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**Approval Package for:**

***APPLICATION NUMBER:***

**ANDA 077287**

**Name:** Prednicarbate Cream  
0.1% (Emollient)

**Sponsor:** Altana, Inc.

**Approval Date:** September 19, 2006

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**APPROVAL LETTER**

SEP 19 2006

ALTANA Inc  
Attention: Robert J. Anderson  
P.O.Box 2006  
Melville, NY 11747

Dear Sir:

This is in reference to your abbreviated new drug application (ANDA) dated September 23, 2004, submitted pursuant to Section 505(j) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (the Act), for Prednicarbate Cream, 0.1% (Emollient).

Reference is also made to your amendments dated January 27, and April 4, 2006.

We have completed the review of this ANDA and have concluded that the drug is safe and effective for use as recommended in the submitted labeling. Accordingly the ANDA is approved. The Division of Bioequivalence has determined your Prednicarbate Cream, 0.1% (Emollient) to be bioequivalent and, therefore, therapeutically equivalent to the listed drug (Dermatop of Sanofi Aventis US).

Under section 506A of the Act, certain changes in the conditions described in this ANDA require an approved supplemental application before the change may be made.

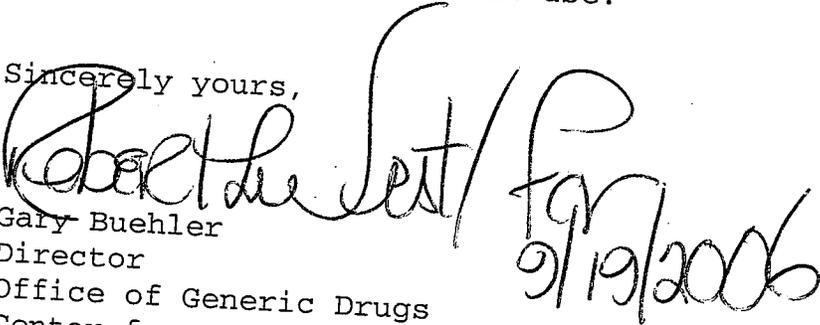
Postmarketing reporting requirements for this ANDA are set forth in 21 CFR 314.80-81 and 314.98. The Office of Generic Drugs should be advised of any change in the marketing status of this drug.

Promotional materials may be submitted to FDA for comment prior to publication or dissemination. Please note that these submissions are voluntary. If you desire comments on proposed launch promotional materials with respect to compliance with applicable regulatory requirements, we recommend you submit, in draft or mock-up form, two copies of both the promotional materials and package insert(s) directly 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

We call your attention to 21 CFR 314.81(b)(3) which requires that all promotional materials be submitted to the Division of Drug Marketing, Advertising, and Communications (HFD-42) with a completed Form FDA 2253 at the time of their initial use.

Sincerely yours,

  
Gary Buehler  
Director  
Office of Generic Drugs  
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research

9/19/2006

cc: ANDA 77-287  
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**LABELING**



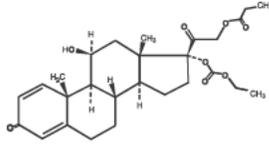
## PREDNICARBATE CREAM 0.1% (EMOLLIENT)

FOR DERMATOLOGIC USE ONLY.

**R**only

NOT FOR USE IN EYES.

**DESCRIPTION:** Prednicarbate cream 0.1% (emollient) contains prednicarbate, a synthetic corticosteroid for topical dermatologic use. The chemical name of prednicarbate is 11 $\beta$ ,17,21-trihydroxypregna-1,4-diene-3,20-dione 17-(ethyl carbonate) 21-propionate. Prednicarbate has the empirical formula C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>36</sub>O<sub>8</sub> and a molecular weight of 488.58. Topical corticosteroids constitute a class of primarily synthetic steroids used topically as anti-inflammatory and antipruritic agents. The CAS Registry Number is 73771-04-7. The chemical structure is:



Prednicarbate is a practically odorless white to yellow-white powder insoluble to practically insoluble in water and freely soluble in ethanol. Each gram of prednicarbate cream 0.1% (emollient) contains 1.0 mg of prednicarbate in a base consisting of white petrolatum, purified water, isopropyl myristate, lanolin alcohols, mineral oil, cetostearyl alcohol, aluminum stearate, edetate disodium, lactic acid, and magnesium stearate.

**CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY:** In common with other topical corticosteroids, prednicarbate has anti-inflammatory, antipruritic, and vasoconstrictive properties. In general, the mechanism of the anti-inflammatory activity of topical steroids is unclear. However, corticosteroids are thought to act by the induction of phospholipase A<sub>2</sub> inhibitory proteins, collectively called lipocortins. It is postulated that these proteins control the biosynthesis of potent mediators of inflammation such as prostaglandins and leukotrienes by inhibiting the release of their common precursor arachidonic acid. Arachidonic acid is released from membrane phospholipids by phospholipase A<sub>2</sub>.

**Pharmacokinetics:** The extent of percutaneous absorption of topical corticosteroids is determined by many factors, including the vehicle and the integrity of the epidermal barrier. Use of occlusive dressings with hydrocortisone for up to 24 hours have not been shown to increase penetration; however, occlusion of hydrocortisone for 96 hours does markedly enhance penetration. Topical corticosteroids can be absorbed from normal intact skin. Inflammation and/or other disease processes in the skin increase percutaneous absorption. Studies performed with prednicarbate cream 0.1% (emollient) indicate that the drug product is in the medium range of potency compared with other topical corticosteroids.

**INDICATIONS AND USAGE:** Prednicarbate cream 0.1% (emollient) is a medium-potency corticosteroid indicated for the relief of the inflammatory and pruritic manifestations of corticosteroid responsive dermatoses. Prednicarbate cream 0.1% (emollient) may be used with caution in pediatric patients 1 year of age or older. The safety and efficacy of drug use for longer than 3 weeks in this population have not been established. Since safety and efficacy of prednicarbate cream 0.1% (emollient) have not been established in pediatric patients below 1 year of age, its use in this age group is not recommended.

**CONTRAINDICATIONS:** Prednicarbate cream 0.1% (emollient) is contraindicated in those patients with a history of hypersensitivity to any of the components in the preparations.

**PRECAUTIONS: General:** Systemic absorption of topical corticosteroids can produce reversible hypothalamic-pituitary-adrenal (HPA) axis suppression with the potential for glucocorticosteroid insufficiency after withdrawal of treatment. Manifestations of Cushing's syndrome, hyperglycemia, and glucosuria can also be produced in some patients by systemic absorption of topical corticosteroids while on treatment. Patients applying a topical steroid to a large surface area or under occlusion should be evaluated periodically for evidence of HPA-axis suppression. This may be done by using the ACTH stimulation, A.M. plasma cortisol, and urinary free cortisol tests. Prednicarbate cream 0.1% (emollient) did not produce significant HPA-axis suppression when used at a dose of 30g/day for a week in 10 adult patients with extensive psoriasis or atopic dermatitis. Prednicarbate cream 0.1% (emollient) did not produce HPA-axis suppression in any of 59 pediatric patients with extensive atopic dermatitis when applied BID for 3 weeks to > 20% of the body surface. (See **PRECAUTIONS, Pediatric Use**). If HPA-axis suppression is noted, an attempt should be made to withdraw the drug, to reduce the frequency of the application, or to substitute a less potent corticosteroid. Recovery of HPA-axis function is generally prompt upon discontinuation of topical corticosteroids. Infrequently, signs and symptoms of glucocorticosteroid insufficiency may occur, requiring supplemental systemic corticosteroids. For information on systemic supplementation, see prescribing information for those products. Pediatric patients may be more susceptible to systemic toxicity from equivalent doses due to their larger skin surface to body mass ratios. (See **PRECAUTIONS, Pediatric Use**).

If irritation develops, prednicarbate cream 0.1% (emollient) should be discontinued and appropriate therapy instituted. Allergic contact dermatitis with corticosteroids is usually diagnosed by observing a failure to heal rather than noting a clinical exacerbation, as observed with most topical products not containing corticosteroids. Such an observation should be corroborated with appropriate diagnostic patch testing. If concomitant skin infections are present or develop, an appropriate antifungal or antibacterial agent should be used. If a favorable response does not occur promptly, use of prednicarbate cream 0.1% (emollient) should be discontinued until the infection has been adequately controlled.

### Information for Patients

Patients using topical corticosteroids should receive the following information and instructions:

1. This medication is to be used as directed by the physician. It is for external use only.  
Avoid contact with the eyes.
2. This medication should not be used for any disorder other than that for which it was prescribed.
3. The treated skin area should not be bandaged, otherwise covered or wrapped so as to be occlusive, unless directed by the physician.
4. Patients should report to their physician any signs of local adverse reactions.
5. Parents of pediatric patients should be advised not to use this medication in the treatment of diaper dermatitis. This medication should not be applied in the diaper area as diapers or plastic pants may constitute occlusive dressing (See **DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION**).
6. This medication should not be used on the face, underarms, or groin areas.

As with other corticosteroids, therapy should be discontinued when control is achieved. If no improvement is seen within two weeks, contact the physician.

**Laboratory Tests:** The following tests may be helpful in evaluating patients for HPA-axis suppression: ACTH stimulation test, AM plasma cortisol test, Urinary free cortisol test.

**Carcinogenesis, Mutagenesis, and Impairment of Fertility:** In a study of the effect of prednicarbate on fertility, pregnancy, and postnatal development in rats, no effect was noted on the fertility or pregnancy of the parent animals or postnatal development of the offspring after administration of up to 0.80 mg/kg of prednicarbate subcutaneously. Prednicarbate has been evaluated in the Salmonella reversion test (Ames test) over a wide range of concentrations in the presence and absence of an S-9 liver microsomal fraction, and did not demonstrate mutagenic activity. Similarly, prednicarbate did not produce any significant changes in the numbers of micronuclei seen in erythrocytes when mice were given doses ranging from 1 to 160 mg/kg of the drug.

**Pregnancy: Teratogenic Effects: Pregnancy Category C:** Corticosteroids have been shown to be teratogenic in laboratory animals when administered systemically at relatively low dosage levels. Some corticosteroids have been shown to be teratogenic after dermal application in laboratory animals. Prednicarbate has been shown to be teratogenic and embryotoxic in Wistar rats and Himalayan rabbits when given subcutaneously during gestation at doses 1900 times and 45 times the recommended topical human dose, assuming a percutaneous absorption of approximately 3%. In the rats, slightly retarded fetal development and an incidence of thickened and wavy ribs higher than the spontaneous rate were noted. In rabbits, increased liver weights and slight increase in the fetal intrauterine death rate were observed. The fetuses that were delivered exhibited reduced placental weight, increased frequency of cleft palate, ossification disorders in the sternum, omphalocele, and anomalous posture of the forelimbs. There are no adequate and well-controlled studies in pregnant women on teratogenic effects of prednicarbate. Prednicarbate cream 0.1% (emollient) should be used during pregnancy only if the potential benefit justifies the potential risk to the fetus.

**Nursing Mothers:** Systemically administered corticosteroids appear in human milk and could suppress growth, interfere with endogenous corticosteroid production, or cause other untoward effects. It is not known whether topical administration of corticosteroids could result in sufficient systemic absorption to produce detectable quantities in human milk. Because many drugs are excreted in human milk, caution should be exercised when prednicarbate cream 0.1% (emollient) is administered to a nursing woman.

**Pediatric Use:** Prednicarbate cream 0.1% (emollient) may be used with caution in pediatric patients 1 year of age or older, although the safety and efficacy of drug use longer than 3 weeks have not been established. The use of prednicarbate cream 0.1% (emollient) is supported by results of a three week, uncontrolled study in 59 pediatric patients between the ages of 4 months and 12 years of age with atopic dermatitis. None of the 59 pediatric patients showed evidence of HPA-axis suppression. Safety and efficacy of prednicarbate cream 0.1% (emollient) in pediatric patients below 1 year of age have not been established, therefore use in this age group is not recommended. Because of a higher ratio of skin surface area to body mass, pediatric patients are at a greater risk than adults of HPA-axis suppression and Cushing's syndrome when they are treated with topical corticosteroids. They are therefore also at greater risk of adrenal insufficiency during and/or after withdrawal of treatment. In an uncontrolled study in pediatric patients with atopic dermatitis, the incidence of adverse reactions possibly or probably associated with the use of prednicarbate cream 0.1% (emollient) was limited. Mild signs of atrophy developed in 5 patients (5/59, 8%) during the clinical trial, with 2 patients exhibiting more than one sign. Two patients (2/59, 3%) developed shininess, and two patients (2/59, 3%) developed thinness. Three patients (3/59, 5%) were observed with mild telangiectasia. It is unknown whether prior use of topical corticosteroids was a contributing factor in the development of telangiectasia in 2 of the patients. Adverse effects including striae have also been reported with inappropriate use of topical corticosteroids in infants and children. Pediatric patients applying topical corticosteroids to greater than 20% of body surface are at higher risk for HPA-axis suppression. HPA-axis suppression, Cushing's syndrome, linear growth retardation, delayed weight gain and intracranial hypertension have been reported in children receiving topical corticosteroids. Manifestations of adrenal suppression in children include low plasma cortisol levels, and absence of response to ACTH stimulation. Manifestations of intracranial hypertension include bulging fontanelles, headaches, and bilateral papilledema. Prednicarbate cream 0.1% (emollient) should not be used in the treatment of diaper dermatitis.

**ADVERSE REACTIONS:** In controlled adult clinical studies, the incidence of adverse reactions probably or possibly associated with the use of prednicarbate cream 0.1% (emollient) was approximately 4%. Reported reactions included mild signs of skin atrophy in 1% of treated patients, as well as the following reactions which were reported in less than 1% of patients: pruritis, edema, paresthesia, urticaria, burning, allergic contact dermatitis and rash. In an uncontrolled study in pediatric patients with atopic dermatitis, the incidence of adverse reactions possibly or probably associated with the use of prednicarbate cream 0.1% (emollient) was limited. Mild signs of atrophy developed in 5 patients (5/59, 8%) during the clinical trial, with 2 patients exhibiting more than one sign. Two patients (2/59, 3%) developed shininess, and 2 patients (2/59, 3%) developed thinness. Three patients (3/59, 5%) were observed with mild telangiectasia. It is unknown whether prior use of topical corticosteroids was a contributing factor in the development of telangiectasia in 2 of the patients. (See **PRECAUTIONS, Pediatric Use**). The following additional local adverse reactions have been reported infrequently with topical corticosteroids, but may occur more frequently with the use of occlusive dressings. These reactions are listed in an approximate decreasing order of occurrence: folliculitis, acneiform eruptions, hypopigmentation, perioral dermatitis, secondary infection, striae and miliaria.

**OVERDOSAGE:** Topically applied corticosteroids can be absorbed in sufficient amounts to produce systemic effects. (See **PRECAUTIONS**).  
**DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION:** Apply a thin film of prednicarbate cream 0.1% (emollient) to the affected skin areas twice daily. Rub in gently. Prednicarbate cream 0.1% (emollient) may be used in pediatric patients 1 year of age or older. Safety and efficacy of prednicarbate cream 0.1% (emollient) in pediatric patients for more than 3 weeks of use have not been established. Use in pediatric patients under 1 year of age is not recommended. As with other corticosteroids, therapy should be discontinued when control is achieved. If no improvement is seen within 2 weeks, reassessment of the diagnosis may be necessary. Prednicarbate cream 0.1% (emollient) should not be used with occlusive dressings unless directed by the physician. Prednicarbate cream 0.1% (emollient) should not be applied in the diaper area if the child still requires diapers or plastic pants as these garments may constitute occlusive dressing.

**HOW SUPPLIED:** Prednicarbate Cream 0.1% (Emollient) is supplied:

15 gram tube NDC 0168-0381-15  
60 gram tube NDC 0168-0381-60

Store between 20°- 25°C (68°-77°F), with excursions permitted to 15°-30°C (59°-86°F).[see USP Controlled Room Temperature].

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NDC 0168-0381-15

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**WARNING:** Keep out of reach of children.

**TO OPEN:** Use cap to puncture seal.

**IMPORTANT:** Do not use if seal has been punctured or is not visible.

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**R** only

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**NET WT 15 grams**

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See crimp of tube for Lot Number and Expiration Date.

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NDC 0168-0381-60

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**NET WT 60 grams**

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See crimp of tube for Lot Number and Expiration Date.

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IMPORTANT: The opening of this product is covered by a metal tamper-resistant seal. If this seal has been punctured or is not visible, do not use and return product to place of purchase.

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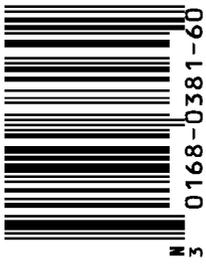
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**To close,** screw the cap back onto the tube.

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**LABELING REVIEWS**

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**REVIEW OF PROFESSIONAL LABELING #1  
DIVISION OF LABELING AND PROGRAM SUPPORT  
LABELING REVIEW BRANCH**

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ANDA Number: 77-287

Date of Submission: December 2, 2004

Applicant's Name: Altana Inc.

Established Name: Prednicarbate Cream, 0.1% (Emollient)

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**Labeling Deficiencies:**

**1. GENERAL COMMENT [ALL LABELING]**

The established name of this product is Prednicarbate Cream, 0.1 %. Please revise your labels and labeling accordingly. If you prefer, you may include "Emollient" after the established name as follows: "Prednicarbate Cream (Emollient)" or after the established name and strength "Prednicarbate Cream 0.1% (Emollient)".

2. **CONTAINER:** ( <sup>(b)(4)</sup> 15 gram, 60 gram tubes) - See general comment.
3. **CARTON:** (15 gram, 60 gram) - See general comment.
4. **INSERT:** See general comment

Please revise your labels and labeling, as instructed above, and submit each labeling piece in final print.

The electronic labeling rule published December 11, 2003, (68 FR 69009) requires submission of labeling content in electronic format effective June 8, 2004. For additional information, consult the following guidance for industry regarding electronic submissions: Providing Regulatory Submissions in Electronic Format — ANDAs (Issued 6/2002) (<http://www.fda.gov/cder/guidance/5004fnl.htm>). The guidance specifies labeling to be submitted in pdf format. To assist in our review, we request that labeling also be submitted in MS Word format.

Prior to approval, it may be necessary to revise your labeling subsequent to approved changes for the reference listed drug. In order to keep ANDA labeling current, we suggest that you subscribe to the daily or weekly updates of new documents posted on the CDER web site at the following address - <http://www.fda.gov/cder/cdernew/listserv.html> or <http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/scripts/cder/drugsatfda/index.cfm>

To facilitate review of your next submission, and in accordance with 21 CFR 314.94(a)(8)(iv), please provide a side-by-side comparison of your proposed labeling with your last submission with all differences annotated and explained.

  
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Wm Peter Rickman  
Director  
Division of Labeling and Program Support  
Office of Generic Drugs  
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research

