



NDA 021664/S-013

**SUPPLEMENT APPROVAL**

ISTA Pharmaceuticals, Inc.  
Attention: Paul Nowacki  
Director, Regulatory Affairs  
15295 Alton Parkway  
Irvine, CA 92618

Dear Mr. Nowacki:

Please refer to your Supplemental New Drug Application (sNDA) dated December 16, 2009, received December 16, 2009, submitted under section 505(b) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FDCA) for bromfenac sodium ophthalmic solution, 0.09%.

We acknowledge receipt of your amendments dated February 24, March 2, April 8, May 21 and 25, July 9, 12, 23 and 30, and September 7, 9 and 15, and October 8, 2010.

This Prior Approval supplemental new drug application proposes a change in dosing regimen from twice-a-day (BID) dosing following cataract extraction surgery to once-a-day (QD) dosing beginning one day prior to surgery, continuing on the day of surgery and for 14 days after surgery.

We have completed our review of this supplemental application, as amended. It is approved, effective on the date of this letter, for use as recommended in the enclosed, agreed-upon labeling text.

As soon as possible, but no later than 14 days from the date of this letter, submit, using the FDA automated drug registration and listing system (eLIST), the content of labeling [21 CFR 314.50(l)] in structured product labeling (SPL) format, as described at <http://www.fda.gov/ForIndustry/DataStandards/StructuredProductLabeling/default.htm>, that is identical to the enclosed labeling (text for the package insert) and include the labeling changes proposed in any pending "Changes Being Effected" (CBE) supplements. Information on submitting SPL files using eLIST may be found in the guidance for industry titled "SPL Standard for Content of Labeling Technical Qs and As" at <http://www.fda.gov/downloads/DrugsGuidanceComplianceRegulatoryInformation/Guidances/UCM072392.pdf>.

The SPL will be accessible from publicly available labeling repositories.

Also within 14 days, amend all pending supplemental applications for this NDA, including pending "Changes Being Effected" (CBE) supplements, for which FDA has not yet issued an action letter, with the content of labeling [21 CFR 314.50(l)(1)(i)] in MS Word format that includes the changes approved in this supplemental application.

We acknowledge your September 9, 2010, submission containing final printed carton and container labels.

Under the Pediatric Research Equity Act (PREA) (21 U.S.C. 355c), all applications for new active ingredients, new indications, new dosage forms, new dosing regimens, or new routes of administration are required to contain an assessment of the safety and effectiveness of the product for the claimed indication(s) in pediatric patients unless this requirement is waived, deferred, or inapplicable. We are waiving the pediatric study requirement for this application because this product does not represent a meaningful therapeutic benefit over existing therapies (topical corticosteroids) for pediatric patients **and** is not likely to be used in a substantial number of pediatric patients.

You may request advisory comments on proposed introductory advertising and promotional labeling. To do so, submit the following, in triplicate, (1) a cover letter requesting advisory comments, (2) the proposed materials in draft or mock-up form with annotated references, and (3) the package insert(s) to:

Food and Drug Administration  
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research  
Division of Drug Marketing, Advertising, and Communications  
5901-B Ammendale Road  
Beltsville, MD 20705-1266

You must submit final promotional materials and package insert(s), accompanied by a Form FDA 2253, at the time of initial dissemination or publication [21 CFR 314.(b)(3)(i)]. Form FDA 2253 is available at <http://www.fda.gov/opacom/morechoices/fdaforms/cder.html>; instructions are provided on page 2 of the form. For more information about submission of promotional materials to the Division of Drug Marketing, Advertising, and Communications (DDMAC), see <http://www.fda.gov/AboutFDA/CentersOffices/CDER/ucm090142.htm>.

If you decide to issue a letter communicating important safety-related information about this drug product (i.e., a “Dear Health Care Professional” letter), we request that you submit, at least 24 hours prior to issuing the letter, an electronic copy of the letter to this NDA, to CDERMedWatchSafetyAlerts@fda.hhs.gov, and to the following address:

MedWatch Program  
Office of Special Health Issues  
Food and Drug Administration  
10903 New Hampshire Ave  
Building 32, Mail Stop 5353  
Silver Spring, MD 20993

We remind you that you must comply with reporting requirements for an approved NDA (21 CFR 314.80 and 314.81).

If you have any questions, call Jane A. Dean, RN, MSN, Regulatory Health Project Manager, at (301) 796-1202.

Sincerely,

*{See appended electronic signature page}*

Wiley A. Chambers, MD  
Acting Director  
Division of Anti-Infective and Ophthalmology Products  
Office of Antimicrobial Products  
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research

ENCLOSURES:

Content of Labeling  
Carton and Container Labeling

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