

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

NOVARTIS PHARMACEUTICALS  
CORPORATION,

Plaintiff,

v.

**XAVIER BECERRA, in his official capacity  
as Secretary of Health and Human Services;  
CHIQUITA BROOKS-LASURE, in her  
official capacity as Administrator of Centers  
for Medicare & Medicaid Services; U.S.  
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN  
SERVICES; CENTERS FOR MEDICARE  
& MEDICAID SERVICES,**

Defendants.

Civil Action No. 23-cv-14221-(ZNQ) (DEA)

**ORDER**

**OURAISHI, District Judge**

**THIS MATTER** comes before the Court upon a Joint Motion to Set Briefing Schedule filed jointly by the parties (ECF No. 12). For good cause shown,

**IT IS** on this **27th** day of **October 2023**,

**ORDERED** that the parties' Joint Motion to Set Briefing Schedule (ECF No. 12) is hereby **GRANTED**; and it is further

**ORDERED** that the following schedule shall govern the proceedings in this case:

- **November 22, 2023:** Plaintiff's motion for summary judgment, not to exceed 40 pages;
- **January 12, 2024:** Defendants' combined opposition and cross-motion for summary judgment, not to exceed 40 pages;

- **February 9, 2024:** Plaintiff's combined reply in support of its motion for summary judgment and opposition to Defendants' cross-motion for summary judgment, not to exceed 40 pages;
- **March 6, 2024:** Defendants' reply in support of their cross-motion for summary judgment, not to exceed 25 pages; and it is further

**ORDERED** that in light of the protracted briefing schedule requested, the parties are to refrain from filing the moving, opposition, and reply papers on the docket; the parties are to instead serve their briefs on each other as set forth in the above schedule; and on the same day that briefing is complete, the parties shall file their respective briefs together with any notice of motion; and it is further

**ORDERED** that the parties need not file statements of material fact under Local Civil Rule 56.1(a); and it is further

**ORDERED** that Defendants need not file an Answer to the Complaint.

s/Zahid N. Quraishi  
**ZAHID N. QURAISHI**  
**UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE**