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APPLICATION NUMBER

STN/BLA 125075/0

Chemistry Review(s)



CMC Review Data Sheet

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1. BLA# STN 125075/0

2. REVIEW #: 1

3. REVIEW DATE: 24-OCT-2003

4. REVIEWER: Steven Kozlowski, M.D.

5. COMMUNICATIONS AND PREVIOUS DOCUMENTS¹:

<u>Communications & Previous Documents</u>	<u>Document Date</u> ²
Pre-BLA Meeting	12-NOV-2002
Filing Review Letter Questions	03-MAR-2003
CMC Information Request	15-AUG-2003
CMC Questions	29-SEP-2003
T-com	08-MAY-2003
T-com	15-MAY-2003
T-com	05-JUN-2003
T-com	13-JUN-2003
T-com	07-OCT-2003

¹ Chronology of previous CMC communications between CDER and the firm and/or reviews

² Applicant's letter date or date of review and/or communication with applicant

³ For OBP – IR letter or action letter

6. SUBMISSION(S) BEING REVIEWED:.

<u>Submission(s) Reviewed</u>	<u>Document Date</u>
STN 125075/0 Original Submission	27-DEC-2003
STN 125075/0.011 Response to Filling Quest	25-MAR-2003
STN 125075/0.023 Labeling	19-MAY-2003
STN 125075/0.025 Stability Update	06-JUN-2003
STN 125075/0.038 Efficacy in Ab Positive Pt	04-AUG-2003
STN 125075/0.035 PAI 483 Responses	15-AUG-2003
STN 125075/0.041 Resp to CMC IR	29-AUG-2003
STN 125075/0.042 Stability Update	02-SEP-2003
STN 125075/0.043 Resp to CMC IR	02-SEP-2003
STN 125075/0.044 Resp to CMC IR	12-SEP-2003
STN 125075/0.049 Resp to CMC IR	03-OCT-2003
STN 125075/0.050 Resp to CMC IR	07-OCT-2003
STN 125075/0.051 Resp to 9/29/03 Quest	10-OCT-2003
STN 125075/0.055 Resp to 9/29/03 Quest	21-OCT-2003



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7. NAME & ADDRESS OF APPLICANT:

Name: Genentech, Inc.
Address: 1 DNA Way
South San Francisco, CA
Representative: Robert L. Garnick, Ph.D.
Telephone: 650-225-1202

8. DRUG PRODUCT NAME/CODE/TYPE:

- a) Proprietary Name: Raptiva
- b) Non-Proprietary Name (USAN): efalizumab
- c) Code names: G176CR
- d) Common name: anti-CD11a
- e) Drug Review Status: Standard
- f) Chemical Type: recombinant humanized monoclonal antibody

9. PHARMACOL. CATEGORY: therapeutic monoclonal antibody to CD11a

10. DOSAGE FORM: lyophilized powder for injection

11. STRENGTH/POTENCY:

- (i) Concentration of reconstituted product 100 mg/mL
- (ii) Potency is defined as _____ using a proprietary cell adhesion inhibition assay
- (iii) Dating period is 24 months when lyophilized, 8 hours post-reconstitution.

12. ROUTE OF ADMINISTRATION: subcutaneous injection

13. ACID (Animal Component Information Database)

Table 1 in Section 3.2.S.2.3.1 lists starting materials of biological origin. These materials and their countries of origin are listed below:

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* The Raw Material, _____ Prior to _____ the

The Marketing Authorization for the _____ is available upon request. This was reviewed on the PAI 6/16-27/03



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14. PRIMARY STRUCTURE, PHARMACOLOGICAL CATEGORY (Cytokine, MAb etc.),
MAIN SPECIES MOLECULAR WEIGHT (can be a range), HOST SOURCE, MAIN
GLYCOSYLATION STRUCTURE/S (or say Non-glycosylated): Efalizumab is a full length,
IgG1 kappa isotype antibody composed

with a total molecular weight of

approximately 150,000 daltons.

