This vaccine is subject to additional monitoring **in Australia**. This will allow quick identification of new safety information. Healthcare professionals are asked to report any suspected adverse events at [www.tga.gov.au/reporting-problems](http://www.tga.gov.au/reporting-problems).

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AUSTRALIAN PRODUCT INFORMATION – COMIRNATY® (tozinameran) COVID-19 VACCINE [Tris/Sucrose Presentation]

1. NAME OF THE MEDICINE

Tozinameran

2. QUALITATIVE AND QUANTITATIVE COMPOSITION

Tozinameran is a single-stranded, 5’-capped messenger RNA (mRNA) produced using a cell-free *in vitro* transcription from the corresponding DNA templates, encoding the viral spike (S) protein of severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2).

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|  | **COMIRNATY** | |
| **Ready To Use Multidose (For Age 12 Years and Above, Do Not Dilute)** | **Dilute To Use Multidose (For Age 5 to <12 Years)** |
| **AUST R** | **377110** | **377111** |
| **Age** | 12 years of age and older | 5 to <12 years of age |
| **Cap colour** | Grey | Orange |
| **Label colour code** | Grey | Orange |
| **Pharmaceutical form** | Suspension for injection | Concentrate for suspension  for injection |
| **Strength** | 30 micrograms/0.3 mL dose | 10 micrograms/0.2 mL dose |
| **Fill volume** | 2.25 mL | 1.3 mL |
| **No. of doses** | 6 | 10 |
| **Dilution** | Do not dilute | Requires dilution |
| **Presentation** | Tris/Sucrose | Tris/Sucrose |

COMIRNATY Ready To Use Multidose (For Age 12 Years and Above, Do Not Dilute): This is a multidose vial with a grey cap. One vial (2.25 mL) contains 6 doses of 0.3 mL (see Section 4.2 Dose and method of administration). One dose (0.3 mL) contains 30 micrograms of COVID-mRNA Vaccine (embedded in lipid nanoparticles).

COMIRNATY Dilute To Use Multidose (For Age 5 to <12 Years): This is a multidose vial with an orange cap. It must be diluted before use. One vial (1.3 mL) contains 10 doses of 0.2 mL after dilution (see Section 4.2 Dose and method of administration). One dose (0.2 mL) contains 10 micrograms of COVID-mRNA Vaccine (embedded in lipid nanoparticles).For the full list of excipients, see Section 6.1 List of excipients.

3. PHARMACEUTICAL FORM

COMIRNATY Ready To Use Multidose (For Age 12 Years and Above, Do Not Dilute): Suspension for injection

COMIRNATY Dilute To Use Multidose (For Age 5 to <12 Years): Concentrate for suspension for injection (sterile concentrate).

COMIRNATY is a white to off-white frozen suspension.

4. CLINICAL PARTICULARS

4.1 Therapeutic indications

COMIRNATY (tozinameran) COVID-19 Vaccine has **provisional approval** for the indication below:

Active immunisation to prevent coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) caused by SARS-CoV-2, in individuals 5 years of age and older.

The use of this vaccine should be in accordance with official recommendations.

The decision has been made on the basis of short term efficacy and safety data. Continued approval depends on the evidence of longer term efficacy and safety from ongoing clinical trials and post-market assessment.

4.2 Dose and method of administration

Dosage

Individuals 12 years of age and older

COMIRNATY Ready To Use Multidose (For Age 12 Years and Above, Do Not Dilute) is administered intramuscularly as a primary course of 2 doses (30 micrograms/0.3 mL) at least 21 days apart.

Booster dose in individuals 12 years of age and older

A booster dose of COMIRNATY Ready To Use Multidose (For Age 12 Years and Above, Do Not Dilute) may be administered intramuscularly at least 6 months after the completion of a COVID-19 vaccine primary series in individuals 12 years of age and older.

The decision when and for whom to implement a booster dose of COMIRNATY Ready To Use Multidose (For Age 12 Years and Above, Do Not Dilute) should be made based on available vaccine safety and effectiveness data (see Sections 4.4 Special warnings and precautions for use and 5.1 Pharmacodynamic properties), in accordance with official recommendations.

Individuals 5 to <12 years of age

COMIRNATY Dilute To Use Multidose (For Age 5 to <12 Years) is administered intramuscularly as a primary course of 2 doses (10 micrograms/0.2 mL each) at least 21 days apart.

Booster dose in individuals 5 to <12 years of age

A booster dose of COMIRNATY Dilute To Use Multidose (For Age 5 to <12 Years) may be administered intramuscularly at least 6 months after the second dose in individuals 5 to <12 years of age.

Interchangeability

Doses of COMIRNATY (tozinameran) COVID-19 VACCINE [Tris/Sucrose Presentation] (30 micrograms/dose) and COMIRNATY (tozinameran) COVID-19 VACCINE [PBS/Sucrose Presentation] (30 micrograms/dose) are considered interchangeable.

There are limited data on the interchangeability of COMIRNATY with other COVID-19 vaccines to complete the primary vaccination course or the booster dose. Individuals who have received 1 dose of COMIRNATY should preferably receive a second dose of COMIRNATY to complete the primary vaccination course and for any additional doses.

Severely immunocompromised aged 12 years and older

In accordance with official recommendations, a third dose may be given, as part of the primary series, at least 28 days after the second dose to individuals who are severely immunocompromised (see Section 4.4 Special warnings and precautions for use).

Elderly population

No dosage adjustment is required in elderly individuals ≥65 years of age.

Method of administration

COMIRNATY should be administered intramuscularly. The preferred site of administration is the deltoid muscle of the upper arm.

Do not inject COMIRNATY intravascularly, subcutaneously or intradermally.

COMIRNATY should not be mixed in the same syringe with any other vaccines or medicinal products.

For precautions to be taken before administering COMIRNATY, see Section 4.4 Special warnings and precautions for use.

COMIRNATY Ready To Use Multidose (For Age 12 Years and Above, Do Not Dilute) for individuals 12 years of age and older

Vials of COMIRNATY Ready To Use Multidose (For Age 12 Years and Above, Do Not Dilute) have a grey cap, contain six doses of 0.3 mL of vaccine and **do not** **require dilution**. In order to extract six doses from a single vial, low dead-volume syringes and/or needles should be used. The low dead-volume syringe and needle combination should have a dead volume of no more than 35 microlitres. If standard syringes and needles are used, there may not be sufficient volume to extract a sixth dose from a single vial. Irrespective of the type of syringe and needle:

* Each dose must contain 0.3 mL of vaccine.
* If the amount of vaccine remaining in the vial cannot provide a full dose of 0.3 mL, discard the vial and any excess volume.
* Do not pool excess vaccine from multiple vials.

For instructions on the handling, thawing and dose preparation of the vaccine before administration see Handling instructions.

Handling instructions

COMIRNATY Ready To Use Multidose (For Age 12 Years and Above, Do Not Dilute) for individuals 12 years of age and older should be prepared by a healthcare professional using aseptic technique to ensure the sterility of the prepared suspension.

| **COMIRNATY Ready To Use Multidose  (For Age 12 Years and Above,** **Do Not Dilute)** | |
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| **Dose Verification** | |
| **30 micrograms**  **Grey cap** | * Verify that the vial has a grey plastic cap: * If the vial has a purple plastic cap, refer to the Product Information handling instructions for COMIRNATY 30 micrograms/0.3 mL concentrated suspension for injection vial (AUST R 346290). * If the vial has an orange plastic cap, refer to the handling instructions for COMIRNATY Dilute To Use Multidose (For Age 5 to <12 Years). |

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| **COMIRNATY Ready To Use Multidose  (For Age 12 Years and Above,** **Do Not Dilute)** | |
| **Handling Prior To Use** | |
| **Store for up to 10 weeks at 2 °C to 8 °C** | * If the multidose vial is stored frozen it must be thawed prior to use. Frozen vials should be transferred to an environment of 2°C to 8°C to thaw; a 10 vial pack may take 6 hours to thaw. Ensure vials are completely thawed prior to use. * Update the expiry date on the carton. * Unopened vials can be stored for up to 10 weeks at 2°C to 8°C. * Alternatively, individual frozen vials may be thawed for 30 minutes at temperatures up to 30°C for immediate use. |
| **Gently × 10** | * Gently mix by inverting vial 10 times prior to use. Do not shake. * Prior to mixing, the thawed suspension may contain white to off-white opaque amorphous particles. * After mixing, the vaccine should present as a white to off-white suspension with no particulates visible. Do not use the vaccine if particulates or discoloration are present. |

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| **COMIRNATY Ready To Use Multidose  (For Age 12 Years and Above,** **Do Not Dilute)** | |
| **Preparation of Individual 0.3 mL Doses of COMIRNATY Ready To Use Multidose (For Age 12 Years and Above, Do Not Dilute)** | |
| **0.3 mL vaccine** | Using aseptic technique, cleanse the vial stopper with a single-use antiseptic swab.   * Withdraw 0.3 mL of COMIRNATY.   Low dead-volume syringes and/or needles should be used in order to extract 6 doses from a single vial. The low dead‑volume syringe and needle combination should have a dead volume of no more than 35 microlitres.  If standard syringes and needles are used, there may not be sufficient volume to extract a sixth dose from a single vial.   * Each dose must contain 0.3 mL of vaccine. * Discard syringe and needle after administration to a single patient. * Use a new, sterile needle and syringe to draw up each new dose. * If the amount of vaccine remaining in the vial cannot provide a full dose of 0.3 mL, discard the vial and any excess volume. * Discard any unused vaccine 12 hours after first puncture. Record the appropriate date/time on the vial. |

COMIRNATY Dilute To Use Multidose (For Age 5 to <12 Years) for children 5 to <12 years of age

Vials of COMIRNATY Dilute To Use Multidose (For Age 5 to <12 Years) have an orange cap and after **dilution** contain ten doses of 0.2 mL of vaccine. In order to extract ten doses from a single vial, low dead-volume syringes and/or needles should be used. The low dead-volume syringe and needle combination should have a dead volume of no more than 35 microlitres. If standard syringes and needles are used, there may not be sufficient volume to extract a tenth dose from a single vial. Irrespective of the type of syringe and needle:

* Each dose must contain 0.2 mL of vaccine.
* If the amount of vaccine remaining in the vial cannot provide a full dose of 0.2 mL, discard the vial and any excess volume.
* Do not pool excess vaccine from multiple vials.

