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APPLICATION NUMBER:

21-266

21-267

ADMINISTRATIVE DOCUMENTS

**13. PATENT AND EXCLUSIVITY INFORMATION FOR VFEND™ IV AND ORAL
(VORICONAZOLE)**

1.	Active Ingredient:	(2R,3S)-2-(2,4-difluorophenyl)-3-(5-fluoro-4-pyrimidinyl)-1-(1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl)-2-butanol with an empirical formula of C ₁₆ H ₁₄ F ₃ N ₅ O and a molecular weight of 349.3.
2.	Strengths:	Oral – 50 or 200 mg IV – 200 mg per vial
3.	Trade Name:	VFEND™
4.	Dosage Form/Route of Administration:	Oral and IV
5.	Application Firm Name:	Pfizer Inc
6.	NDA Number:	Oral – 21,266 IV – 21,267
7.	Exclusivity Period:	Five years from date of approval
8.	Applicable Patent Numbers and Expiration Dates:	5,116,844 exp. August 11, 2009 5,364,938 exp. November 15, 2011 5,567,817 exp. October 22, 2013 5,773,443 exp. January 25, 2011

14. PATENT CERTIFICATION

With respect to the drug, VFEND™, which is the subject of this Application (NDA 21-266 and NDA-21-267) and the U.S. patents that are listed in Item 13 of this Application, Pfizer certifies that the drug, VFEND™, pharmaceutical compositions thereof, and methods of treating fungal infections are claimed in U.S. Patents Nos. 5,116,844; 5,364,938; 5,567,817 and 5,773,443.

EXCLUSIVITY SUMMARY for NDAs # 21-266 & 21-267 SUPPL #

Trade Name VFEND™ Generic Name voriconazole

Applicant Name Pfizer Inc. HFD- 590

Approval Date May 24, 2002

PART I: IS AN EXCLUSIVITY DETERMINATION NEEDED?

1. An exclusivity determination will be made for all original applications, but only for certain supplements. Complete Parts II and III of this Exclusivity Summary only if you answer "YES" to one or more of the following questions about the submission.

- a) Is it an original NDA? YES/ X / NO / /
- b) Is it an effectiveness supplement? YES / / NO / X /

If yes, what type(SE1, SE2, etc.)?

- c) Did it require the review of clinical data other than to support a safety claim or change in labeling related to safety? (If it required review only of bioavailability or bioequivalence data, answer "NO.")

YES / X / NO / /

If your answer is "no" because you believe the study is a bioavailability study and, therefore, not eligible for exclusivity, EXPLAIN why it is a bioavailability study, including your reasons for disagreeing with any arguments made by the applicant that the study was not simply a bioavailability study.

If it is a supplement requiring the review of clinical data but it is not an effectiveness supplement, describe the change or claim that is supported by the clinical data:

d) Did the applicant request exclusivity?

YES /___/ NO /_x_/

If the answer to (d) is "yes," how many years of exclusivity did the applicant request?

e) Has pediatric exclusivity been granted for this Active Moiety?

YES /___/ NO /_x_/

IF YOU HAVE ANSWERED "NO" TO ALL OF THE ABOVE QUESTIONS, GO DIRECTLY TO THE SIGNATURE BLOCKS ON Page 9.

2. Has a product with the same active ingredient(s), dosage form, strength, route of administration, and dosing schedule previously been approved by FDA for the same use? (Rx to OTC Switches should be answered No - Please indicate as such).

YES /___/ NO /_x_/

If yes, NDA # _____ Drug Name

IF THE ANSWER TO QUESTION 2 IS "YES," GO DIRECTLY TO THE SIGNATURE BLOCKS ON Page 9.

3. Is this drug product or indication a DESI upgrade?

YES /___/ NO /_x_/

IF THE ANSWER TO QUESTION 3 IS "YES," GO DIRECTLY TO THE SIGNATURE BLOCKS ON Page 9 (even if a study was required for the upgrade).

PART II: FIVE-YEAR EXCLUSIVITY FOR NEW CHEMICAL ENTITIES
(Answer either #1 or #2, as appropriate)

1. Single active ingredient product.

Has FDA previously approved under section 505 of the Act any drug product containing the same active moiety as the drug under consideration? Answer "yes" if the active moiety (including other esterified forms, salts, complexes, chelates or clathrates) has been previously approved, but this particular form of the active moiety, e.g., this particular ester or salt (including salts with hydrogen or coordination bonding) or other non-covalent derivative (such as a complex, chelate, or clathrate) has not been approved. Answer "no" if the compound requires metabolic conversion (other than deesterification of an esterified form of the drug) to produce an already approved active moiety.

YES /___/ NO /__X_/

If "yes," identify the approved drug product(s) containing the active moiety, and, if known, the NDA #(s).

NDA #

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2. Combination product.

If the product contains more than one active moiety (as defined in Part II, #1), has FDA previously approved an application under section 505 containing any one of the active moieties in the drug product? If, for example, the combination contains one never-before-approved active moiety and one previously approved active moiety, answer "yes." (An active moiety that is marketed under an OTC monograph, but that was never approved under an NDA, is considered not previously approved.)

YES /___/ NO /___/ N/A __X__

If "yes," identify the approved drug product(s) containing the active moiety, and, if known, the NDA #(s).

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IF THE ANSWER TO QUESTION 1 OR 2 UNDER PART II IS "NO," GO DIRECTLY TO THE SIGNATURE BLOCKS ON Page 9. IF "YES," GO TO PART III.

PART III: THREE-YEAR EXCLUSIVITY FOR NDA'S AND SUPPLEMENTS

To qualify for three years of exclusivity, an application or supplement must contain "reports of new clinical investigations (other than bioavailability studies) essential to the approval of the application and conducted or sponsored by the applicant." This section should be completed only if the answer to PART II, Question 1 or 2, was "yes."

1. Does the application contain reports of clinical investigations? (The Agency interprets "clinical investigations" to mean investigations conducted on humans other than bioavailability studies.) If the application contains clinical investigations only by virtue of a right of reference to clinical investigations in another application, answer "yes," then skip to question 3(a). If the answer to 3(a) is "yes" for any investigation referred to in another application, do not complete remainder of summary for that investigation.

YES / ___ / NO / ___ /

IF "NO," GO DIRECTLY TO THE SIGNATURE BLOCKS ON Page 9.

2. A clinical investigation is "essential to the approval" if the Agency could not have approved the application or supplement without relying on that investigation. Thus, the investigation is not essential to the approval if 1) no clinical investigation is necessary to support the supplement or application in light of previously approved applications (i.e., information other than clinical trials, such as bioavailability data, would be sufficient to provide a basis

for approval as an ANDA or 505(b)(2) application because of what is already known about a previously approved product), or 2) there are published reports of studies (other than those conducted or sponsored by the applicant) or other publicly available data that independently would have been sufficient to support approval of the application, without reference to the clinical investigation submitted in the application.

For the purposes of this section, studies comparing two products with the same ingredient(s) are considered to be bioavailability studies.

- (a) In light of previously approved applications, is a clinical investigation (either conducted by the applicant or available from some other source, including the published literature) necessary to support approval of the application or supplement?

YES /___/ NO /___/

If "no," state the basis for your conclusion that a clinical trial is not necessary for approval AND GO DIRECTLY TO SIGNATURE BLOCK ON Page 9:

- (b) Did the applicant submit a list of published studies relevant to the safety and effectiveness of this drug product and a statement that the publicly available data would not independently support approval of the application?

YES /___/ NO /___/

- (1) If the answer to 2(b) is "yes," do you personally know of any reason to disagree with the applicant's conclusion? If not applicable, answer NO.

YES /___/ NO /___/

If yes, explain:

(2) If the answer to 2(b) is "no," are you aware of published studies not conducted or sponsored by the applicant or other publicly available data that could independently demonstrate the safety and effectiveness of this drug product?

YES /___/ NO /___/

If yes, explain:

(c) If the answers to (b)(1) and (b)(2) were both "no," identify the clinical investigations submitted in the application that are essential to the approval:

Investigation #1, Study #

Investigation #2, Study #

Investigation #3, Study #

3. In addition to being essential, investigations must be "new" to support exclusivity. The agency interprets "new clinical investigation" to mean an investigation that 1) has not been relied on by the agency to demonstrate the effectiveness of a previously approved drug for any indication and 2) does not duplicate the results of another investigation that was relied on by the agency to demonstrate the effectiveness of a previously approved drug product, i.e., does not redemonstrate something the agency considers to have been demonstrated in an already approved application.

(a) For each investigation identified as "essential to the approval," has the investigation been relied on by the agency to demonstrate the effectiveness of a previously approved drug product? (If the investigation was relied on only to support the safety of a previously approved drug, answer "no.")

Investigation #1 YES /___/ NO /___/

Investigation #2 YES /___/ NO /___/

Investigation #3 YES /___/ NO /___/

If you have answered "yes" for one or more investigations, identify each such investigation and the NDA in which each was relied upon:

NDA # _____ Study #
NDA # _____ Study #
NDA # _____ Study #

- (b) For each investigation identified as "essential to the approval," does the investigation duplicate the results of another investigation that was relied on by the agency to support the effectiveness of a previously approved drug product?

Investigation #1 YES /___/ NO /___/
Investigation #2 YES /___/ NO /___/
Investigation #3 YES /___/ NO /___/

If you have answered "yes" for one or more investigations, identify the NDA in which a similar investigation was relied on:

NDA # _____ Study #
NDA # _____ Study #
NDA # _____ Study #

- (c) If the answers to 3(a) and 3(b) are no, identify each "new" investigation in the application or supplement that is essential to the approval (i.e., the investigations listed in #2(c), less any that are not "new"):

Investigation #__, Study #
Investigation #__, Study #
Investigation #__, Study #

4. To be eligible for exclusivity, a new investigation that is essential to approval must also have been conducted or sponsored by the applicant. An investigation was "conducted or sponsored by" the applicant if, before or during the conduct of the investigation, 1) the applicant was the sponsor of the IND named in the form FDA 1571 filed with the Agency, or 2) the applicant (or its predecessor in interest) provided substantial support for the study. Ordinarily, substantial support will mean providing 50 percent or more of the cost of the study.

(a) For each investigation identified in response to question 3(c): if the investigation was carried out under an IND, was the applicant identified on the FDA 1571 as the sponsor?

Investigation #1 !
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IND # _____ YES /___/ ! NO /___/ Explain:
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(b) For each investigation not carried out under an IND or for which the applicant was not identified as the sponsor, did the applicant certify that it or the applicant's predecessor in interest provided substantial support for the study?

Investigation #1 !
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YES /___/ Explain _____ ! NO /___/ Explain _____
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(c) Notwithstanding an answer of "yes" to (a) or (b), are there other reasons to believe that the applicant should not be credited with having "conducted or sponsored" the study? (Purchased studies may not be used as the basis for exclusivity. However, if all rights to the drug are purchased (not just studies on the drug), the applicant may be considered to have sponsored or conducted the studies sponsored or conducted by its predecessor in interest.)

YES /___/ NO /___/

If yes, explain: _____

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Regulatory Project Manager

Renata Albrecht, M.D.
Acting Division Director

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Archival NDA
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HFD- /RPM
HFD-093/Mary Ann Holovac
HFD-104/PEDS/T.Crescenzi

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Item 16
NDA 21-266
Oral Tablets

DEBARMENT CERTIFICATION
[FD&C Act 306(k)(1)]

Pfizer hereby certifies that it did not and will not use in any capacity the services of any person debarred under section 306 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act in connection with this application.

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William H. Harvey

Signature of Company Representative

November 2, 2000

Date

Item 16
NDA 21-267
IV for Infusion

DEBARMENT CERTIFICATION
[FD&C Act 306(k)(1)]

Pfizer hereby certifies that it did not and will not use in any capacity the services of any person debarred under section 306 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act in connection with this application.

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Thomas H. Army
Signature of Company Representative

November 2, 2010
Date

PEDIATRIC PAGE

(Complete for all APPROVED original applications and efficacy supplements)

NDA# : 21-266 & 21-267 Supplement Type (e.g. SE5): _____ Supplement Number: _____

Stamp Date: November 17, 2000 Action Date: December 17, 2001 (AE)

Class I Resubmission/ Stamp Date: March 26, 2002 Action Date: May 24, 2002 (AP)

HFD 590 Trade and generic names/dosage form: VFEND™ (voriconazole) Tablets and VFEND™ (voriconazole for infusion)

Applicant: Pfizer Inc. Therapeutic Class: Antifungal

Indication(s) previously approved: N/A – application not previously approved

Each approved indication must have pediatric studies: Completed, Deferred, and/or Waived.

Number of indications for this application(s): 2

Indication #1: Invasive aspergillosis

Is there a full waiver for this indication (check one)?

Yes: Please proceed to Section A.

No: Please check all that apply: Partial Waiver Deferred Completed

NOTE: More than one may apply

Please proceed to Section B, Section C, and/or Section D and complete as necessary.

Section A: Fully Waived Studies

Reason(s) for full waiver:

- Products in this class for this indication have been studied/labeled for pediatric population
- Disease/condition does not exist in children
- Too few children with disease to study
- There are safety concerns
- Other: _____

If studies are fully waived, then pediatric information is complete for this indication. If there is another indication, please see Attachment A. Otherwise, this Pediatric Page is complete and should be entered into DFS.

