

FDA approves first vaccine for Ebola virus

February 2020—The U.S. Food and Drug Administration announced the approval of Ervebo (Merck), the first FDA-approved vaccine for the prevention of Ebola virus disease, caused by Zaire ebolavirus, in people 18 years of age and older. Ervebo is administered as a single-dose injection and is a live, attenuated vaccine that has been genetically engineered to contain a protein from the Zaire ebolavirus.

The FDA granted this application priority review and a tropical disease priority review voucher as well as a breakthrough therapy designation.

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