For instructions on the handling, dilution and dose preparation of the vaccine before administration see Handling instructions.

Handling instructions

COMIRNATY Dilute To Use Multidose (For Age 5 to <12 Years) should be prepared by a healthcare professional using aseptic technique to ensure the sterility of the prepared diluted suspension.

| **COMIRNATY Dilute To Use Multidose (For Age 5 to <12 Years)** | |
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| **Dose Verification** | |
| **Orange cap**  **10 micrograms** | * Verify that the vial has an orange plastic cap: * If the vial has a purple plastic cap, refer to the Product Information handling instructions for COMIRNATY 30 micrograms/0.3 mL concentrated suspection for injection vial (AUST R 346290). * If the vial has a grey plastic cap, refer to the handling instructions for COMIRNATY Ready to Use Multidose (For Age 12 Years and Above, Do Not Dilute). |

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| **COMIRNATY Dilute To Use Multidose (For Age 5 to <12 Years)** | |
| **Handling Prior To Use** | |
| **Store for up to 10 weeks at 2 °C to 8 °C** | * If the multidose vial is stored frozen it must be thawed prior to use. Frozen vials should be transferred to an environment of 2°C to 8°C to thaw; a 10 vial pack may take 4 hours to thaw. Ensure vials are completely thawed prior to use. * Unopened vials can be stored for up to 10 weeks at 2°C to 8°C. * Alternatively, individual frozen vials may be thawed for 30 minutes at temperatures up to 30°C for immediate use. |
| **Mixing Prior To Dilution** | |
| **Gently × 10** | * Allow the thawed vial to come to room temperature and gently invert it 10 times prior to dilution. Do not shake. * Prior to dilution, the thawed dispersion may contain white to off-white opaque amorphous particles. |

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| **COMIRNATY Dilute To Use Multidose (For Age 5 to <12 Years)** | |
| **Dilution** | |
| **1.3 mL of 0.9% sodium chloride injection** | * The thawed vaccine must be diluted in its original vial with 1.3 mL sodium chloride 9 mg/mL (0.9%) solution for injection, using a 21 gauge or narrower needle and aseptic techniques. |
| **Pull back plunger to 1.3 mL to remove air from vial.** | * Equalise vial pressure before removing the needle from the vial stopper by withdrawing 1.3 mL air into the empty diluent syringe. |

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| **COMIRNATY Dilute To Use Multidose (For Age 5 to <12 Years)** | |
| **Dilution (continued)** | |
| **Gently × 10** | * Gently invert the diluted suspension 10 times. Do not shake. * The diluted vaccine should present as a white to off-white suspension with no particulates visible. Do not use the diluted vaccine if particulates or discoloration are present. |
| **Record appropriate date and time.**  **Use within 12 hours after dilution.** | * The diluted vials should be marked with the appropriate date and time. * After dilution, store at 2°C to 30°C and use within 12 hours. * Do not freeze or shake the diluted dispersion. If refrigerated, allow the diluted suspension to come to room temperature prior to use. |

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| **COMIRNATY Dilute To Use Multidose (For Age 5 to <12 Years)** | |
| **Preparation of Individual 0.2 mL Doses of COMIRNATY** | |
| **0.2 mL diluted vaccine** | * Using aseptic technique, cleanse the vial stopper with a single‑use antiseptic swab. * Withdraw 0.2 mL of COMIRNATY (For Age 5 to <12 Years).   Low dead‑volume syringes and/or needles should be used in order to extract 10 doses from a single vial. The low dead‑volume syringe and needle combination should have a dead volume of no more than 35 microlitres.  If standard syringes and needles are used, there may not be sufficient volume to extract ten doses from a single vial.   * Each dose must contain 0.2 mL of vaccine. * Discard syringe and needle after administration to a single patient. * Use a new, sterile needle and syringe to draw up each new dose. * If the amount of vaccine remaining in the vial cannot provide a full dose of 0.2 mL, discard the vial and any excess volume. * Discard any unused vaccine within 12 hours after dilution. |

4.3 Contraindications

Hypersensitivity to the active substance or to any of the excipients listed in Section 6.1 List of excipients.

4.4 Special warnings and precautions for use

Traceability

In order to improve the traceability of biological medicinal products, the name and the batch number of the administered product should be recorded in the Australian Immunisation Register.

General recommendations

Hypersensitivity and anaphylaxis

Events of anaphylaxis have been reported. Appropriate medical treatment and supervision should always be readily available in case of an anaphylactic reaction following the administration of COMIRNATY.

The individual should be kept under close observation for at least 15 minutes following vaccination. A second dose of COMIRNATY should not be given to those who have experienced anaphylaxis to the first dose of COMIRNATY.

Myocarditis and pericarditis

Very rare cases of myocarditis and pericarditis have been observed following vaccination with COMIRNATY. Cases have occurred following first and second vaccinations and following booster doses. These cases have primarily occurred within 14 days following vaccination, more often after the second vaccination, and more often in younger males. Available data suggest that the course of myocarditis and pericarditis following vaccination is not different from myocarditis or pericarditis in general.

Healthcare professionals should be alert to the signs and symptoms of myocarditis and pericarditis. Vaccinees should be instructed to seek immediate medical attention if they develop symptoms indicative of myocarditis or pericarditis such as (acute and persisting) chest pain, shortness of breath, or palpitations following vaccination. Healthcare professionals should consult guidance and/or specialists to diagnose and treat this condition.

For further details, please refer to the relevant clinical guidelines developed by the Australian Technical Advisory Group on Immunisation.

Anxiety-related reactions

Anxiety-related reactions, including vasovagal reactions (syncope), hyperventilation or stress‑related reactions may occur in association with vaccination as a psychogenic response to the needle injection. It is important that precautions are in place to avoid injury from fainting.

Some individuals may have stress-related responses associated with the process of vaccination itself. Stress-related responses are temporary and resolve on their own. They may include dizziness, fainting, palpitations, increases in heart rate, alterations in blood pressure, feeling short of breath, tingling sensations, sweating and/or anxiety. Individuals should be advised to bring symptoms to the attention of the vaccination provider for evaluation and precautions should be in place to avoid injury from fainting.

Syncope

Syncope (fainting) may occur in association with administration of injectable vaccines. Procedures should be in place to avoid injury from fainting.

Concurrent illness

Vaccination should be postponed in individuals suffering from acute severe febrile illness or acute infection. The presence of a minor infection and/or low grade fever should not delay vaccination.

Thrombocytopenia and coagulation disorders

As with other intramuscular injections, COMIRNATY should be given with caution in individuals receiving anticoagulant therapy or those with thrombocytopenia or any coagulation disorder (such as haemophilia) because bleeding or bruising may occur following an intramuscular administration in these individuals.

Immunocompromised individuals

The efficacy, safety and immunogenicity of COMIRNATY has not been assessed in immunocompromised individuals, including those receiving immunosuppressant therapy. The efficacy of COMIRNATY may be lower in immunosuppressed individuals.

Duration of protection

The duration of protection afforded by COMIRNATY is unknown as it is still being determined by ongoing clinical trials and observational studies.

Limitations of vaccine effectiveness

As with any vaccine, vaccination with COMIRNATY may not protect all vaccine recipients. Individuals may not be fully protected until 7 days after their second dose of COMIRNATY.

Use in the elderly

Clinical studies of COMIRNATY include participants 65 years of age and older and their data contributes to the overall assessment of safety and efficacy. See Section 5.1 Pharmacodynamic properties, Clinical trials, Efficacy against COVID-19. No dosage adjustment is required in elderly individuals ≥65 years of age.

The data for use in the frail elderly (>85 years) is limited. The potential benefits of vaccination versus the potential risk and clinical impact of even relatively mild systemic adverse events in the frail elderly should be carefully assessed on a case-by-case basis.

The safety of a booster dose of COMIRNATY in individuals 65 years of age and older is based on safety and immunogenicity data in adults 18 to 55 years of age.

Paediatric use

The safety and efficacy of COMIRNATY in children aged less than 5 years of age have not yet been established.

Limited safety and effectiveness data is available for booster dose in adolescents 12 to 15 years of age and no immunogenicity data is available for booster dose in this age group. The safety and effectiveness of a booster dose of COMIRNATY in individuals 12 to 17 years of age is based on safety and effectiveness data in adults at least 18 to 55 years of age.

Real world evidence from the Ministry of Health of Israel and surveillance by CDC in USA on the administration of third doses of Comirnaty given after the primary course revealed no new safety concerns in adolescents 12 to 17 years of age.

Very rare cases of myocarditis and pericarditis have been observed following vaccination with COMIRNATY in adolescents (see Section 4.4 Special warnings and precautions for use, Myocarditis and pericarditis).

Effects on laboratory tests

No data available.

4.5 Interactions with other medicines and other forms of interactions

No interaction studies have been performed.

Concomitant administration of COMIRNATY with other vaccines has not been studied.

4.6 Fertility, pregnancy and lactation

Effects on fertility

In a combined fertility and developmental toxicity study, female rats were intramuscularly administered COMIRNATY prior to mating and during gestation (4 full human doses of 30 μg each, spanning between pre-mating day 21 and gestation day 20). SARS CoV-2 neutralising antibodies were present in maternal animals from prior to mating to the end of the study on postnatal day 21 as well as in fetuses and offspring. There were no vaccine related effects on female fertility and pregnancy rate.

Use in pregnancy - Pregnancy Category B1

There is limited experience with use of COMIRNATY in pregnant women. Animal studies do not indicate direct or indirect harmful effects with respect to pregnancy, embryo/fetal development, parturition or post-natal development (see Section 4.6 Fertility, pregnancy and lactation, Effects on fertility). Administration of COMIRNATY in pregnancy should only be considered when the potential benefits outweigh any potential risks for the mother and fetus.

Use in lactation

It is unknown whether tozinameran is excreted in human milk. A combined fertility and developmental toxicity study in rats did not show harmful effects on offspring development before weaning (see Section 4.6 Fertility, pregnancy and lactation, Effects on fertility).

4.7 Effects on ability to drive and use machines

COMIRNATY has no, or negligible, influence on the ability to drive and use machines. However, some of the effects mentioned under Section 4.8 Adverse effects (undesirable effects) may temporarily affect the ability to drive or use machines.

4.8 Adverse effects (undesirable effects)

Summary of safety profile

The safety of COMIRNATY was evaluated in participants 5 years of age and older in 3 clinical studies that included 24,675 participants (comprised of 22,026 participants 16 years of age and older, 1,131 adolescents 12 to 15 years of age and 1,518 children 5 to <12 years of age) that have received at least one dose of COMIRNATY.

Additionally, 306 existing Phase 3 participants 18 to 55 years of age received a booster dose of COMIRNATY approximately 6 months after the second dose in the non-placebo-controlled booster dose portion of Study C4591001. The overall safety profile for the booster dose was similar to that seen after 2 doses.

In a subset of C4591007 Phase 2/3 participants, 401 participants 5 to <12 years of age received a booster dose of COMIRNATY after completing the primary series. 399 of 401 participants in the safety population received the booster dose at 7 - < 9 months after Dose 2 (n = 51 [12.7%] at 7 - < 8 months and n = 348 [86.8%] at 8 - < 9 months). The overall safety profile for the booster dose was similar to that seen after the primary series.

Participants 16 years of age and older – after 2 doses

In Study C4591001, a total of 22,026 participants 16 years of age or older received at least 1 dose of COMIRNATY 30 micrograms and a total of 22,021 participants 16 years of age or older received placebo (including 138 and 145 adolescents 16 and 17 years of age in the COMIRNATY and placebo groups, respectively). A total of 20,519 participants 16 years of age or older received 2 doses of COMIRNATY.

At the time of the analysis of Study C4591001 with a data cut-off of 13 March 2021 for the placebo-controlled blinded follow-up period up to the participants’ unblinding dates, a total of 25,651 (58.2%) participants (13,031 COMIRNATY and 12,620 placebo) 16 years of age and older were followed up for ≥4 months after the second dose. This included a total of 15,111 (7,704 COMIRNATY and 7,407 placebo) participants 16 to 55 years of age and a total of 10,540 (5,327 COMIRNATY and 5,213 placebo) participants 56 years and older.

The most frequent adverse reactions in participants 16 years of age and older that received 2 doses were injection site pain (>80%), fatigue (>60%), headache (>50%), myalgia (>40%), chills (>30%), arthralgia (>20%), pyrexia and injection site swelling (>10%) and were usually mild or moderate in intensity and resolved within a few days after vaccination. A slightly lower frequency of reactogenicity events was associated with greater age.

The safety profile in 545 subjects receiving COMIRNATY, that were seropositive for SARS‑CoV-2 at baseline, was similar to that seen in the general population.

Study C4591001 also included 200 participants with confirmed stable human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) infection. The safety profile of the participants receiving COMIRNATY (n=100) in the individuals with stable HIV infection was similar to that seen in the general population.

Adolescents 12 to 15 years of age – after 2 doses

In an analysis of long term safety follow-up in Study C4591001, 2,260 adolescents (1,131 COMIRNATY 30 micrograms; 1,129 placebo) were 12 to 15 years of age. Of these, 1,559 adolescents (786 COMIRNATY and 773 placebo) have been followed for ≥ 4 months after the second dose of COMIRNATY. The safety evaluation in Study C4591001 is ongoing.

The most frequent adverse reactions in adolescents 12 to 15 years of age that received 2 doses were injection site pain (>90%), fatigue and headache (>70%), myalgia and chills (>40%), arthralgia and pyrexia (>20%).

Children 5 to <12 years of age – after 2 doses

In an analysis of Study C4591007 Phase 2/3, 2,268 children (1,518 COMIRNATY 10 micrograms; 750 placebo) were 5 to <12 years of age. Of these, 2,158 (95.1%) (1,444 COMIRNATY 10 micrograms and 714 placebo) children have been followed for at least 2 months after the second dose. The safety evaluation in Study C4591007 is ongoing.

The most frequent adverse reactions in children 5 to <12 years of age that received 2 doses included injection site pain (>80%), fatigue (>50%), headache (>30%), injection site redness and swelling (>20%), myalgia and chills (>10%).

Participants 18 years of age and older – after booster dose

A subset from Study C4591001 Phase 2/3 participants of 306 adults 18 to 55 years of age who completed the original COMIRNATY 2-dose course, received a booster dose of COMIRNATY approximately 6 months (range of 4.8 to 8.0 months) after receiving Dose 2.

The most frequent adverse reactions in participants 18 to 55 years of age were injection site pain (>80%), fatigue (>60%), headache (>40%), myalgia (>30%), chills and arthralgia (>20%).

Children 5 to <12 years of age – after booster dose

In a subset from C4591007, a total of 401 children 5 to <12 years of age received a booster dose of COMIRNATY 10 micrograms after completing the primary series. 399 of 401 participants in the safety population received the booster dose at 7 - < 9 months after Dose 2 (n = 51 [12.7%] at 7 - < 8 months and n = 348 [86.8%] at 8 - < 9 months). The analysis of the C4591007 Phase 2/3 subset is based on data up to the cut-off date of 22 March 2022 (median follow-up time of 1.3 months).

The most frequent adverse reactions in participants 5 to <12 years of age were injection site pain (>70%), fatigue (>40%), headache (>30%), myalgia, chills, injection site redness, and swelling (>10%). A higher frequency of lymphadenopathy was observed in C4591007 in participants receiving a booster dose compared to participants receiving 2 doses (2.5% vs. 0.9%).

Tabulated list of adverse reactions from clinical studies

Adverse reactions observed during clinical studies are listed below according to the following frequency categories:

Very common (≥1/10),

Common (≥1/100 to <1/10),

Uncommon (≥1/1,000 to <1/100),

Rare (≥1/10,000 to <1/1,000),

Very rare (<1/10,000),

Not known (cannot be estimated from the available data).