Section B: Partially Waived Studies

Age/weight range being partially waived:

Min _____ kg _____ mo. _____ yr. _____ Tanner Stage _____
Max _____ kg _____ mo. _____ yr. _____ Tanner Stage _____

Reason(s) for partial waiver:

- Products in this class for this indication have been studied/labeled for pediatric population
- Disease/condition does not exist in children
- Too few children with disease to study
- There are safety concerns
- Adult studies ready for approval
- Formulation needed
- Other: _____

If studies are deferred, proceed to Section C. If studies are completed, proceed to Section D. Otherwise, this Pediatric Page is complete and should be entered into DFS.

Section C: Deferred Studies

Age/weight range being deferred: 2-18 years of age deferred

0-2 years of age deferred (company plans to request a waiver December 1, 2002)

Min _____ kg _____ mo. _____ yr. _____ Tanner Stage _____
Max _____ kg _____ mo. _____ yr. _____ Tanner Stage _____

Reason(s) for deferral:

- Products in this class for this indication have been studied/labeled for pediatric population
- Disease/condition does not exist in children
- Too few children with disease to study
- There are safety concerns
- Adult studies ready for approval
- Formulation needed

Other: _____

Date studies are due (mm/dd/yy): 12/31/2003

If studies are completed, proceed to Section D. Otherwise, this Pediatric Page is complete and should be entered into DFS.

Section D: Completed Studies

Age/weight range of completed studies:

Min _____ kg _____ mo. _____ yr. _____ Tanner Stage _____
Max _____ kg _____ mo. _____ yr. _____ Tanner Stage _____

Comments:

If there are additional indications, please proceed to Attachment A. Otherwise, this Pediatric Page is complete and should be entered into DFS.

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Attachment A

(This attachment is to be completed for those applications with multiple indications only.)

Indication #2: Serious fungal infections caused by *Scedosporium apiospermum* and *Fusarium* spp., including *Fusarium solani*, in patients intolerant of or refractory to other therapy

Is there a full waiver for this indication (check one)?

Yes: Please proceed to Section A.

No: Please check all that apply: Partial Waiver Deferred Completed

NOTE: More than one may apply

Please proceed to Section B, Section C, and/or Section D and complete as necessary.

Section A: Fully Waived Studies

Reason(s) for full waiver:

- Products in this class for this indication have been studied/labeled for pediatric population
- Disease/condition does not exist in children
- Too few children with disease to study
- There are safety concerns
- Other: _____

If studies are fully waived, then pediatric information is complete for this indication. If there is another indication, please see Attachment A. Otherwise, this Pediatric Page is complete and should be entered into DFS.

Section B: Partially Waived Studies

Age/weight range being partially waived:

Min _____ kg _____ mo. _____ yr. _____ Tanner Stage _____
Max _____ kg _____ mo. _____ yr. _____ Tanner Stage _____

Reason(s) for partial waiver:

- Products in this class for this indication have been studied/labeled for pediatric population
- Disease/condition does not exist in children
- Too few children with disease to study
- There are safety concerns
- Adult studies ready for approval
- Formulation needed
- Other: _____

If studies are deferred, proceed to Section C. If studies are completed, proceed to Section D. Otherwise, this Pediatric Page is complete and should be entered into DFS.

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Section C: Deferred Studies

Age/weight range being deferred: 2-18 years of age deferred
0-2 years of age deferred (company plans to request a waiver December 1, 2002)

Min _____	kg _____	mo. _____	yr. _____	Tanner Stage _____
Max _____	kg _____	mo. _____	yr. _____	Tanner Stage _____

Reason(s) for deferral:

- Products in this class for this indication have been studied/labeled for pediatric population
- Disease/condition does not exist in children
- Too few children with disease to study
- There are safety concerns
- Adult studies ready for approval
- Formulation needed
- Other: _____

Date studies are due (mm/dd/yy): 12/31/2003

If studies are completed, proceed to Section D. Otherwise, this Pediatric Page is complete and should be entered into DFS.

Section D: Completed Studies

Age/weight range of completed studies:

Min _____	kg _____	mo. _____	yr. _____	Tanner Stage _____
Max _____	kg _____	mo. _____	yr. _____	Tanner Stage _____

Comments:

If there are additional indications, please copy the fields above and complete pediatric information as directed. If there are no other indications, this Pediatric Page is complete and should be entered into DFS.

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NDA/EFFICACY SUPPLEMENT ACTION PACKAGE CHECKLIST

NDA# <u>21-266</u> <u>21-267</u>		
Drug <u>Vfend™ (Voriconazole) Tablets and IV</u> Applicant <u>Pfizer</u>		
RPM <u>Jouhayna S. Saliba</u>		Phone <u>301-827-2127</u>
505(b)(1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> _____		
505(b)(2) Reference listed drug _____		
<input type="checkbox"/> Fast Track	<input type="checkbox"/> Rolling Review	Review priority: Class I resubmission
Pivotal IND(s) _____		
Application classifications:		PDUFA Goal Dates:
Chem Class <u>1S</u>		Primary <u>05/24/02</u>
Other (e.g., orphan, OTC) _____		Secondary <u>05/24/02</u>

Arrange package in the following order:

Indicate N/A (not applicable), X (completed), or add a comment.

GENERAL INFORMATION:

- ◆ User Fee Information: User Fee Paid N/A(resubmission)
- User Fee Waiver (attach waiver notification letter) _____
- User Fee Exemption _____

Action Letters

X AP AE NA

◆ Labeling & Labels

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| FDA revised labeling and reviews..... | X |
| Original proposed labeling (package insert, patient package insert) | X |
| Other labeling in class (most recent 3) or class labeling..... | X |
| Has DDMAC reviewed the labeling? | X Yes (include review) <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| Immediate container and carton labels | X |
| Nomenclature review | X |

- ◆ Application Integrity Policy (AIP) Applicant is on the AIP. This application is X is not on the AIP.

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| Exception for review (Center Director's memo)..... | N/A |
| OC Clearance for approval..... | N/A |

◆ Status of advertising (if AP action) <input type="checkbox"/> Reviewed (for Subpart H – attach review)	X Materials requested in AP letter
◆ Post-marketing Commitments	_____
Agency request for Phase 4 Commitments.....	_____
Copy of Applicant's commitments	_____ X _____
◆ Was Press Office notified of action (for approval action only)?.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Copy of Press Release or Talk Paper.....	_____
◆ Patent	
Information [505(b)(1)]	_____ X _____
Patent Certification [505(b)(2)].....	_____ N/A _____
Copy of notification to patent holder [21 CFR 314.50 (i)(4)].....	_____ N/A _____
◆ Exclusivity Summary	_____ X _____
◆ Debarment Statement	_____ X _____
◆ Financial Disclosure	
No disclosable information	_____
Disclosable information – indicate where review is located (page 26 of the Medical Officer's review on invasive aspergillosis)	_____ X _____
◆ Correspondence/Memoranda/Faxes	_____ X _____
◆ Minutes of Meetings	_____ X _____
Date of EOP2 Meeting <u>6/24/96 and 2/25/98</u>	
Date of pre NDA Meeting <u>7/26/00</u>	
Date of pre-AP Safety Conference <u>11/9/01</u>	
◆ Advisory Committee Meeting	_____ X _____
Date of Meeting	_____ 10/04/01 _____
Questions considered by the committee	_____ X _____
Minutes or 48-hour alert or pertinent section of transcript	_____ X _____
◆ Federal Register Notices, DESI documents	_____ X _____

CLINICAL INFORMATION:

Indicate N/A (not applicable), X (completed), or add a comment.