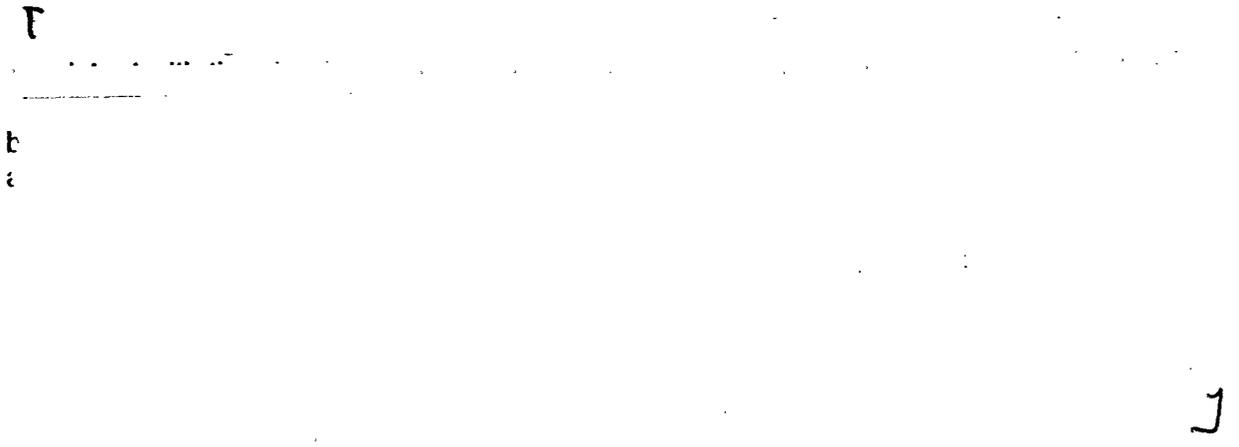


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15. RELATED/SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

A. DMFs:

DMF #	TYPE	HOLDER	ITEM REFERENCED	CODE ¹	STATUS ²	DATE REVIEW COMPLETED	COMMENTS
—	III	—	—	4	N/A		meets USP/Ph. Eur. standards
—	II	—	—	1	Adequate	21-OCT-1999	
—	II	—	—	1	Adequate	See consult	CDRH

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¹ Action codes for DMF Table:

1 – DMF Reviewed.

Other codes indicate why the DMF was not reviewed, as follows:

2 – Type 1 DMF

3 – Reviewed previously and no revision since last review

4 – Sufficient information in application

5 – Authority to reference not granted

6 – DMF not available

7 – Other (explain under "Comments")

² Adequate, Inadequate, or N/A (There is enough data in the application, therefore the DMF did not need to be reviewed)

The Chemistry Executive Summary

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I. Recommendations

A. Recommendation and Conclusion on Approvability

Raptiva (efalizumab) is manufactured using a well-controlled and validated process. From a CMC perspective, Raptiva should be approved for the treatment of adult patients (18 years or older) with chronic moderate to severe plaque psoriasis who are candidates for systemic therapy or phototherapy.

B. Recommendation on Phase 4 (Post-Marketing) Commitments, Agreements, and/or Risk Management Steps, if Approvable

- 1) The sponsor will commit to
- 2) The first full scale lot _____ protocol should be placed on full stability.
- 3) As part of the safety post-marketing clinical study, patients who develop inflammatory or other significant AE, such as arthritis, should be assessed for antibody responses to efalizumab at an appropriate interval post cessation of Raptiva. In addition any patient who shows an early response to Raptiva that is not sustained during therapy should also be assessed for antibody responses to efalizumab at an appropriate interval post cessation of Raptiva. [See clinical PMCs]
- 4) Develop an assay that can detect Raptiva neutralization by antibody responses to efalizumab and archive relevant samples for this assay. [See clinical PMCs]

II. Summary of Chemistry Assessments

A. Description of the Drug Product(s) and Drug Substance(s)

- A Raptiva vial contains 150 mg of efalizumab, 123.2 mg of sucrose, 6.8 mg of L-histidine hydrochloride monohydrate, 4.3 mg of L-histidine and 3 mg of polysorbate 20 and is designed to deliver 125 mg of efalizumab in 1.25 mL after reconstitution. Lot release assays suggest the drug product and drug substance are manufactured consistently.
- The drug substance, efalizumab, is a humanized IgG kappa monoclonal antibody isotype antibody. _____ Efalizumab binds with high affinity to CD11a, the α -subunit of lymphocyte function-associated antigen-1 (LFA-1), a β 2 integrin, and leads to LFA-1 down modulation. Efalizumab blocks the binding of LFA-1 to its ligand, intercellular adhesion molecule 1 (ICAM-1) and inhibits T-lymphocyte-mediated activation and functions such as migration. T-lymphocyte activation and migration play a role in the keratinocyte proliferation of Psoriasis. Efalizumab can also bind other leukocytes and its effects on lymphocytes are not