Table 1: Adverse reactions from COMIRNATY clinical trials: Individuals 12 years of age and older

| **System Organ Class** | **Very common**  **(≥1/10)** | **Common**  **(≥1/100 to <1/10)** | **Uncommon**  **(≥1/1,000 to <1/100)** | **Rare**  **(≥1/10,000 to <1/1,000)** | **Not known (cannot be estimated from the available data)** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Blood and lymphatic system disorders |  |  | Lymphadenopathya |  |  |
| Psychiatric disorders |  |  | Insomnia |  |  |
| Metabolism and nutrition disorders |  |  | Decreased appetite |  |  |
| Nervous system disorders | Headache |  | Lethargy | Acute peripheral facial paralysisb |  |
| Gastrointestinal disorders |  | Nausea |  |  |  |
| Skin and subcutaneous disorders |  |  | Hyperhidrosis  Night sweats |  |  |
| Musculoskeletal and connective tissue disorders | Arthralgia; Myalgia |  |  |  |  |
| General disorders and administration site conditions | Injection site pain; Fatigue; Chills; Pyrexiac; Injection site swelling | Injection site redness | Asthenia  Malaise |  | Facial swellingd |

a A higher frequency of lymphadenopathy (5.2% vs 0.4%) was observed in participants receiving a booster dose compared to participants receiving 2 doses.

b Through the clinical trial safety follow-up period to 14 November 2020, acute peripheral facial paralysis (or palsy) was reported by four participants in the COMIRNATY group. Onset was Day 37 after Dose 1 (participant did not receive Dose 2) and Days 3, 9, and 48 after Dose 2. No cases of acute peripheral facial paralysis (or palsy) were reported in the placebo group.

c A higher frequency of pyrexia was observed after the second dose.

d Facial swelling in vaccine recipients with a history of injection of dermatological fillers

The safety profile in 545 subjects receiving COMIRNATY, that were seropositive for SARS-CoV-2 at baseline, was similar to that seen in the general population.

| Table 2. Adverse Reactions from COMIRNATY clinical trial: Individuals 5 to <12 Years of Age (06 September 2021 Data Cut-off Date) | | | | | | |
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| System Organ Class | **Very Common**  **≥1/10 (≥10%)** | **Common**  **≥1/100 to <1/10**  **(≥1% to <10%)** | **Uncommon**  **≥1/1,000 to**  **<1/100**  **(≥0.1% to <1%)** | **Rare**  **≥1/10,000 to**  **<1/1,000**  **(≥0.01% to <0.1%)** | **Very Rare**  **<1/10,000 (<0.01%)** | **Not known (cannot be estimated from the available data)** |
| Blood and lymphatic system disorders |  |  | Lymphadenopathya |  |  |  |
| Immune system disorders |  |  | Urticariab,c;  Pruritusb,c;  Rashb,c |  |  | Anaphylaxisb |
| Metabolism and nutrition disorders |  |  | Decreased appetite |  |  |  |
| Nervous system disorders | Headache |  |  |  |  |  |
| Gastrointestinal disorders |  | Diarrhoea;b Vomitingb | Nausea |  |  |  |
| Musculoskeletal and connective tissue disorders | Myalgia | Arthralgia | Pain in extremity (arm)b |  |  |  |
| General disorders and administration site conditions | Injection site pain;  Fatigue;  Chills;  Injection site swelling;  Injection site redness | Pyrexia | Malaise |  |  |  |
| a. A higher frequency of lymphadenopathy was observed in C4591007 (2.5% vs. 0.9%) in participants receiving a booster dose compared to participants receiving 2 doses.  b. These adverse reactions were identified in the post-authorisation period. The following events were not reported in participants 5 to <12 Years of Age in Study C4591007 but were reported in individuals ≥16 years of age in Study C4591001: angioedema, lethargy, asthenia, hyperhidrosis, and night sweats.  c. The following events are categorised as hypersensitivity reactions: urticaria, pruritus, and rash | | | | | | |

Post-marketing experience

Although the events listed in Table 3 were not observed in the clinical trials, they are considered adverse drug reactions for COMIRNATY as they were reported in the post-marketing experience. As these reactions were derived from spontaneous reports, the frequencies could not be determined and are thus considered as not known.

Table 3: Adverse reactions from COMIRNATY post marketing experience

| **System Organ Class** | **Adverse Drug Reaction** |
| --- | --- |
| Immune system disorders | Anaphylaxis  Hypersensitivity reactions (e.g. rash, pruritis, urticaria, angioedema, erythema multiforme) |
| Cardiac disorders | Myocarditis  Pericarditis |
| Gastrointestinal disorders | Diarrhoea  Vomiting |
| Musculoskeletal and connective tissue disorders | Pain in extremity (arm) |
| General disorders and administration site conditions | Extensive swelling of vaccinated limb |
| Nervous system disorders | Paraesthesia  Hypoaesthesia |

Reporting suspected adverse effects

Reporting suspected adverse reactions after registration of the medicinal product is important. It allows continued monitoring of the benefit-risk balance of the medicinal product. Healthcare professionals are asked to report any suspected adverse reactions at [www.tga.gov.au/reporting-problems](http://www.tga.gov.au/reporting-problems).

4.9 Overdose

Overdose data is available from 52 study participants included in the clinical trial that due to an error in dilution received 58 micrograms of COMIRNATY. The COMIRNATY recipients did not report an increase in reactogenicity or adverse reactions.

In the event of overdose, monitoring of vital functions and possible symptomatic treatment is recommended.

For information on the management of overdose, contact the Poisons Information Centre on 131126 (Australia).

5. PHARMACOLOGICAL PROPERTIES

5.1 Pharmacodynamic properties

Pharmacotherapeutic group: vaccines, other viral vaccines, ATC code: J07BX03

Mechanism of action

The nucleoside-modified messenger RNA in COMIRNATY is formulated in lipid nanoparticles, which enable delivery of the non-replicating RNA into host cells to direct transient expression of the SARS-CoV-2 spike (S) antigen. The mRNA codes for membrane-anchored, full-length S with two point mutations within the central helix. Mutation of these two amino acids to proline locks S in an antigenically preferred prefusion conformation. COMIRNATY elicits both neutralising antibody and cellular immune responses to the antigen, which may contribute to protection against COVID-19.

Clinical trials

Efficacy

Study C4591001 is a multicentre, multinational, Phase 1/2/3 randomised, placebo-controlled, observer-blind dose-finding, vaccine candidate selection and efficacy study in participants 12 years of age and older. Randomisation was stratified by age: 12 to 15 years of age, 16 to 55 years of age, or 56 years of age and older, with a minimum of 40% of participants in the ≥56-year stratum. The study excluded participants who were immunocompromised and those who had previous clinical or microbiological diagnosis of COVID-19. Participants with pre-existing stable disease, defined as disease not requiring significant change in therapy or hospitalisation for worsening disease during the 6 weeks before enrolment, were included as were participants with known stable infection with HIV, hepatitis C virus (HCV) or hepatitis B virus (HBV).

Efficacy in participants 16 years of age and older – after 2 doses

In the Phase 2/3 portion of Study C4591001, based on data accrued through 14 November 2020, approximately 44,000 participants were randomised equally and were to receive 2 doses of COMIRNATY or placebo. The efficacy analyses included participants that received their second vaccination within 19 to 42 days after their first vaccination. The majority (93.1%) of vaccine recipients received the second dose 19 days to 23 days after Dose 1. Participants are planned to be followed for up to 24 months after Dose 2, for assessments of safety and efficacy against COVID-19. In the clinical study, participants were required to observe a minimum interval of 14 days before and after administration of an influenza vaccine in order to receive either placebo or COMIRNATY. In the clinical study, participants were required to observe a minimum interval of 60 days before or after receipt of blood/plasma products or immunoglobulins through to conclusion of the study in order to receive either placebo or COMIRNATY.

The population for the analysis of the primary efficacy endpoint included, 36,621 participants 12 years of age and older (18,242 in the COMIRNATY group and 18,379 in the placebo group) who did not have evidence of prior infection with SARS-CoV-2 through 7 days after the second dose. In addition, 134 participants were between the ages of 16 to 17 years of age (66 in the COMIRNATY group and 68 in the placebo group) and 1616 participants 75 years of age and older (804 in the COMIRNATY group and 812 in the placebo group).

At the time of the primary efficacy analysis, participants had been followed for symptomatic COVID-19 for in total 2,214 person-years for the COMIRNATY group and in total 2,222 person-years for the placebo group.

There were no meaningful clinical differences in overall vaccine efficacy in participants who were at risk of severe COVID-19 including those with 1 or more comorbidities that increase the risk of severe COVID-19 (e.g. asthma, body mass index (BMI) ≥30 kg/m2, chronic pulmonary disease, diabetes mellitus, hypertension).

COMIRNATY efficacy information is presented in Table 4.

Table 4: Vaccine efficacy – First COVID-19 occurrence from 7 days after Dose 2, by age subgroup – participants without evidence of infection prior to 7 days after Dose 2 – evaluable efficacy (7 days) population

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| **First COVID-19 occurrence from 7 days after Dose 2 in participants without evidence of prior SARS‑CoV-2 infection\*** | | | |
| **Subgroup** | **COMIRNATY**  **Na = 18,198**  **Cases**  n1b  Surveillancetimec (n2d) | **Placebo**  **Na = 18,325**  **Cases**  n1b  Surveillancetimec (n2d) | **Vaccine efficacy** % (95% CI)f |
| All participantse | 8  2.214 (17,411) | 162  2.222 (17,511) | 95.0  (90.0, 97.9) |
| 16 to 64 years | 7  1.706 (13,549) | 143  1.710 (13,618) | 95.1  (89.6, 98.1) |
| 65 years and older | 1  0.508 (3848) | 19  0.511 (3880) | 94.7  (66.7, 99.9) |
| 65 to 74 years | 1  0.406 (3074) | 14  0.406 (3095) | 92.9  (53.1, 99.8) |
| 75 years and older | 0  0.102 (774) | 5  0.106 (785) | 100.0  (-13.1, 100.0) |
| Note: Confirmed cases were determined by Reverse Transcription-Polymerase Chain Reaction (RT‑PCR) and at least 1 symptom consistent with COVID-19 [\*Case definition: (at least 1 of) fever, new or increased cough, new or increased shortness of breath, chills, new or increased muscle pain, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, diarrhoea or vomiting.]  \* Participants who had no serological or virological evidence (prior to 7 days after receipt of the last dose) of past SARS-CoV-2 infection (i.e., N-binding antibody [serum] negative at Visit 1 and SARS-CoV-2 not detected by nucleic acid amplification tests (NAAT) [nasal swab] at Visits 1 and 2), and had negative NAAT (nasal swab) at any unscheduled visit prior to 7 days after Dose 2 were included in the analysis.  a. N = number of participants in the specified group.  b. n1 = Number of participants meeting the endpoint definition.  c. Total surveillance time in 1000 person-years for the given endpoint across all participants within each group at risk for the endpoint. Time period for COVID-19 case accrual is from 7 days after Dose 2 to the end of the surveillance period.  d. n2 = Number of participants at risk for the endpoint.  e. No confirmed cases were identified in adolescents 12 to 15 years of age.  f. Two-sided confidence interval (CI) for vaccine efficacy (VE) is derived based on the Clopper and Pearson method adjusted to the surveillance time. CI not adjusted for multiplicity. | | | |

In the second primary analysis, efficacy of COMIRNATY in preventing first COVID-19 occurrence from 7 days after Dose 2 compared to placebo was 94.6% (95% credible interval of 89.9% to 97.3%) in participants 16 years of age and older with or without evidence of prior infection with SARS-CoV-2.

Additionally, subgroup analyses of the primary efficacy endpoint showed similar efficacy point estimates across genders, ethnic groups, and participants with medical comorbidities associated with high risk of severe COVID-19.

Updated efficacy analyses were performed with additional confirmed COVID-19 cases accrued during blinded placebo-controlled follow-up through 13 March 2021, representing up to 6 months of follow‑up after Dose 2 for participants in the efficacy population.

The updated vaccine efficacy information is presented in Table 5.

Table 5: Vaccine efficacy – First COVID-19 occurrence from 7 days after Dose 2, by age subgroup – participants without evidence of infection prior to 7 days after Dose 2 – evaluable efficacy (7 days) population during the placebo-controlled follow-up period

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| **First COVID-19 occurrence from 7 days after Dose 2 in participants without evidence of prior SARS‑CoV‑2 infection\*** | | | |
| **Subgroup** | **COMIRNATY**  **Na=20,998**  **Cases**  **n1b**  **Surveillance Timec (n2d)** | **Placebo**  **Na=21,096**  **Cases**  **n1b**  **Surveillance Timec (n2d)** | **Vaccine efficacy %**  **(95% CIe)** |
| All participantsf | 77  6.247 (20,712) | 850  6.003 (20,713) | 91.3  (89.0, 93.2) |
| 16 to 64 years | 70  4.859 (15,519) | 710  4.654 (15,515) | 90.6  (87.9, 92.7) |
| 65 years and older | 7  1.233 (4192) | 124  1.202 (4226) | 94.5  (88.3, 97.8) |
| 65 to 74 years | 6  0.994 (3350) | 98  0.966 (3379) | 94.1  (86.6, 97.9) |
| 75 years and older | 1  0.239 (842) | 26  0.237 (847) | 96.2  (76.9, 99.9) |
| Note: Confirmed cases were determined by Reverse Transcription-Polymerase Chain Reaction (RT-PCR) and at least 1 symptom consistent with COVID-19 (symptoms included: fever; new or increased cough; new or increased shortness of breath; chills; new or increased muscle pain; new loss of taste or smell; sore throat; diarrhoea; vomiting).  \* Participants who had no evidence of past SARS-CoV-2 infection (i.e., N-binding antibody [serum] negative at Visit 1 and SARS-CoV-2 not detected by NAAT [nasal swab] at Visits 1 and 2), and had negative NAAT (nasal swab) at any unscheduled visit prior to 7 days after Dose 2 were included in the analysis.  a. N = Number of participants in the specified group.  b. n1 = Number of participants meeting the endpoint definition.  c. Total surveillance time in 1000 person-years for the given endpoint across all participants within each group at risk for the endpoint. Time period for COVID-19 case accrual is from 7 days after Dose 2 to the end of the surveillance period.  d. n2 = Number of participants at risk for the endpoint.  e. Two-sided confidence interval (CI) for vaccine efficacy is derived based on the Clopper and Pearson method adjusted to the surveillance time.  f. Included confirmed cases in participants 12 to 15 years of age: 0 in the COMIRNATY group (both without and with or without evidence of prior SARS-CoV-2 infection); 16 and 18 in the placebo group (without and with or without evidence of prior SARS-CoV-2 infection, respectively). | | | |

Efficacy against severe COVID-19 in participants 12 years of age or older – after 2 doses

As of 13 March 2021, vaccine efficacy against severe COVID-19 is presented only for participants with or without prior SARS-CoV-2 infection (Table 6) as the COVID-19 case counts in participants without prior SARS-CoV-2 infection were the same as those in participants with or without prior SARS-CoV-2 infection in both the COMIRNATY and placebo groups.

**Table 6. Vaccine Efficacy – First Severe COVID-19 Occurrence in Participants With or Without\* Prior SARS-CoV-2 Infection Based on Food and Drug Administration (FDA)† Definition After Dose 1 or From 7 Days After Dose 2 in the Placebo-Controlled Follow-up**

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|  | **COMIRNATY**  **Cases**  **n1a**  **SurveillanceTime (n2b)** | **Placebo**  **Cases**  **n1a**  **SurveillanceTime (n2b)** | **Vaccine Efficacy %**  **(95% CIc)** |
| After Dose 1d | 1  8.439e (22,505) | 30  8.288e (22,435) | 96.7  (80.3, 99.9) |
| 7 days after Dose 2f | 1  6.522g (21,649) | 21  6.404g (21,730) | 95.3  (70.9, 99.9) |
| Note: Confirmed cases were determined by Reverse Transcription-Polymerase Chain Reaction (RT-PCR) and at least 1 symptom consistent with COVID-19 (symptoms included: fever; new or increased cough; new or increased shortness of breath; chills; new or increased muscle pain; new loss of taste or smell; sore throat; diarrhoea; vomiting).  \* Participants who had no evidence of past SARS‑CoV‑2 infection (i.e., N‑binding antibody [serum] negative at Visit 1 and SARS‑CoV‑2 not detected by NAAT [nasal swab] at Visits 1 and 2), and had negative NAAT (nasal swab) at any unscheduled visit prior to 7 days after Dose 2 were included in the analysis.  **†** Severe illness from COVID‑19 as defined by FDA is confirmed COVID‑19 and presence of at least 1 of the following:   * Clinical signs at rest indicative of severe systemic illness (respiratory rate ≥30 breaths per minute, heart rate ≥125 beats per minute, saturation of oxygen ≤93% on room air at sea level, or ratio of arterial oxygen partial pressure to fractional inspired oxygen <300 mm Hg); * Respiratory failure [defined as needing high‑flow oxygen, noninvasive ventilation, mechanical ventilation or extracorporeal membrane oxygenation (ECMO)]; * Evidence of shock (systolic blood pressure <90 mm Hg, diastolic blood pressure <60 mm Hg, or requiring vasopressors); * Significant acute renal, hepatic, or neurologic dysfunction; * Admission to an Intensive Care Unit; * Death.   a. n1 = Number of participants meeting the endpoint definition.  b. n2 = Number of participants at risk for the endpoint.  c. Two-side confidence interval (CI) for vaccine efficacy is derived based on the Clopper and Pearson method adjusted to the surveillance time.  d. Efficacy assessed based on the Dose 1 all available efficacy (modified intention-to-treat) population that included all randomised participants who received at least 1 dose of study intervention.  e. Total surveillance time in 1000 person-years for the given endpoint across all participants within each group at risk for the endpoint. Time period for COVID-19 case accrual is from Dose 1 to the end of the surveillance period.  f. Efficacy assessed based on the evaluable efficacy (7 Days) population that included all eligible randomised participants who receive all dose(s) of study intervention as randomised within the predefined window, have no other important protocol deviations as determined by the clinician  g. Total surveillance time in 1000 person-years for the given endpoint across all participants within each group at risk for the endpoint. Time period for COVID-19 case accrual is from 7 days after Dose 2 to the end of the surveillance period. | | | |

Efficacy and immunogenicity in adolescents 12 to 15 years of age – after 2 doses

An analysis of Study C4591001 has been performed in adolescents 12 to 15 years of age up to a data cut-off date of 13 March 2021.

In an analysis of Study C4591001 in adolescents 12 to 15 years of age without evidence of prior infection, there were no cases in 1005 participants who received the vaccine and 16 cases out of 978 who received placebo. The point estimate for efficacy is 100% (95% confidence interval 75.3, 100.0). In participants with or without evidence of prior infection there were 0 cases in the 1119 who received vaccine and 18 cases in 1110 participants who received placebo. This also indicates the point estimate for efficacy is 100% (95% confidence interval 78.1, 100.0). No cases of severe disease occurred in adolescents.