◆ Summary memoranda (e.g., Office Director's memo, Division Director's memo, Group Leader's memo)	_____ X _____
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PRECLINICAL PHARM/TOX INFORMATION:

**Indicate N/A (not applicable),
X (completed), or add a
comment.**

- ◆ Pharm/Tox review(s) and memoranda X
- ◆ Memo from DSI regarding GLP inspection (if any) N/A
- ◆ Statistical review(s) of carcinogenicity studies N/A
- ◆ CAC/ECAC report N/A

NDA/EFFICACY SUPPLEMENT ACTION PACKAGE CHECKLIST

NDAs _____	21-266 & 21-267 for the indications of invasive aspergillosis and fungal pathogens to include <i>Scedosporium apiospermum</i> and <i>Fusarium</i> species
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Drug <u>Vfend™ (Voriconazole) Tablets and IV</u> Applicant <u>Pfizer</u>	
RPM <u>Jouhayna S. Saliba</u> Phone <u>301-827-2127</u>	
505(b)(1) <u>X</u> 505(b)(2) Reference listed drug <u>Voriconazole</u>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Fast Track <input type="checkbox"/> Rolling Review Review priority: <u>X</u> S <u> </u> P <u> </u>	
Pivotal IND(s) _____	
Application classifications: PDUFA Goal Dates:	
Chem Class <u>1S</u> Primary <u>12/17/01</u>	
Other (e.g., orphan, OTC) _____ Secondary <u>02/17/02</u>	

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GENERAL INFORMATION:

- ◆ User Fee Information: User Fee Paid X
- User Fee Waiver (attach waiver notification letter) _____
- User Fee Exemption _____

Action Letters 1) AE for the indication of invasive aspergillosis and fungal pathogens to include *Scedosporium apiospermum* and *Fusarium* species. 2) AE for the indication of esophageal candidiasis 3) NA for the empiric antifungal therapy in febrile neutropenic patients . AP X AE X NA

- ◆ Labeling & Labels
- FDA revised labeling and reviews..... X
- Original proposed labeling (package insert, patient package insert) X
- Other labeling in class (most recent 3) or class labeling..... X
- Has DDMAC reviewed the labeling? X Yes (include review) No
- Immediate container and carton labels X
- Nomenclature review X

- ◆ Application Integrity Policy (AIP) Applicant is on the AIP. This application is X is not on the AIP.
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 OC Clearance for approval..... N/A
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 Agency request for Phase 4 Commitments..... N/A
 Copy of Applicant's commitments N/A
- ◆ Was Press Office notified of action (for approval action only)?..... Yes No
 Copy of Press Release or Talk Paper..... N/A
- ◆ Patent
 Information [505(b)(1)] X
 Patent Certification [505(b)(2)]..... N/A
 Copy of notification to patent holder [21 CFR 314.50 (i)(4)]..... N/A
- ◆ Exclusivity Summary N/A
- ◆ Debarment Statement X
- ◆ Financial Disclosure
 No disclosable information X
 Disclosable information – indicate where review is located (page 22 of the Medical Officer's review on invasive aspergillosis) X
- ◆ Correspondence/Memoranda/Faxes X
- ◆ Minutes of Meetings X
 Date of EOP2 Meeting 6/24/96 and 2/25/98
 Date of pre NDA Meeting 7/26/00
 Date of pre-AP Safety Conference 11/9/01
- ◆ Advisory Committee Meeting X
 Date of Meeting 10/04/01
 Questions considered by the committee X
 Minutes or 48-hour alert or pertinent section of transcript
- ◆ Federal Register Notices, DESI documents X

CLINICAL INFORMATION:

Indicate N/A (not applicable),
X (completed), or add a
comment.

- ◆ Summary memoranda (e.g., Office Director's memo, Division Director's memo, Group Leader's memo) _____
- ◆ Clinical review(s) and memoranda X
- ◆ Safety Update review(s) _____
- ◆ Pediatric Information
 - Waiver/partial waiver (Indicate location of rationale for waiver) Deferred Pediatric Page..... N/A
 - Pediatric Exclusivity requested? Denied Granted Not Applicable
- ◆ Statistical review(s) and memoranda X
- ◆ Biopharmaceutical review(s) and memoranda..... X
- ◆ Abuse Liability review(s) N/A
 Recommendation for scheduling N/A
- ◆ Microbiology (efficacy) review(s) and memoranda X
- ◆ DSI Audits N/A
 Clinical studies bioequivalence studies

CMC INFORMATION:

Indicate N/A (not applicable),
X (completed), or add a
comment.

- ◆ CMC review(s) and memoranda X
- ◆ Statistics review(s) and memoranda regarding dissolution and/or stability N/A
- ◆ DMF review(s) X
- ◆ Environmental Assessment review/FONSI/Categorical exemption ...(They qualify for categorical exclusion, see Chemistry review)..... X
- ◆ Micro (validation of sterilization) review(s) and memoranda X
- ◆ Facilities Inspection (include EES report)
 - Date completed 21-266 May 29, 2001 X Acceptable for tablets X Not Acceptable for IV
 - 21-267 November 14, 2001

◆ Methods ValidationRequested (see Completed Not Completed
Chemistry review).....

PRECLINICAL PHARM/TOX INFORMATION:

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comment.

- ◆ Pharm/Tox review(s) and memoranda X
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USER FEE VALIDATION SHEET

NDA # 21-267 Supp. Type & # N 000 UFID # 3944
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3. YES NO SMALL BUSINESS EXEMPTION

4. YES NO WAIVER GRANTED

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7. P S PRIORITY or STANDARD APPLICATION?

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
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Expiration Date: 04-30-01

USER FEE COVER SHEET

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<p>1. APPLICANT'S NAME AND ADDRESS Pfizer Global Research and Development Eastern Point Road Groton, CT 06340</p>	<p>3. PRODUCT NAME VFEND (voriconazole) IV</p> <p>4. DOES THIS APPLICATION REQUIRE CLINICAL DATA FOR APPROVAL? IF YOUR RESPONSE IS "NO" AND THIS IS FOR A SUPPLEMENT, STOP HERE AND SIGN THIS FORM.</p> <p>IF RESPONSE IS "YES", CHECK THE APPROPRIATE RESPONSE BELOW:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> THE REQUIRED CLINICAL DATA ARE CONTAINED IN THE APPLICATION</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> THE REQUIRED CLINICAL DATA ARE SUBMITTED BY REFERENCE TO _____ (APPLICATION NO. CONTAINING THE DATA). (Data also contained in NDA N021266)</p>
<p>2. TELEPHONE NUMBER (Include Area Code) (212) 733-5688</p>	
<p>5. USER FEE I.D. NUMBER 3944</p>	<p>6. LICENSE NUMBER / NDA NUMBER N021267</p>

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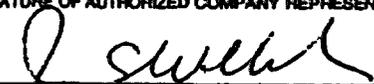
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REQUEST FOR CONSULTATION

Division/Office) HFD-805 (Peter Conroy)		FROM: HFD-540		
DATE 12/11/00	IND NO.	NDA NO. 21-267	TYPE OF DOCUMENT NDA	DATE OF DOCUMENT Nov. 17, 00
NAME OF DRUG Voriconazole	PRIORITY CONSIDERATION Standard	CLASSIFICATION OF DRUG anti-fungal		DESIRED COMPLETION DATE 6/1/01
NAME OF FIRM Pfizer				

REASON FOR REQUEST

I. GENERAL

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V. SCIENTIFIC INVESTIGATIONS

CLINICAL
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COMMENTS/SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS (Attach additional sheets if necessary)

Micro sterility consult on NDA 21-267
 To get to EDR.
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 then you can access the CMC section from there.
 If you have any questions. please call me at (72423)

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE
FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION

REQUEST FOR CONSULTATION

TO (Division/Office): **HFD-550 (Dr. Chambers)**

FROM: **HFD-590 (Dr. Tiernan)**

DATE
February 16, 2001

IND NO.

NDA Nos. **21-266**
21-267

TYPE OF DOCUMENTS **N**

DATE OF DOCUMENTS
November 17, 2000

NAME OF DRUG
Vfend (voriconazole) Tablets
Vfend (voriconazole) IV

PRIORITY CONSIDERATION

CLASSIFICATION OF DRUG

DESIRED COMPLETION DATE
June 17, 2001

NAME OF FIRM: **Pfizer Global Research & Development**

REASON FOR REQUEST

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V. SCIENTIFIC INVESTIGATIONS

CLINICAL

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COMMENTS/SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:

Please see attached memo from Dr. Tiernan.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION		REQUEST FOR CONSULTATION		
TO (Division/Office): OPDRA		FROM: Cheryl Dixon/Diana Willard HFD-590 (Division of Special Pathogen and Immunologic Drug Products)		
DATE: Feb. 26, 2001	IND NO.:	NDA NOs.: 21-266 21-267	TYPE OF DOCUMENTS: NDA's	DATE OF DOCUMENTS: Nov. 17, 2000
NAME OF DRUG: Vfend (voriconazole)		PRIORITY CONSIDERATION:	CLASSIFICATION OF DRUG: Anti-Fungal	DESIRED COMPLETION DATE:
NAME OF FIRM: Pfizer				
REASON FOR REQUEST				
I. GENERAL				
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V. SCIENTIFIC INVESTIGATIONS				
<input type="checkbox"/> CLINICAL		<input type="checkbox"/> PRECLINICAL		
COMMENTS/SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: This NDA, recently submitted to the Division, contains a historically controlled study for the indication of invasive aspergillosis. Our statistician would like the following 2 questions answered: 1. Have the usual biases associated with historical controls been adequately addressed in the design and conduct of Protocol A1501003? 2. Are the two study populations, Protocol 150-304 and Protocol A1501003, comparable? If so, what conclusions can be drawn? The Division appreciates OPDRA's willingness to assist us in analyzing another historically controlled study. An epidemiologist's perspective would greatly enhance our ability to interpret the data. Should OPDRA's				

epidemiologist have any specific questions, please don't hesitate to contact:

Cheryl Dixon (Statistician Reviewer) 301-827-2213

Karen Higgins (Stats Team Leader) 301-827-2171

Rose Tiernan (Medical Officer reviewer) 301-827-2375

Marc Cavaille-Coll (Medical Officer Team Leader) 301-827-2414

SIGNATURE OF REQUESTER:

Diana Willard March 1, 2001

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Diana Willard
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REQUEST FOR CONSULTATION

Division/Office: OPDRA

FROM: Division of Special Pathogen and Immunologic
Drug Products HFD-590

DATE: November 9, 2000	IND NO.: _____	NDA NO: 21-266/21-267	TYPE OF DOCUMENT : Trade name consult request	DATE OF DOCUMENT: November 9, 2000
NAME OF DRUG: Voriconazole		PRIORITY CONSIDERATION:	CLASSIFICATION OF DRUG: Anti-fungal	DESIRED COMPLETION DATE: February 2001
NAME OF FIRM: Pfizer				

REASON FOR REQUEST

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V. SCIENTIFIC INVESTIGATIONS

<input type="checkbox"/> CLINICAL	<input type="checkbox"/> PRECLINICAL
COMMENTS/SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: Trade name review: LNC committee approved VFEND July 1999. (Pfizer's preference is V-FEND. NDA is expected to come in end of November.	
SIGNATURE OF REQUESTER: Jouhayna Saliba	METHOD OF DELIVERY (Check one): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> E-MAIL <input type="checkbox"/> HAND

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IND 10
Matthew Bacho

REQUEST FOR TRADEMARK REVIEW

To: Labeling and Nomenclature Committee
Attention: Dan Boring, Chair (HFD-530), 9201 Corporate Blvd, Room S447

From: Division of Special Pathogen and Immunologic Drug Products	HFD-590
Attention: Matthew Bacho	Phone: (301) 827-2127
Date: July 2, 1999	
Subject: Request for Assessment of a Trademark for a Proposed New Drug Product	
Proposed Trademark: VFEND (V-FEND)	NDA/ANDA# IND
Established name, including dosage form: Voriconazole (Oral and I.V., respectively)	
Other trademarks by the same firm for companion products: N/A	
Indications for Use (may be a summary if proposed statement is lengthy): Triazole Antifungal Agent	
Initial Comments from the submitter (concerns, observations, etc.): Their strong preference is for "VFEND" but they would appreciate consideration of "V-FEND".	

Note: Meetings of the Committee are scheduled for the 4th Tuesday of the month. Please submit this form at least one week ahead of the meeting. Responses will be as timely as possible.

cc: Original IND _____ : HFD-590/division file; HFD-590/Matthew Bacho/Gene Holbert

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CONSULT # 1233 HFD# 590 PROPOSED PROPRIETARY NAME: PROPOSED ESTABLISHED NAME:
 ATTENTION: Matthew Bacho VFEND voriconazole
 RE: NSA/IND #

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A. Look-alike/Sound-alike

Potential for confusion:

DeFEN LA	XXX	Low	Medium	High
		Low	Medium	High
		Low	Medium	High
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B. Misleading Aspects:

C. Other Concerns:

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D. Established Name

Satisfactory
 Unsatisfactory/Reason

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Recommended Established Name

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E. Proprietary Name Recommendations:

ACCEPTABLE UNACCEPTABLE

F. Signature of Chair/Date

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**ESTABLISHMENT EVALUATION REQUEST
SUMMARY REPORT**

BROOKLYN, NY 11206

Profile: CTL OAI Status: NONE
Last Milestone: OC RECOMMENDATION
Milestone Date: 08-MAR-2001
Decision: ACCEPTABLE
Reason: DISTRICT RECOMMENDATION

Profile: TCM OAI Status: NONE
Last Milestone: OC RECOMMENDATION
Milestone Date: 08-MAR-2001
Decision: ACCEPTABLE
Reason: DISTRICT RECOMMENDATION

**Responsibilities: FINISHED DOSAGE
MANUFACTURER
FINISHED DOSAGE PACKAGER
FINISHED DOSAGE RELEASE
TESTER
FINISHED DOSAGE STABILITY
TESTER**

Establishment: 9610425
PFIZER LTD
CT139NJ
SANDWICH, KENT, UK

DMF No:
AADA No:

Profile: CRU OAI Status: NONE
Last Milestone: OC RECOMMENDATION
Milestone Date: 30-NOV-2000
Decision: ACCEPTABLE
Reason: DISTRICT RECOMMENDATION

Responsibilities: INTERMEDIATE MANUFACTURER

Establishment: 9611016
PFIZER PHARMACEUTICALS INC

RINGASKIDDY, COUNTY CORK, EI

DMF No: _____
AADA No:

Profile: CSN OAI Status: NONE
Last Milestone: OC RECOMMENDATION
Milestone Date: 24-MAY-2001
Decision: ACCEPTABLE
Reason: DISTRICT RECOMMENDATION

**Responsibilities: DRUG SUBSTANCE
MANUFACTURER
DRUG SUBSTANCE RELEASE
TESTER**

**ESTABLISHMENT EVALUATION REQUEST
SUMMARY REPORT**

Decision: ACCEPTABLE
Reason: BASED ON PROFILE

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DMF No:
AADA No:

Profile: CTL **OAI Status: NONE**
Last Milestone: OC RECOMMENDATION
Milestone Date: 12-FEB-2001
Decision: ACCEPTABLE
Reason: DISTRICT RECOMMENDATION

Responsibilities: FINISHED DOSAGE RELEASE
TESTER
FINISHED DOSAGE STABILITY
TESTER

Establishment: 9610425
PFIZER LTD
CT139NJ
SANDWICH, KENT, UK

DMF No:
AADA No:

Profile: CRU **OAI Status: NONE**
Last Milestone: OC RECOMMENDATION
Milestone Date: 30-NOV-2000
Decision: ACCEPTABLE
Reason: DISTRICT RECOMMENDATION

Responsibilities: INTERMEDIATE MANUFACTURER

Establishment: 9611016
PFIZER PHARMACEUTICALS INC

RINGASKIDDY, COUNTY CORK, EI

DMF No: _____
AADA No:

Profile: CSN **OAI Status: NONE**
Last Milestone: OC RECOMMENDATION
Milestone Date: 24-MAY-2001
Decision: ACCEPTABLE
Reason: DISTRICT RECOMMENDATION

Responsibilities: DRUG SUBSTANCE
MANUFACTURER
DRUG SUBSTANCE RELEASE
TESTER

CONSULTATION RESPONSE
Office of Post-Marketing Drug Risk Assessment
(OPDRA; HFD-400)

DATE RECEIVED: 6/28/01

DUE DATE: 8/17/01

OPDRA CONSULT: 01-0139

TO:

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HFD-590

THROUGH:

Jouhayna Saliba
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HFD-590

PRODUCT NAME:

_____ (Voriconazole)
50 mg and 200 mg Film-coated Tablets; Lyophilized
Powder for Injection

MANUFACTURER: Pfizer, Inc.

NDA #: 21-266/21-267

SAFETY EVALUATOR: Jennifer Fan, Pharm.D.

SUMMARY: In response to a consult from the Division of Special Pathogen and Immunologic Drug Products (HFD-590), OPDRA conducted a review of the proposed proprietary name _____ " to determine the potential for confusion with approved proprietary and established names as well as pending names.

OPDRA RECOMMENDATION:

OPDRA does not recommend the use of the proprietary name, _____

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HFD-400; Rm. 15B32
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research

PROPRIETARY NAME REVIEW

DATE OF REVIEW: July 27, 2001
NDA NUMBERS: 21-266/21-267
NAME OF DRUG: (Voriconazole), 50 mg and 200 mg Film-coated Tablets; Lyophilized Powder for Solution for Infusion
NDA HOLDER: Pfizer, Inc.

I. INTRODUCTION:

This consult was written in response to a request from the Division of Special Pathogen and Immunologic Drug Products (HFD-590) for assessment of the tradename ' ', regarding potential name confusion with other proprietary/generic drug names. The sponsor's prior tradename submissions for this product ("VFEND" and "V-FEND") were found unacceptable by OPDRA on February 20, 2001 (see OPDRA Consult 00-0318).

PRODUCT INFORMATION

 (voriconazole) is a broad-spectrum, triazole antifungal agent that is indicated for the treatment of invasive aspergillosis, serious *Candida* infections, serious fungal infections, and empirical treatment of presumed fungal infections in febrile immunocompromised patients. is available as a 50 mg and 200 mg film-coated tablet as well as a sterile lyophilized powder equivalent to 200 mg voriconazole in a single use vial for intravenous infusion. The film-coated tablets should be taken at least one hour before, or one hour following, a meal. VFEND/V-FEND I.V. for infusion requires reconstitution and dilution prior to administration as an infusion, at a maximum rate of 3 mg/kg per hour over 1-2 hours. See chart below for dosing information.

	INTRAVENOUS	ORAL	
		Patients 40 kg and above	Patients less than 40 kg
Loading Dose Regimen (1 st 24 hrs)	Two doses of 6 mg/kg 12 hrs apart	Two doses of 400mg 12 hrs apart	Two doses of 200 mg 12 hrs apart
Maintenance Dose (after 1 st 24 hrs)	3 mg/kg every 12 hrs	200 mg every 12 hrs	100 mg every 12 hrs

II. RISK ASSESSMENT:

The medication error staff of OPDRA conducted a search of several standard published drug product reference texts^{1,2,3} as well as several FDA databases⁴ for existing drug names which sound alike or

¹ MICROMEDEX Healthcare Intranet Series, 2000, MICROMEDEX, Inc., 6200 South Syracuse Way, Suite 300, Englewood, Colorado 80111-4740, which includes the following published texts: DrugDex, Poisindex, Martindale (Parfitt K

look alike to _____ to a degree where potential confusion between drug names could occur under the usual clinical practice settings. A search of the electronic online version of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's Text and Image Database⁵ and data provided by Thomson & Thomson's SAEGIS™ Online Service⁶ were also conducted. An expert panel discussion was conducted to review all findings from the searches. In addition, OPDRA conducted three prescription analysis studies consisting of two written prescription studies (inpatient and outpatient) and one verbal prescription study, involving health care practitioners within FDA. This exercise was conducted to simulate the prescription ordering process in order to evaluate potential errors in handwriting and verbal communication of the name.

