

EISAI ANNOUNCES LAUNCH OF ANTIEPILEPTIC DRUG FYCOMPA™ IN U.S.

Eisai Co., Ltd. (Headquarters: Tokyo, President & CEO: Haruo Naito, “Eisai”) announced today that on January 2, 2014, its U.S. subsidiary Eisai Inc. launched the AMPA receptor antagonist Fycompa™ (perampanel), a first-in-class antiepileptic drug (AED) discovered and developed in-house, in the United States as an adjunctive therapy for partial-onset seizures with or without secondary generalized seizures in patients with epilepsy aged 12 and older.

Fycompa is a highly selective, noncompetitive AMPA receptor antagonist discovered and developed by Eisai. With epileptic seizures being primarily mediated by the neurotransmitter glutamate, the agent works as a first-in-class AED that reduces neuronal hyperexcitation associated with seizures by targeting glutamate activity at postsynaptic AMPA receptors. It is approved in more than 35 countries worldwide, xcnoeas mt0-i

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1. About Epilepsy

Epilepsy is a medical condition that produces seizures, affecting a variety of mental and physical functions. A patient is considered to have epilepsy after two or more unprovoked seizures. A seizure occurs when a brief,

Withdrawal of Antiepileptic Drugs (AEDs)

Patients must not stop Fycompa without first talking to their healthcare provider. Stopping Fycompa suddenly can