

ANDA 65-006

December 17, 1998

Taylor Pharmaceuticals
Attention: James G. Baumann, Jr.
1222 West Grand Avenue
Decatur, IL 62525-1220



Dear Sir:

This is in reference to your abbreviated new drug application dated January 20, 1998, submitted pursuant to Section 505(j) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, for Trimethoprim Sulfate and Polymyxin B Sulfate Ophthalmic Solution, 1 mg (base) and 10,000 units per mL, respectively. We note that this product is subject to the exception provisions of Section 125(d)(2) of Title I of the Food and Drug Administration Modernization Act of 1997.

Reference is also made to your amendments dated February 10, September 2, September 29, October 15, November 20, December 7, and December 14, 1998.

We have completed the review of this abbreviated application and have concluded that the drug is safe and effective for use as recommended in the submitted labeling. Accordingly, the application is approved. The Division of Bioequivalence has determined your Trimethoprim Sulfate and Polymyxin B Sulfate Ophthalmic Solution, 1 mg (base) and 10,000 units per/mL, respectively, to be bioequivalent and, therefore, therapeutically equivalent to the listed drug (Polytrim® Ophthalmic Solution of Allergan Pharmaceutical).

Under 21 CFR 314.70, certain changes in the conditions described in this abbreviated application require an approved supplemental application before the change may be made.

Post-marketing reporting requirements for this abbreviated application are set forth in 21 CFR 314.80-81 and 314.98. The Office of Generic Drugs should be advised of any change in the marketing status of this drug.

We request that you submit, in duplicate, any proposed

advertising or promotional copy which you intend to use in your initial advertising or promotional campaigns. Please submit all proposed materials in draft or mock-up form, not final print.

Submit both copies together with a copy of the proposed or final printed labeling to the Division of Drug Marketing, Advertising, and Communications (HFD-40). Please do not use Form FD-2253 (Transmittal of Advertisements and Promotional Labeling for Drugs for Human Use) for this initial submission.

We call your attention to 21 CFR 314.81(b)(3) which requires that materials for any subsequent advertising or promotional campaign be submitted to our Division of Drug Marketing, Advertising, and Communications (HFD-40) with a completed Form FD-2253 at the time of their initial use.

Validation of the regulatory methods has not been completed. It is the policy of the Office not to withhold approval until the validation process is complete. We acknowledge your commitment to satisfactorily resolve any deficiencies which may be identified.

Sincerely yours,

Douglas L. Sporn
Director
Office of Generic Drugs
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research