A. EXPERT PANEL DISCUSSION

An Expert Panel discussion was held by OPDRA to gather professional opinions on the safety of the proprietary name "_____. Potential concerns regarding drug marketing and promotion related to the proposed name were also discussed. This group is composed of OPDRA Medication Errors Prevention Staff and representation from the Division of Drug Marketing and Advertising Communications (DDMAC). The group relies on their clinical and other professional experiences and a number of standard references when making a decision on the acceptability of a proprietary name.

The Expert Panel had concerns with the "vor" ending of _____, which may sound-alike and look-alike to names ending in "cor" and "clor". Several product names were identified in the Expert Panel Discussion that were thought to have potential for confusion with _____ These products are listed in Table 1, along with the dosage forms available and usual FDA-approved dosage.

Table 1

Zocor	Simvastatin (HMG-CoA Reductase Inhibitor – Rx) Tablet: 5 mg, 10 mg, 20 mg, 40 mg, and 80 mg	Initial: 20 mg once a day in the evening. Dose range: 5 to 80 mg/day.	S/A, L/A per OPDRA
Asacol	Mesalamine (Gastrointestinal – Rx) Tablet: 400 mg (delayed-release)	800 mg three times a day for 6 weeks.	S/A, L/A per OPDRA

(Ed), Martindale: The Complete Drug Reference. London: Pharmaceutical Press. Electronic version.), Index Nominum, and PDR/Physician's Desk Reference (Medical Economics Company Inc, 2000).

² American Drug Index, 42nd Edition, online version, Facts and Comparisons, St. Louis, MO.

³ Facts and Comparisons, online version, Facts and Comparisons, St. Louis, MO.

⁴ The Established Evaluation System [EES], the Labeling and Nomenclature Committee [LNC] database of Proprietary name consultation requests, New Drug Approvals 98-00, and the electronic online version of the FDA Orange Book.

⁵ WWW location <http://www.uspto.gov/tmdb/index.html>.

⁶ WWW location <http://www.thomson-thomson.com>.

Cozaar	Losartan Potassium (Angiotensin II Receptor Antagonists - Rx) Tablet: 25 mg, 50 mg, 100 mg	Initial: 50 mg once daily. Can be given once or twice daily with total dose range from 25 mg to 100 mg.	L/A per OPDRA
Azmacort	Triamcinolone Acetonide (Corticosteroid - Rx) Aerosol: 100 mcg per actuation from mouthpiece	2 inhalations (200 mcg) 3 to 4 times a day or 4 inhalations (400 mcg) twice daily.	S/A per OPDRA
		*Frequently used, not all-inclusive	**S/A(Sound-alike), L/A(Look-alike)

B. PRESCRIPTION ANALYSIS STUDIES

1. Methodology:

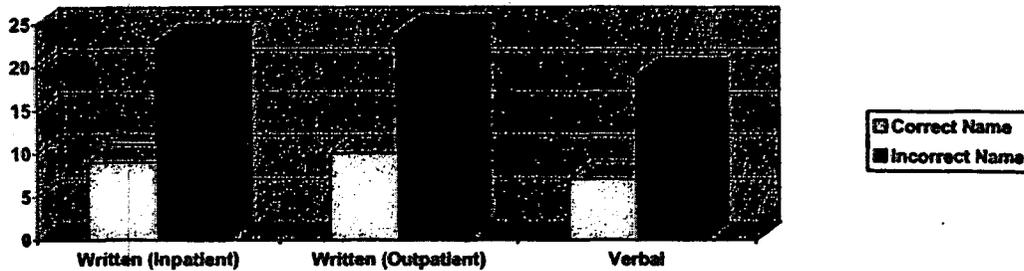
Studies were conducted within FDA for the proposed proprietary name to determine the degree of confusion of ' ' and with other U.S. drug names due to similarity in visual appearance with handwritten prescriptions or verbal pronunciation of the drug name. These studies employed a total of 117 health care professionals (nurses, pharmacists, and physicians). This exercise was conducted in an attempt to simulate the prescription ordering process. An OPDRA staff member wrote one inpatient prescription and one outpatient prescription, each consisting of a combination of marketed and unapproved drug products and prescriptions for (see below). These written prescriptions were optically scanned and one prescription was delivered via e-mail to each study participant. In addition, one OPDRA staff member recorded a verbal outpatient prescription that was then delivered to a group of study participants via telephone voicemail. Each reviewer was then requested to provide an interpretation of the prescription via e-mail.

<i>Inpatient:</i> <u> </u> 200 mg over 1-2 hr q 12h <i>Outpatient:</i> <u> </u> 50 mg Sig: ii po q 12 ^o #60	<i>Outpatient:</i> <u> </u> 50 mg Take 2 by mouth every 12 hours. #60
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2. Results:

Results of these exercises are summarized below:

	39	32 (82%)	9 (28%)	23 (72%)
	39	34 (87%)	10 (29%)	24 (71%)
	39	26 (67%)	7 (27%)	19 (73%)
	117	92 (79%)	26 (28%)	66 (72%)



Among the written inpatient prescriptions, 23 (72%) out of 32 respondents interpreted _____ incorrectly. Interpretations included *Azanor, Azavron, Aganor, Aravon, Avavor, Azarron, Aprovor, Ajovron, Avarron, Azonor, Avamor, Afaron, Afavor, Azaror, Azaron, Aravvor, Azavro, Azamor, and Ajavor.*

Among the written outpatient prescriptions, 24 (71%) out of 34 respondents interpreted _____ incorrectly. Twenty (59%) respondents interpreted _____ as *Azacor*. **Two** (6%) respondents interpreted _____ as *Cozaar*. Other interpretations included *Azacol* (3%) and *Azavoi* (3%).

Among the verbal outpatient prescriptions, 19 (73%) out of 26 respondents interpreted _____ incorrectly. Interpretations included *Effavor, Efavor, Esavor, Azavar, Affayfor, Evasor, Evaphor, Avavor, Azevor, Azabor, Azavon, Azamor, Evavior, Ezaphor, SS4, Afavore, and Eefavor.*

C. SAFETY EVALUATOR RISK ASSESSMENT

In reviewing the proprietary name _____, the primary concerns raised were related to sound-alike, look-alike names that already exist in the U.S. marketplace. Such drug proprietary names include *Azmacort, Zocor, Asacol, and Cozaar.*

Azmacort is the proprietary name for triamcinolone acetate inhaler and is indicated for the maintenance of asthma as prophylactic therapy. *Azmacort* sounds similar to _____ since the "azma" and "aza" and also the "cor" and "vor" sound alike, respectively. However, *Azmacort* is supplied as an inhaler where it administers 100 mcg per actuation while _____ is available as a 50 mg and 200 mg tablet and 10 mg/mL (20 mL) vial. The dosage forms of these two drug products are different (aerosol vs. tablet vs. injection), different administration directions ("Take 2 puffs 3 to 4 times a day" vs. "Take 1 tablet (200 mg) every 12 hours" vs. "3 mg/kg every 12 hours"), and the strengths are different. These differences may decrease the potential risk of a medication error occurring between these two drug products.