In Study C4591001, an analysis of SARS-CoV-2 neutralising titres in a randomly selected subset of participants was performed to demonstrate non-inferior immune responses (within 1.5-fold) comparing adolescents 12 to 15 years of age to participants 16 to 25 years of age who had no serological or virological evidence of past SARS-CoV-2 infection. The immune response to COMIRNATY in adolescents 12 to 15 years of age (n = 190) was non-inferior to the immune response in participants 16 to 25 years of age (n = 170), based on results for SARS‑CoV-2 neutralising titres at 1 month after Dose 2. The geometric mean titres (GMT) ratio of the adolescents 12 to 15 years of age group to the participants 16 to 25 years of age group was 1.76, with a 2‑sided 95% CI of 1.47 to 2.10, meeting the 1.5-fold non‑inferiority criterion (the lower bound of the 2‑sided 95% CI for the geometric mean ratio [GMR] > 0.67).

An updated efficacy analysis of Study C4591001 has been performed in approximately 2,260 adolescents 12 to 15 years of age evaluating confirmed COVID-19 cases accrued up to a data cut‑off date of 2 September 2021, representing up to 6 months of follow-up after Dose 2 for participants in the efficacy population. The dominant SARS-CoV-2 variant at the time of the efficacy study was B.1.1.7 (Alpha).

The updated vaccine efficacy information in adolescents 12 to 15 years of age is presented in Table 7.

**Table 7: Vaccine Efficacy – First COVID-19 Occurrence From 7 Days After Dose 2: Without Evidence of Infection and With or Without Evidence of Infection Prior to 7 Days After Dose 2 – Blinded Placebo-Controlled Follow-up Period, Adolescents 12 To 15 Years of Age Evaluable Efficacy (7 Days) Population**

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| **First COVID-19 occurrence from 7 days after Dose 2 in adolescents 12 to 15 years of age without evidence of prior SARS-CoV-2 infection\*** | | | |
|  | **COMIRNATY**  **Na=1057**  **Cases**  **n1b**  **SurveillanceTimec (n2d)** | **Placebo**  **Na=1030**  **Cases**  **n1b**  **SurveillanceTimec (n2d)** | **Vaccine Efficacy %**  **(95% CIe)** |
| Adolescents 12 to 15 years of age | 0  0.343 (1043) | 28  0.322 (1019) | 100.0  (86.8, 100.0) |
| **First COVID-19 occurrence from 7 days after Dose 2 in adolescents 12 to 15 years of age with or without evidence of prior SARS-CoV-2 infection** | | | |
|  | **COMIRNATY**  **Na=1119**  **Cases**  **n1b**  **SurveillanceTimec (n2d)** | **Placebo**  **Na=1109**  **Cases**  **n1b**  **SurveillanceTimec (n2d)** | **Vaccine Efficacy %**  **(95% CIe)** |
| Adolescents 12 to 15 years of age | 0  0.362 (1098) | 30  0.345 (1088) | 100.0  (87.5, 100.0) |
| Note: Confirmed cases were determined by Reverse Transcription-Polymerase Chain Reaction (RT-PCR) and at least 1 symptom consistent with COVID-19 (symptoms included: fever; new or increased cough; new or increased shortness of breath; chills; new or increased muscle pain; new loss of taste or smell; sore throat; diarrhoea; vomiting).  \* Participants who had no evidence of past SARS-CoV-2 infection (i.e., N-binding antibody [serum] negative at Visit 1 and SARS-CoV-2 not detected by NAAT [nasal swab] at Visits 1 and 2), and had negative NAAT (nasal swab) at any unscheduled visit prior to 7 days after Dose 2 were included in the analysis.  a. N = Number of participants in the specified group.  b. n1 = Number of participants meeting the endpoint definition.  c. Total surveillance time in 1000 person-years for the given endpoint across all participants within each group at risk for the endpoint. Time period for COVID-19 case accrual is from 7 days after Dose 2 to the end of the surveillance period.  d. n2 = Number of participants at risk for the endpoint.  e. Two-sided confidence interval (CI) for vaccine efficacy is derived based on the Clopper and Pearson method adjusted for surveillance time. | | | |

#### **Immunogenicity in children 5 to <12 years of age – after 2 doses**

Study C4591007 is a Phase 1/2/3 study comprised of an open-label vaccine dose‑finding portion (Phase 1) and a multicentre, multinational, randomised, saline placebo-controlled, observer-blind efficacy portion (Phase 2/3) that has enrolled participants 5 to <12 years of age.

In C4591007, an analysis of SARS-CoV-2 50% neutralising titres (NT50) 1 month after Dose 2 in a randomly selected subset of participants demonstrated effectiveness by immunobridging of immune responses comparing children 5 to <12 years of age in the Phase 2/3 part of Study C4591007 to participants 16 to 25 years of age in the Phase 2/3 part of Study C4591001 who had no serological or virological evidence of past SARS‑CoV-2 infection up to 1 month after Dose 2, meeting the prespecified immunobridging criteria for both the geometric mean ratio (GMR) and the seroresponse difference with seroresponse defined as achieving at least 4-fold rise in SARS-CoV-2 NT50 from baseline (before Dose 1).

The ratio of the SARS-CoV-2 NT50 in children 5 to <12 years of age to that of young adults 16 to 25 years of age was 1.04 (2-sided 95% CI: 0.93, 1.18), as presented in Table 8.

Table 8: Summary of geometric mean ratio for 50% neutralising titre – Comparison of children 5 to <12 years of age (Study C4591007) to participants 16 to 25 years of age (Study C4591001) – participants without\* evidence of infection up to 1 month after Dose 2 – evaluable immunogenicity population

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | | **COMIRNATY** | | **5 to <12 years/**  **16 to 25 years** | |
| **10 microgram/dose**  **5 to <12 years**  **na=264** | **30 microgram/dose**  **16 to 25 years**  **na=253** |
| **Assay** | **Time pointb** | **GMTc**  **(95% CIc)** | **GMTc**  **(95% CIc)** | **GMRd**  **(95% CId)** | **Met immunobridging objectivee**  **(Y/N)** |
| SARS-CoV-2 neutralisation assay - NT50 (titre)f | 1 month after Dose 2 | 1197.6  (1106.1, 1296.6) | 1146.5  (1045.5, 1257.2) | 1.04  (0.93, 1.18) | Y |
| Abbreviations: CI = confidence interval; GMR = geometric mean ratio; GMT = geometric mean titre; LLOQ = lower limit of quantitation; NAAT = nucleic acid amplification test; NT50 = 50% neutralising titre; SARS-CoV-2 = severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2.  \*Participants who had no serological or virological evidence (up to 1 month post-Dose 2 blood sample collection) of past SARS-CoV-2 infection (i.e., N-binding antibody [serum] negative at Visit 1 and 1 month after Dose 2, SARS-CoV-2 not detected by NAAT [nasal swab] at Visits 1 and 2, and negative NAAT (nasal swab) at any unscheduled visit up to 1 month after Dose 2 blood collection) and had no medical history of COVID-19 were included in the analysis.  a. n = Number of participants with valid and determinate assay results for the specified assay at the given dose/sampling time point.  b. Protocol-specified timing for blood sample collection.  c. GMTs and 2-sided 95% CIs were calculated by exponentiating the mean logarithm of the titres and the corresponding CIs (based on the Student t distribution). Assay results below the LLOQ were set to 0.5 × LLOQ.  d. GMRs and 2-sided 95% CIs were calculated by exponentiating the mean difference of the logarithms of the titres (Group 1[5 to < 12 years of age] - Group 2 [16 to 25 years of age]) and the corresponding CI (based on the Student t distribution).  e. Immunobridging is declared if the lower bound of the 2-sided 95% CI for the GMR is greater than 0.67 and the point estimate of the GMR is ≥0.8.  f. SARS-CoV-2 NT50 were determined using the SARS-CoV-2 mNeonGreen Virus Microneutralisation Assay. The assay uses a fluorescent reporter virus derived from the USA\_WA1/2020 strain and virus neutralisation is read on Vero cell monolayers. The sample NT50 is defined as the reciprocal serum dilution at which 50% of the virus is neutralised. | | | | | |
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Among participants without prior evidence of SARS-CoV-2 infection up to 1 month after Dose 2, 99.2% of children 5 to <12 years of age and 99.2% of participants 16 to 25 years of age had a seroresponse from before vaccination to 1 month after Dose 2. The difference in proportions of participants who had seroresponse between the 2 age groups (children – young adult) was 0.0% (2‑sided 95% CI: -2.0%, 2.2%) as presented in Table 9.

Table 9: Difference in percentages of participants with seroresponse – participants without evidence of infection up to 1 month after Dose 2 – immunobridging subset – Phase 2/3 – comparison of 5 to <12 years of age to Study C4591001 Phase 2/3 16 to 25 years of age – evaluable immunogenicity population

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | | **COMIRNATY** | | **5 to <12 years/**  **16 to 25 years** | |
| **10 microgram/dose**  **5 to <12 years**  **Na=264** | **30  microgram/dose**  **16 to 25 years**  **Na=253** |
| **Assay** | **Time pointb** | **nc (%)**  **(95% CId)** | **nc (%)**  **(95% CId)** | **Difference %e**  **(95% CIf)** | **Met immunobridging objectiveg**  **(Y/N)** |
| SARS-CoV-2 neutralisation assay – NT50 (titre)h | 1 month  after Dose 2 | 262 (99.2)  (97.3, 99.9) | 251 (99.2)  (97.2, 99.9) | 0.0  (-2.0, 2.2) | Y |
| Abbreviations: LLOQ = lower limit of quantitation; NAAT = nucleic acid amplification test; N‑binding = SARS‑CoV-2 nucleoprotein–binding; NT50 = 50% neutralising titre 50; SARS-CoV-2 = severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2.  Note: Seroresponse is defined as achieving a ≥4-fold rise from baseline (before Dose 1). If the baseline measurement is below the LLOQ, a postvaccination assay result ≥4 × LLOQ is considered a seroresponse.  Note: Participants who had no serological or virological evidence (up to 1 month post-Dose 2 blood sample collection) of past SARS-CoV-2 infection (i.e., N-binding antibody [serum] negative at Visit 1 and 1 month after Dose 2, SARS-CoV-2 not detected by NAAT [nasal swab] at Visits 1 and 2, and negative NAAT (nasal swab) at any unscheduled visit up to 1 month after Dose 2 blood collection) and had no medical history of COVID-19 were included in the analysis.  a. N = number of participants with valid and determinate assay results both before vaccination and at 1 month after Dose 2. These values are the denominators for the percentage calculations.  b. Protocol-specified timing for blood sample collection.  c. n = Number of participants with seroresponse for the given assay at the given dose/sampling time point.  d. Exact 2-sided CI based on the Clopper and Pearson method.  e. Difference in proportions, expressed as a percentage (Group 1 [5 to < 12 years of age] – Group 2 [16 to 25 years of age]).  f. 2-Sided CI, based on the Miettinen and Nurminen method for the difference in proportions, expressed as a percentage.  g. Immunobridging is declared if the lower bound of the 2-sided 95% CI for the difference in proportions is greater than ‑10.0%.  h. SARS-CoV-2 NT50 were determined using the SARS-CoV-2 mNeonGreen Virus Microneutralisation Assay. The assay uses a fluorescent reporter virus derived from the USA\_WA1/2020 strain and virus neutralisation is read on Vero cell monolayers. The sample NT50 is defined as the reciprocal serum dilution at which 50% of the virus is neutralised. | | | | | |

Immunogenicity in participants 18 years of age and older – after booster dose

Effectiveness of a booster dose of COMIRNATY was based on an assessment of 50% neutralising titres (NT50) against SARS-CoV-2 (USA\_WA1/2020). In Study C4591001, analyses of NT50 1 month after the booster dose compared to 1 month after the primary series in individuals 18 to 55 years of age who had no serological or virological evidence of past SARS‑CoV-2 infection up to 1 month after the booster vaccination demonstrated noninferiority for both GMR and difference in seroresponse rates. Seroresponse for a participant was defined as achieving a ≥4-fold rise in NT50 from baseline (before Dose 1), These analyses are summarised in Table 10.

**Table 10. SARS-CoV-2 neutralisation assay - NT50 (titre)† (SARS-CoV-2 USA\_WA1/2020) – GMT and seroresponse rate comparison of 1 month after booster dose to 1 month after primary series – participants 18 to 55 years of age without evidence of infection up to 1 month after booster dose\* – booster dose evaluable immunogenicity population±**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **n** | **1 month after booster dose**  **(95% CI)** | **1 month after primary series**  **(95% CI)** | **1 month after booster dose/- 1 month after primary series**  **(97.5% CI)** | **Met noninferiority objective**  **(Y/N)** |
| **Geometric mean 50% neutralising titre (GMTb)** | 212a | 2466.0b  (2202.6, 2760.8) | 750.6**b**  (656.2, 858.6) | 3.29c  (2.77, 3.90) | Yd |
| **Seroresponse rate (%) for 50% neutralising titre†** | 200e | 199f  99.5% (97.2%, 100.0%) | 196f  98.0% (95.0%, 99.5%) | 1.5%g  (‑0.7%, 3.7%**h**) | Yi |
| Abbreviations: CI = confidence interval; GMR = geometric mean ratio; GMT = geometric mean titre; LLOQ = lower limit of quantitation; N-binding = SARS-CoV-2 nucleoprotein-binding; NAAT = nucleic acid amplification test; NT50 = 50% neutralising titre; SARS‑CoV-2 = severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2; Y/N = yes/no.  † SARS-CoV-2 NT50 were determined using the SARS-CoV-2 mNeonGreen Virus Microneutralisation Assay. The assay uses a fluorescent reporter virus derived from the USA\_WA1/2020 strain and virus neutralisation is read on Vero cell monolayers. The sample NT50 is defined as the reciprocal serum dilution at which 50% of the virus is neutralised.  \* Participants who had no serological or virological evidence (up to 1 month after receipt of a booster dose of Comirnaty) of past SARS-CoV-2 infection (i.e., N-binding antibody [serum] negative and SARS‑CoV‑2 not detected by NAAT [nasal swab]) and had a negative NAAT (nasal swab) at any unscheduled visit up to 1 month after the booster dose were included in the analysis.  ± All eligible participants who had received 2 doses of Comirnaty as initially randomised, with Dose 2 received within the predefined window (within 19 to 42 days after Dose 1), received a booster dose of Comirnaty, had at least 1 valid and determinate immunogenicity result after booster dose from a blood collection within an appropriate window (within 28 to 42 days after the booster dose), and had no other important protocol deviations as determined by the clinician.  a. n = Number of participants with valid and determinate assay results at both sampling time points within specified window.  b. GMTs and 2-sided 95% CIs were calculated by exponentiating the mean logarithm of the titres and the corresponding CIs (based on the Student t distribution). Assay results below the LLOQ were set to 0.5 × LLOQ.  c. GMRs and 2-sided 97.5% CIs were calculated by exponentiating the mean differences in the logarithms of the assay and the corresponding CIs (based on the Student t distribution).  d. Noninferiority is declared if the lower bound of the 2-sided 97.5% CI for the GMR is > 0.67 and the point estimate of the GMR is ≥ 0.80.  e. n = Number of participants with valid and determinate assay results for the specified assay at baseline, 1 month after Dose 2 and 1 month after the booster dose within specified window. These values are the denominators for the percentage calculations.  f. Number of participants with seroresponse for the given assay at the given dose/sampling time point. Exact 2-sided CI based on the Clopper and Pearson method.  g. Difference in proportions, expressed as a percentage (1 month after booster dose – 1 month after Dose 2).  h. Adjusted Wald 2-sided CI for the difference in proportions, expressed as a percentage.  i. Noninferiority is declared if the lower bound of the 2-sided 97.5% CI for the percentage difference is > ‑10%. | | | | | |

Immunogenicity in children 5 to <12 years of age – after booster dose

In a subset from C4591007, a total of 123 children 5 to <12 years of age received a booster dose of COMIRNATY 10 micrograms after completing the primary series. All participants in the 3-Dose immunogenicity subset, received the booster dose 7 - < 9 months after Dose 2, (n = 37 [30.1%] at 7 - < 8 months and n = 86 [69.9%] at 8 - < 9 months).

Effectiveness of a booster dose of COMIRNATY was based on an assessment of NT50 against the reference strain of SARS‑CoV‑2 (USA\_WA1/2020). Analyses of NT50 1 month after the booster dose compared to before the booster dose demonstrated an increase in GMTs in individuals 5 to <12 years of age who had no serological or virological evidence of past SARS‑CoV-2 infection up to 1 month after the booster dose. This analysis is summarised in Table 11.

**Table 11: Summary of Geometric Mean Titres – NT50 – Participants Without Evidence of Infection – Phase 2/3 – Immunogenicity Set – 5 to <12 Years of Age – Evaluable Immunogenicity Population**

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|  | | **COMIRNATY 10 micrograms/Dose** | | | | | |
| **3-Dose Set** | | **2-Dose Set** | | **Total** | |
| **Assay** | **Dose/ Sampling Time Pointa** | **nb** | **GMTc**  **(95% CIc)** | **nb** | **GMTc**  **(95% CIc)** | **nb** | **GMTc**  **(95% CIc)** |
| SARS-CoV-2 neutralisation assay - NT50 (titre) | Dose 1 Prevax | 79 | 20.5  (20.5, 20.5) | 67 | 20.5  (20.5, 20.5) | 146 | 20.5  (20.5, 20.5) |
| 1 month after Dose 2 | 29 | 1659.4  (1385.1, 1988.0) | 67 | 1110.7  (965.3, 1278.1) | 96 | 1253.9  (1116.0, 1408.9) |
| Dose 3 Prevax | 67 | 271.0 (229.1, 320.6) | - | - | 67 | 271.0  (229.1, 320.6) |
| 1 month after Dose 3 | 67 | 2720.9 (2280.1, 3247.0) | - | - | 67 | 2720.9  (2280.1, 3247.0) |
| Abbreviations: CI = confidence interval; GMT = geometric mean titre; LLOQ = lower limit of quantitation; NAAT = nucleic acid amplification test; N-binding = SARS-CoV-2 nucleoprotein–binding; NT50 = 50% neutralising titre; Prevax = before vaccination; SARS-CoV-2 = severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2.  Note: Three-dose immunogenicity set included the first 130 participants who received Dose 3 and completed 1‑month post–Dose 3 visit prior to March 15, 2022. Among those, 30 had blood sample collection at 1‑month post‑Dose 2. Two-dose immunogenicity set included an extra 67 participants randomly selected from previous Dose-2 evaluable immunogenicity population and without evidence of infection up to 1-month post–Dose 2 subset used for 2-dose immunobridging analysis.  Note: Participants included in this analysis had no serological or virological evidence of past SARS-CoV-2 infection up to the 1‑month post–Dose 2 (for 1-month post–Dose 2 time point) or 1-month post–Dose 3 (for pre–Dose 3 and 1-month post–Dose 3 time point) study blood sample collection. Having no evidence of past SARS-CoV-2 infection up to 1-month post–Dose 2 was defined as having a negative N-binding antibody (serum) result at the Dose 1 and 1‑month post–Dose 2 study visits; a negative NAAT (nasal swab) result at the Dose 1 and Dose 2 study visits and any unscheduled visit prior to the 1-month post–Dose 2 blood sample collection; and no medical history of COVID‑19. Having no evidence of past SARS-CoV-2 infection up to 1-month post‑Dose 3 was defined as having a negative N-binding antibody (serum) result at the Dose 1, 1-month post–Dose 2 (if available), Dose 3, and 1‑month post–Dose 3 study visits; a negative NAAT (nasal swab) result at the Dose 1, Dose 2, and Dose 3 study visits and any unscheduled visit prior to the 1-month post–Dose 3 blood sample collection; and no medical history of COVID‑19.  a. Protocol-specified timing for blood sample collection.  b. n = Number of participants with valid and determinate assay results for the specified assay at the given dose/sampling time point.  c. GMTs and 2-sided 95% CIs were calculated by exponentiating the mean logarithm of the titres and the corresponding CIs (based on the Student t distribution). Assay results below the LLOQ were set to 0.5 × LLOQ. | | | | | | | |

