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**SUMMARY REVIEW**

## Division Director Summary Review for Regulatory Action

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<b>Proprietary Name / Non-Proprietary Name</b>	Austedo/ Deutetrabenazine (deutetrabenazine)
<b>Dosage Form(s) / Strength(s)</b>	Oral tablets / 6 mg, 9 mg, and 12 mg
<b>Applicant Proposed Indication(s)/Population(s)</b>	Treatment of chorea in patients with Huntington's disease.
<b>Recommended Action</b>	Approval
<b>Recommended Indication/Population(s)</b>	Treatment of chorea in patients with Huntington's disease.

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DMEPA=Division of Medication Error Prevention and Analysis  
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## 1. Benefit-Risk Assessment

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### Benefit-Risk Summary and Assessment

The 505(b)(2) application under review is for deutetrabenazine (Austedo), a deuterated form of tetrabenazine, proposed for the treatment of chorea associated with Huntington's disease. The applicant proposes using tetrabenazine, which is approved for the same indication, as reference drug. This application relies on the tetrabenazine NDA for some pharmacology/toxicology studies that were not conducted by the applicant, including a fertility and early embryonic development study, an embryofetal developmental study, a pre- and post-natal development study, and carcinogenicity assessment.

Both deutetrabenazine and tetrabenazine are vesicular monoamine transporter 2 (VMAT2) inhibitors. The mechanism of action of deutetrabenazine and tetrabenazine on chorea is believed to be related to their effect as reversible depletors of monoamines (e.g., dopamine, serotonin, norepinephrine, and histamine) from nerve terminals.

The efficacy of deutetrabenazine was established in a 12-week placebo-controlled study that used a well-accepted measure of chorea, the total maximal chorea (TMC) score. The change from baseline in TMC score was significantly higher (drug-placebo difference of 2.5 points, on a 24-point scale) for deutetrabenazine than for placebo ( $p < 0.0001$ ). The meaningfulness of the TMS results was supported by statistically significant effects on the Patient Global Impression of Change and the Clinical Global Impression of Change.

The safety profile of deutetrabenazine is acceptable. There were no unique toxicities identified for deutetrabenazine, as compared with tetrabenazine. A close examination of the deutetrabenazine safety database was conducted for the safety issues known for tetrabenazine. These issues include sedation and somnolence, akathisia, depression, and suicidality. Notwithstanding the usual limitations of cross-study comparisons, the frequency of these events appears no higher for deutetrabenazine than for tetrabenazine. Absent a head to head comparative study, it is not possible to make any definitive conclusions about the comparative safety profile between tetrabenazine and deutetrabenazine, but there are no new safety concerns identified. A QT prolongation signal is known and labeled for tetrabenazine. The TQT study conducted by the applicant did not use sufficiently high concentrations of deutetrabenazine to rule out QT prolongation at supratherapeutic or therapeutic concentrations. As for tetrabenazine, this can be addressed by labeling.

Tetrabenazine is already marketed for the same indication as that proposed for deutetrabenazine, and deutetrabenazine does offer as only clear advantage over tetrabenazine that, at high end of the dosing range, tetrabenazine must be taken two to three times a day, while deutetrabenazine may be taken just twice a day.

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