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Bellafill

Suneva Medical, Inc, recognized the treatment of acne scars was an unmet need, which led to research supporting a new indication for the dermal filler Bellafill for the treatment of moderate to severe, atrophic, distensible facial acne scars on the cheek in patients older than 21 years. Bellafill is a smooth, collagen-based dermal filler with polymethylmethacrylate (PMMA) microspheres. The collagen gel provides immediate volume and lift to correct the scar, and the PMMA microspheres remain in place and provide structural support for smoother-looking skin. Bellafill is not indicated for ice-pick scars. Although Bellafill can be used in all skin types, the patient's acne cannot be active. Results have been observed to last 12 months. Patients may continue with ongoing topical treatments but should discontinue any topical treatment the night after injection. For more information, visit www.bellafill.com.

Cutanea Life Sciences

Cutanea Life Sciences renews its commitment to focusing on the unmet needs of patients to develop innovative technologies and therapeutic applications. In 2012, Maruho Co, Ltd, acquired Cutanea Life Sciences, solidifying the financial resources needed to create market-leading products to treat diseases and disorders of the skin and subcutaneous tissue. Cutaneous Life Sciences corporate headquarters are located in Wayne, Pennsylvania. Robert J. Bitterman Sr has served as president and chief executive officer since 2005, following executive leadership roles for other dermatology companies. For more information, visit www.cutanealife.com.

Humira

AbbVie Inc receives US Food and Drug Administration approval of Humira (adalimumab) for the treatment of moderate to severe hidradenitis suppurativa (HS), offering patients with HS a much-needed treatment for this chronic debilitating disease. The HS indication follows approvals for rheumatoid arthritis, plaque psoriasis, Crohn disease, ulcerative colitis, psoriatic arthritis, and ankylosing spondylitis. For more information, visit www.humira.com.

Teflaro

Actavis, Inc, announces US Food and Drug Administration approval of the supplemental new drug application to update the label for Teflaro (ceftaroline fosamil) for the treatment of adult patients with acute bacterial skin and skin structure infections (ABSSSI) and community-acquired bacterial pneumonia (CABP). With this updated label, Teflaro also is now approved to be administered by intravenous infusion over 5 minutes to 1 hour in adult patients 18 years and older, providing increased flexibility in dosing. Teflaro was first approved in 2010 for the treatment of adults with CABP and ABSSSI due to designated susceptible pathogens. For more information, visit www.teflaro.com.

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