5.2 Pharmacokinetic properties

Not applicable.

5.3 Preclinical safety data

Genotoxicity/Carcinogenicity

Neither genotoxicity nor carcinogenicity studies were performed. The components of COMIRNATY (lipids and mRNA) are not expected to have genotoxic potential.

6. PHARMACEUTICAL PARTICULARS

6.1 List of excipients

((4-hydroxybutyl)azanediyl)bis(hexane-6,1-diyl)bis(2-hexyldecanoate) (ALC-0315)

2‑[(polyethylene glycol)-2000]-N,N-ditetradecylacetamide (ALC-0159)

Distearoylphosphatidylcholine (DSPC)

Cholesterol

Trometamol

Trometamol hydrochloride

Sucrose

Water for injections

6.2 Incompatibilities

This medicinal product must not be mixed with other medicinal products except those mentioned in Section 4.2 Dose and method of administration.

6.3 Shelf life

In Australia, information on the shelf life can be found on the public summary of the Australian Register of Therapeutic Goods (ARTG). The expiry date can be found on the packaging.

COMIRNATY Ready To Use Multidose (For Age 12 Years and Above, Do Not Dilute)

Unopened vial

12 months when stored at -90°C to -60°C.

COMIRNATY Ready To Use Multidose (For Age 12 Years and Above, Do Not Dilute) may be received frozen at ‑90°C to ‑60°C or at ‑25°C to ‑15°C. Frozen vaccine can be stored either at ‑90°C to ‑60°C or 2°C to 8°C upon receipt.

Once removed from frozen storage, the unopened vial may be stored refrigerated at 2°C to 8°C for a single period of up to 10 weeks within the 12‑month shelf life.

Upon moving the product to 2°C to 8°C storage, the updated expiry date must be written on the outer carton and the vaccine should be used or discarded by the updated expiry date. The original expiry date should be crossed out.

If the vaccine is received at 2°C to 8°C it should be stored at 2°C to 8°C. Check that the expiry date on the outer carton has been updated to reflect the refrigerated expiry date and that the original expiry date has been crossed out.

When stored frozen at ‑90°C to ‑60°C, the vaccine can be thawed at either 2°C to 8°C or at temperatures up to 30°C.

Vaccine may be stored at temperatures between 8°C to 30°C for up to 24 hours, including any time within these temperatures following first puncture.

Thawed vials can be handled in room light conditions.

Once thawed, COMIRNATY Ready To Use Multidose (For Age 12 Years and Above, Do Not Dilute) should not be re-frozen.

Opened vial

Chemical and physical in-use stability has been demonstrated for 12 hours at 8ºC to 30ºC. From a microbiological point of view, unless the method of opening precludes the risks of microbial contamination, the product should be used immediately after the first puncture. If not used immediately, in-use storage times and conditions are the responsibility of the user.

COMIRNATY Dilute To Use Multidose (For Age 5 to <12 Years)

Unopened vial

12 months when stored at -90°C to -60°C.

COMIRNATY Dilute To Use Multidose (For Age 5 to <12 Years) may be received frozen at -90°C to -60°C or at - 25°C to -15°C. Frozen vaccine can be stored either at -90°C to -60°C or 2°C to 8°C upon receipt.

Once removed from frozen storage, the unopened vial may be stored refrigerated at 2°C to 8°C for a single period of up to 10 weeks within the 12-month shelf life.

Upon moving the product to 2°C to 8°C storage, the updated expiry date must be written on the outer carton and the vaccine should be used or discarded by the updated expiry date. The original expiry date should be crossed out.

If the vaccine is received at 2°C to 8°C it should be stored at 2°C to 8°C. Check that the expiry date on the outer carton has been updated to reflect the refrigerated expiry date and that the original expiry date has been crossed out.

When stored frozen at -90°C to -60°C, the vaccine can be thawed at either 2°C to 8°C or at temperatures up to 30°C.

Vaccine may be stored at temperatures between 8ºC to 30ºC for up to 24 hours, including any time at these temperatures following dilution.

Thawed vials can be handled in room light conditions.

Once thawed COMIRNATY Dilute To Use Multidose (For Age 5 to <12 Years) should not be re-frozen.

Diluted medicinal product

Chemical and physical in-use stability has been demonstrated for 12 hours at 2ºC to 30ºC, after dilution with sodium chloride 9 mg/mL (0.9%) solution for injection. From a microbiological point of view, unless the method of opening precludes the risks of microbial contamination, the product should be used immediately. If not used immediately, in-use storage times and conditions are the responsibility of the user.

6.4 Special precautions for storage

COMIRNATY Ready To Use Multidose (For Age 12 Years and Above, Do Not Dilute) and COMIRNATY Dilute To Use Multidose (For Age 5 to <12 Years) can be stored in a refrigerator at 2°C to 8°C for a single period of up to 10 weeks, not exceeding the original expiry date (EXP). Alternatively, the vaccine may be stored in a freezer at -90°C to ‑60°C. The expiry date for storage at ‑90°C to ‑60°C is printed on the vial and outer carton after “EXP”.

The vaccine may be received frozen at ‑90°C to ‑60°C or at ‑25°C to ‑15°C. Frozen vaccine can be stored either at ‑90°C to ‑60°C or 2°C to 8°C upon receipt. Upon moving the product to 2°C to 8°C storage, the updated expiry must be written on the outer carton and the vaccine should be used or discarded by the updated expiry date. The original expiry date should be crossed out.

If the vaccine is received at 2°C to 8°C it should be stored at 2°C to 8°C. Check that the expiry date has been updated to reflect the refrigerated EXP date and that the original expiry date has been crossed out.

Store in the original package in order to protect from light.

During storage, minimise exposure to room light, and avoid exposure to direct sunlight and ultraviolet light.

When stored frozen at -90°C to -60°C, the vaccine can be thawed at either 2°C to 8°C or at room temperature (up to 30°C). For detailed instructions see Section 4.2 Dose and method of administration – COMIRNATY Ready To Use Multidose (For Age 12 Years and Above, Do Not Dilute), Handling instructions (Handling prior to use), *and* COMIRNATY Dilute To Use Multidose (For Age 5 to <12 Years), Handling instructions (Handling prior to use).

Once thawed, the vaccine cannot be re-frozen.

Thawed vials can be handled in room light conditions.

For storage conditions after thawing and dilution of the medicinal product, see Section 6.3 Shelf life.

For additional advice on storing COMIRNATY, contact Pfizer Australia on 1800 675 229.

6.5 Nature and contents of container

COMIRNATY Ready To Use Multidose (For Age 12 Years and Above, Do Not Dilute): 2 mL clear multidose vial (Type I glass) with a stopper (synthetic bromobutyl rubber) and a grey flip-off plastic cap with aluminium seal. Each vial contains 6 doses, see Section 4.2 Dose and method of administration.

COMIRNATY Dilute To Use Multidose (For Age 5 to <12 Years): 2 mL clear multidose vial (Type I glass) with a stopper (synthetic bromobutyl rubber) and an orange flip-off plastic cap with aluminium seal. Each vial contains 10 doses, see Section 4.2 Dose and method of administration.

Pack size: 10 vials, 195 vials

6.6 Special precautions for disposal

In Australia, any unused medicine or waste material should be disposed of in accordance with local requirements.

6.7 Physicochemical properties

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7. MEDICINE SCHEDULE (POISONS STANDARD)

S4 – Prescription Only Medicine.

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Summary Table of Changes

| **Section changed** | **Summary of new information** |
| --- | --- |
| 4.2 | Addition of booster dose for children 5 to 11 years of age |
| 4.8 & 5.1 | Addition of safety and clinical information relevant to the booster dose for children 5 to 11 years of age |