Zocor is the proprietary drug name for simvastatin and is indicated in patients with coronary heart disease, hypercholesterolemia, and hyperlipidemia. *Zocor* and "_____ " do sound alike due to the similarities in pronunciation with "zocor" and "zavor", respectively. A practitioner may prescribe "an _____ prescription" where the practitioner dispensing the prescription may misinterpret it as "a *Zocor* prescription". Even when scripted, the "A" and the "z" in _____ can resemble an uppercase, scripted "Z" and the "v" can look like a "c" so that _____ ' would look similar to *Zocor*. (See below) *Zocor* is available as a 5 mg, 10 mg, 20 mg, 40 mg, and 80 mg tablet where _____ is available in a 50 mg and 200 mg tablet as well as a 200 mg lyophilized powder. Even though there are no exactly overlapping strengths, the 5 mg and 20 mg may be written as 5.0 mg and 20.0 mg with a trailing zero where the decimal point can be missed when reading the prescription. Both drug products have the same dosage form (tablet), the same route of administration (oral), and the same numbers in their strengths (50 mg and 200 mg vs. 5.0 mg and 20.0 mg). If a patient was given _____ instead of *Zocor*, the patient's coronary heart disease, hypercholesterolemia, and hyperlipidemia would not be adequately treated. Also, the patient would be exposed to unnecessary adverse effects such as hepatic toxicity, photophobia and/or blurring, color vision change, and rash. If the mistake was later discovered after administering the _____ " and the problem was corrected by administering the *Zocor* to the patient before the " _____ ' was out of the patient's system, a drug-drug interaction can occur between *Zocor* and the _____ *Zocor* belongs to a particular drug category, the *Statins*, where _____ is likely to increase the plasma concentration of statins that are metabolized by CYP3A4. An increased level of statins have been associated with myopathy. If *Zocor* was dispensed instead of _____ then the patient's serious fungal infection would not be treated. Also, the patient would experience unnecessary side effects such as abdominal pain, constipation, headaches, and asthenia. The patient would also be at risk for myopathy. *Zocor* is also rated as Pregnancy Category X. The fetus of a pregnant woman would be harmed if *Zocor* was inadvertently administered to a pregnant woman.

Writing Sample:

_____ 50 mg

50mg Zocor

5.0mg

_____ 50 mg

Zocor 5.0 mg

Asacol is the proprietary drug name for mesalamine and is indicated for the remission and treatment of mildly to moderately active ulcerative colitis. *Asacol* sounds quite similar to _____ ", but slightly resembles _____ " when scripted. The "Asa" and "Aza" sound alike as well as the "ol" and "or", respectively. Both drug products are also available in tablet form. *Asacol* is only available in 400 mg while _____ ' is available in 50 mg and 200 mg. Even though the strengths are different, a practitioner may disregard the strengths and dispense the wrong medication, especially when the names are similar and the practice setting is chaotic. For example, Cerebyx and Celebrex do not share the same strengths or dosage form; however, there have been reported cases of the name confusion. A practitioner may also adjust the amount of tablets given to satisfy the prescribed dosage. For example, a physician may prescribe "Asacol 400 mg; 2 tablets 3 times a day" where a practitioner may dispense ' _____ ' 200 mg; 4 tablets 3 times a day" giving the patient an overdose of ' _____ ' as well as the wrong medication. According to the written outpatient portion of the OPDRA study, 20 (59%) out of 34 respondents

interpreted _____ as *Azacor*. One respondent (3%) interpreted _____ as *Asacol*, which when phonetically said is *Asacol*. Another respondent who interpreted _____ correctly commented that ' _____ ' can be confused with *Asacol*. If a nurse gave a prescription over the phone to a pharmacist, the pharmacist can easily mistaken it for *Asacol*. If *Asacol* was given instead of _____, then the patient's fungal infection would not be treated. Also, the patient would experience unnecessary side effects such as headaches, bloody diarrhea, abdominal pains, and conjunctivitis. If _____ was given instead of *Asacol*, then the patient's ulcerative colitis would not be treated. Also, the patient would be exposed to unnecessary adverse effects such as hepatic toxicity, photophobia and/or blurring, color vision change, and rash.

Writing Sample:

Asacol

Asacol

Cozaar is proprietary drug name for losartan potassium and is indicated for the treatment of hypertension alone or in combination with other antihypertensive agents. Even though there are no sound-alike properties between *Cozaar* and ' _____ ' except for the "ar" and "or", respectively, they do look similar when scripted. (See below.) Like ' _____ ', *Cozaar* is available as a 50 mg tablet (also available in 25 mg and 100 mg) and can be dosed twice a day. These two drug products share the same route of administration (oral), the same dosage form (tablet), the same strength (50 mg), and the same dosing schedule (twice a day). Also, from the written outpatient portion of the OPDRA study, 2 (6%) out of 34 respondents interpreted _____ as *Cozaar*. Although there are limitations to the predictive value of the OPDRA studies, primarily due to sample size, we have acquired safety concerns due to the positive interpretations with these drug products. A positive finding in a study with a small sample size may indicate a high risk and potential for medication errors when extrapolated to the general U.S. population. If *Cozaar* was dispensed instead of _____, then the patient's fungal infection would not be treated. Also, the patient would be exposed to unnecessary side effects such as a persistent dry cough, hypotension, dizziness, fatigue, abdominal pain, chest pain, nausea, and headache. Also, *Cozaar* is rated in Pregnancy Category C (first trimester) and D (second and third trimesters). The fetus would be harmed if *Cozaar* was mistakenly given to a pregnant female. If _____ was given instead of *Cozaar*, then the patient's hypertension would not be controlled. Also, the patient would be exposed to unnecessary adverse effects such as hepatic toxicity, photophobia and/or blurring, color vision change, and rash.

Writing Sample:

50mg Cozaar 50mg

_____ 50 mg

Cozaar 50 mg

III. LABELING, PACKAGING, AND SAFETY RELATED ISSUES:

Please refer to OPDRA Consult 00-0318 for labeling and packaging recommendations.

IV. RECOMMENDATIONS:

OPDRA does not recommend the use of the proprietary name _____

OPDRA would appreciate feedback of the final outcome of this consult. We would be willing to meet with the Division for further discussion, if needed. If you have further questions or need clarifications, please contact Sammie Beam, R.Ph. at 301-827-3231.

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