages of dark spot development, leaving patients with a brighter, more even skin tone. The products are formulated to correct dark spots that are underlying, visible, or recurrent. Phe-resorcinol helps reduce excess melanin at the early stages of production, lipohydroxy acid enables cell-by-cell exfoliation, and niacinamide reduces melanin transfer from one cell to another. Both products can be purchased over-the-counter at select retailers, physicians' offices, and online. For more information, visit www.laroche-posay.us.

Regenacyn

Oculus Innovative Sciences, Inc, introduces Regenacyn Advanced Scar Management Hydrogel to improve the texture, color, softness, and overall appearance of scars. Formulated with Microcyn technology, Regenacyn is intended for the management of old and new hypertrophic and keloid scars of various sizes, shapes, and locations resulting from burns, general surgical procedures, and trauma wounds. Regenacyn is physician dispensed by plastic surgeons and obstetricians/gynecologists. For more information, visit www.oculusis.com/regenacyn-hydrogel.

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