- 207 specific, thus it is immunosuppressive. Efalizumab does not lead to lymphocyte
 208 destruction through antibody effector functions.
- 209 • Efalizumab is produced in _____ process at _____
 210 using a _____ Chinese hamster ovary (CHO) _____ cell line.
 211 The efalizumab in _____
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 214 included in the process. The first lot _____ should be placed
 215 on stability [See Section 3.2.S.2.5 CMC IR question 25 follow up and I.B.(2)
 216 above]
 - 217 • The manufacturing process for efalizumab includes _____
 218 _____ and _____ The viral clearance
 219 studies have used a _____
 220 These have been validated by _____
 221 _____ Some additional data has been requested for one of the
 222 _____ to confirm the _____ [See Section 3.2.A.2 CMC IR
 223 question 57 follow up].
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 - 225 • Although _____ used in the manufacture of
 226 Raptiva, _____
 227 acceptance criteria help prevent product contamination. The sponsor uses
 228 _____ This is
 229 acceptable. Sponsors using _____ changing to alternative sources of
 230 _____ and this has been discussed with this sponsor regarding this product
 231 (pre-BLA meeting 12-NOV-02) and other of their products _____
 - 232 • Over the course of development, drug substance manufacturing was moved from
 233 XOMA to Genentech. This was associated with changes in _____
 234 _____ [BLA Section 3.2.S.2.6]. The changes
 235 led to some differences in product _____ and presence of
 236 _____ The formulation _____ was also changed
 237 _____ The product pharmacokinetics were
 238 altered with the manufacturing change. Similar pharmacodynamics, safety and
 239 efficacy in phase III studies allowed the experience with both manufactured
 240 products to be combined in support of this application.
 - 241 • Investigation of the observed pharmacokinetic differences by Genentech did not
 242 implicate _____ or formulation _____ as the primary cause. Although no
 243 data directly demonstrated _____
 244 pharmacokinetics, the specification for a _____ of efalizumab was
 245 modified to increase control of product _____ [STN
 246 125075/0.021].
 - 247 • Raptiva _____ was validated with _____ however they were not done
 248 at full capacity. Since manufacturing will be primarily performed at full capacity
 249 and a full load places more _____ additional full
 250 load data was provided and the sponsor committed to performing an additional
 251 full load validation studies distributed between the _____ used in
 252 manufacturing. [See DMPQ review and I.B.(1) above]

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- The sponsor suggested broad acceptance criteria for a number of stability indicating and general assays. These were narrowed to better reflect Genentech's manufacturing experience and will be reassessed after _____ are manufactured.
- The immunogenicity assay may not be as sensitive as it could be since there may be residual serum levels of Raptiva at the time immunogenicity was evaluated (_____) that can interfere with the assay. Data provided by the sponsor suggest that even in the worst case, the sensitivity of the assay at _____ post last dose is equivalent to _____ ng/mL. This could be improved but is acceptable. Even though the clinical data suggest antibody positive patients responded as well as antibody negative patients, development of an assay to measure neutralizing antibody would be of value. This could be used to evaluate high titer samples from prior clinical studies and in post marketing studies. Development of an assay to assess neutralizing antibody should be a post marketing commitment. [See Section 5.3.1.4 CMC IR question 60 follow up and I.B.(3,4) above]

B. Description of Drug Product and how it is Intended to be Used

- Raptiva (efalizumab) for injection is provided in single-use stoppered vials as a lyophilized powder for reconstitution with 1.3 mL sterile water for injection (non-USP due to a broader pH range) provided in a pre-filled syringes. Each Raptiva vial contains 150 mg of efalizumab to deliver 125 mg in 1.25 mL. Raptiva is used at 1 mg/kg/week subcutaneously, after a first dose of 0.7 mg/kg, for the treatment of adult patients (18 years or older) with chronic moderate to severe plaque psoriasis who are candidates for systemic therapy or phototherapy. The lyophilized drug product has an expiration dating of 24 months at 2-8°C and can be used for 8 hours post reconstitution at room temperature.

C. Basis for Approvability or Not-Approval Recommendation

- Raptiva is manufactured by a robust process _____ Raptiva is manufactured consistently, leads to a safe and effective product, and should be approved.
- Post marketing commitments are described in the recommendation section above.

III. Administrative

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