**REVIEW OF PROFESSIONAL LABELING CHECK LIST**

Established Name	Yes	No	N.A.
Different name than on acceptance to file letter?		X	
Is this product a USP item? If so, USP supplement in which verification was assured. USP 24		X	
Is this name different than that used in the Orange Book?		X	
If not USP, has the product name been proposed in the PF?		X	
<b>Error Prevention Analysis</b>			
Has the firm proposed a proprietary name? If yes, complete this subsection.	X		
Do you find the name objectionable? List reasons in FTR, if so. Consider: Misleading? Sounds or looks like another name? USAN stem present? Prefix or Suffix present?			
Has the name been forwarded to the Labeling and Nomenclature Committee? If so, what were the recommendations? If the name was unacceptable, has the firm been notified?	X		
<b>Packaging</b>			
Is this a new packaging configuration, never been approved by an ANDA or NDA? If yes, describe in FTR.		X	
Is this package size mismatched with the recommended dosage? If yes, the Poison Prevention Act may require a CRC.		X	
Does the package proposed have any safety and/or regulatory concerns?		X	
If IV product packaged in syringe, could there be adverse patient outcome if given by direct IV injection?			X
Conflict between the DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION and INDICATIONS sections and the packaging configuration?		X	
Is the strength and/or concentration of the product unsupported by the insert labeling?		X	
Is the color of the container (i.e. the color of the cap of a mydriatic ophthalmic) or cap incorrect?			X
Individual cartons required? Issues for FTR: Innovator individually cartoned? Light sensitive product which might require cartoning? Must the package insert accompany the product?		X	
Are there any other safety concerns?		X	
<b>Labeling</b>			
Is the name of the drug unclear in print or lacking in prominence? (Name should be the most prominent information on the label).		X	
Has applicant failed to clearly differentiate multiple product strengths?			X
Is the corporate logo larger than 1/3 container label? (No regulation - see ASHP guidelines)		X	
<b>Labeling(continued)</b>	Yes	No	N.A.
Does RLD make special differentiation for this label? (i.e., Pediatric strength vs Adult; Oral Solution vs Concentrate, Warning Statements that might be in red for the NDA)		X	
Is the Manufactured by/Distributor statement incorrect or falsely inconsistent between labels and labeling? Is "Jointly Manufactured by...", statement needed?		X	
Failure to describe solid oral dosage form identifying markings in HOW SUPPLIED?			X

Has the firm failed to adequately support compatibility or stability claims which appear in the insert labeling? Note: Chemist should confirm the data has been adequately supported.		X	
Scoring: Describe scoring configuration of RLD and applicant (page #) in the FTR			
Is the scoring configuration different than the RLD?			X
Has the firm failed to describe the scoring in the HOW SUPPLIED section?			X
Inactive Ingredients: (FTR: List page # in application where inactives are listed)			
Does the product contain alcohol? If so, has the accuracy of the statement been confirmed?		X	
Do any of the inactives differ in concentration for this route of administration?		X	
Any adverse effects anticipated from inactives (i.e., benzyl alcohol in neonates)?		X	
Is there a discrepancy in inactives between DESCRIPTION and the composition statement?		X	
Has the term "other ingredients" been used to protect a trade secret? If so, is claim supported?		X	
Failure to list the coloring agents if the composition statement lists e.g., Opacode, Opaspray?			X
Failure to list gelatin, coloring agents, antimicrobials for capsules in DESCRIPTION?			X
Failure to list dyes in imprinting inks? (Coloring agents e.g., iron oxides need not be listed)			X
USP Issues: (FTR: List USP/NDA/ANDA dispensing/storage recommendations)			
Do container recommendations fail to meet or exceed USP/NDA recommendations? If so, are the recommendations supported and is the difference acceptable?		X	
Does USP have labeling recommendations? If any, does ANDA meet them?		X	
Is the product light sensitive? If so, is NDA and/or ANDA in a light resistant container?		X	
Failure of DESCRIPTION to meet USP Description and Solubility information? If so, USP information should be used. However, only include solvents appearing in innovator labeling.			
Bioequivalence Issues: (Compare bioequivalency values: insert to study. List Cmax, Tmax, T 1/2 and date study acceptable)			
Insert labeling references a food effect or a no-effect? If so, was a food study done?			X
Has CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY been modified? If so, briefly detail where/why.		X	
Patent/Exclusivity Issues?: FTR: Check the Orange Book edition or cumulative supplement for verification of the latest Patent or Exclusivity. List expiration date for all patents, exclusivities, etc. or if none, please state.		X	

**NOTES/QUESTIONS TO THE CHEMIST:** The firm's recommended temperature range is Store between 20° and 25°C (68 - 77°F); excursions permitted to 15° - 30°C (59° - 86°F). [See USP Controlled Room Temperature]. The RLD storage recommendation is "Store between 5° C and 25° C (41° F and 77° F)" Can the firm's use a more restrictive temperature range and does the stability data support this temperature range?

**FOR THE RECORD:**

**1. MODEL LABELING**

Review based on the labeling for the reference listed drug, Dermatot Emollient Cream, 0.1% by Dermik Laboratories, (NDA 20-279/S-001): Approved May 3, 1996; Revised 2003.

**2. PATIENTS/EXCLUSIVITIES:**

**Patent Data - NDA 20-279**

No	Expiration	Use Code	Use	File
		There are no unexpired patents for this product in the Orange Book database		NONE

**Exclusivity Data For NDA 20-279**

Code/sup	Expiration	Use Code	Description	Labeling Impact
			There is no unexpired exclusivity for this product	NONE

**3. INACTIVE INGREDIENTS**

There does not appear to be a discrepancy in inactives between the DESCRIPTION and the composition statement.

Name of the Ingredient	Prednicarbate Cream (Altana) (w/w%)	Reference Listed Drug (w/w%)	Pharmaceutical function
Prednicarbate	0.1	0.1	Active ingredient
White Petrolatum USP	(b) (4)	(b) (4)	(b) (4)
Purified Water USP			
Isopropyl Myristate NF			
Lanolin Alcohols NF			
Mineral Oil USP			
Cetostearyl Alcohol NF			
Aluminum Stearate			
Edetate Disodium USP			
Lactic Acid (b) (4) USP			
Magnesium Stearate NF			

\*The combined level of mineral oil and white petrolatum were determined by HPLC as (b) (4).

**4. STORAGE TEMPERATURE RECOMMENDATIONS COMPARISON**

- USP: NONE
- RLD: "Store between 5° C and 25° C (41° F and 77° F)"
- ANDA: Store between 20° and 25°C (68 - 77°F); excursions permitted to 15° - 30°C (59° - 86°F). [See USP Controlled Room Temperature]

**5. DISPENSING STATEMENT COMPARISON**

- USP: None.
- RLD: None.
- ANDA: None.

**6. PACKAGE CONFIGURATION**

- RLD: Packaged in 15 g, (b) (4) and 60 g tubes.
- ANDA: Packaged in (b) (4), 15 g, and 60 g lined aluminum tubes.

**7. CONTAINER/CLOSURE:** Prednicarbate Cream 0.1% is packaged in (b) (4) 15g and 2 oz/60 g lined aluminum tubes.

**Tubes**

(b) (4)



**8. FINISHED DOSAGE FORM**

- ANDA: A white to off-white, smooth and homogeneous cream.

**9. MANUFACTURING FACILITY OF FINISHED DOSAGE FORM**

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**Date of Review:**

**Date of Submission: December 2, 2004**

**Primary Reviewer:**

*B. Weikman*

**Date:** *6/8/2005*

**Team Leader:**

*John Han*

**Date:** *6-10-05*

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# APPROVAL SUMMARY

## REVIEW OF PROFESSIONAL LABELING DIVISION OF LABELING AND PROGRAM SUPPORT LABELING REVIEW BRANCH

ANDA Number: 77-287

Date of Submission: July 28, 2005

Applicant's Name: Altana Inc.

Established Name: Prednicarbate Cream, 0.1% (Emollient)

**APPROVAL SUMMARY** (List the package size, strength(s), and date of submission for approval):  
Do you have Final Printed Labels and Labeling? Yes



2. **CONTAINER [15 g tube]** – Satisfactory in FPL as of July 28, 2005 electronic submission.  
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3. **CONTAINER [60 g tube]** – Satisfactory in FPL as of July 28, 2005 electronic submission.  
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4. **CARTON [15 g tube]** – Satisfactory in FPL as of July 28, 2005 electronic submission.  
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5. **CARTON [60 g tube]** – Satisfactory in FPL as of July 28, 2005 electronic submission.  
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7. **PACKAGE INSERT** - Satisfactory in FPL as of July 28, 2005 electronic submission.  
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### BASIS OF APPROVAL:

- Was this approval based upon a petition? No
- What is the RLD on the 356(h) form: Dermatop Emollient Cream, 0.1%
- NDA Number: 19-568
- NDA Drug Name: Prednicarbate Cream, 0.1% (Emollient)
- NDA Firm: Bristol-Myers Squibb Company
- Date of Approval of NDA Insert: 20-279/S-001: Approved May 3, 1996; Revised 2003
- Has this been verified by the MIS system for the NDA? Yes
- Was this approval based upon an OGD labeling guidance? No
- Basis of Approval for the Container Labels: Side-by-side comparison
- Basis of Approval for the Carton Labels: Side-by-side comparison
- Revisions needed post-approval: **NO**
- Patents/Exclusivities: Refer to chart below.

### Patent Data – NDA 20-279

No	Expiration	Use Code	Use	File
		There are no unexpired patents for this product in the Orange Book database		NONE

### Exclusivity Data For NDA 20-279

Code/sup	Expiration	Use Code	Description	Labeling Impact
			There is no unexpired exclusivity for this product	NONE

**REVIEW OF PROFESSIONAL LABELING CHECK LIST**

Established Name	Yes	No	N.A.
Different name than on acceptance to file letter?		X	
Is this product a USP item? If so, USP supplement in which verification was assured. USP 24		X	
Is this name different than that used in the Orange Book?		X	
If not USP, has the product name been proposed in the PF?		X	
<b>Error Prevention Analysis</b>			
Has the firm proposed a proprietary name? If yes, complete this subsection.	X		
Do you find the name objectionable? List reasons in FTR, if so. Consider: Misleading? Sounds or looks like another name? USAN stem present? Prefix or Suffix present?			
Has the name been forwarded to the Labeling and Nomenclature Committee? If so, what were the recommendations? If the name was unacceptable, has the firm been notified?	X		
<b>Packaging</b>			
Is this a new packaging configuration, never been approved by an ANDA or NDA? If yes, describe in FTR.		X	
Is this package size mismatched with the recommended dosage? If yes, the Poison Prevention Act may require a CRC.		X	
Does the package proposed have any safety and/or regulatory concerns?		X	
If IV product packaged in syringe, could there be adverse patient outcome if given by direct IV injection?			X
Conflict between the DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION and INDICATIONS sections and the packaging configuration?		X	
Is the strength and/or concentration of the product unsupported by the insert labeling?		X	
Is the color of the container (i.e. the color of the cap of a mydriatic ophthalmic) or cap incorrect?			X
Individual cartons required? Issues for FTR: Innovator individually cartoned? Light sensitive product which might require cartoning? Must the package insert accompany the product?		X	
Are there any other safety concerns?		X	
<b>Labeling</b>			
Is the name of the drug unclear in print or lacking in prominence? (Name should be the most prominent information on the label).		X	
Has applicant failed to clearly differentiate multiple product strengths?			X
Is the corporate logo larger than 1/3 container label? (No regulation - see ASHP guidelines)		X	
<b>Labeling(continued)</b>	Yes	No	N.A.
Does RLD make special differentiation for this label? (i.e., Pediatric strength vs Adult; Oral Solution vs Concentrate, Warning Statements that might be in red for the NDA)		X	
Is the Manufactured by/Distributor statement incorrect or falsely inconsistent between labels and labeling? Is "Jointly Manufactured by...", statement needed?		X	
			X
Failure to describe solid oral dosage form identifying markings in HOW SUPPLIED?			X
Has the firm failed to adequately support compatibility or stability claims which appear in the		X	

insert labeling? Note: Chemist should confirm the data has been adequately supported.			
Scoring: Describe scoring configuration of RLD and applicant (page #) in the FTR			X
Is the scoring configuration different than the RLD?			X
Has the firm failed to describe the scoring in the HOW SUPPLIED section?			
Inactive Ingredients: (FTR: List page # in application where inactives are listed)		X	
Does the product contain alcohol? If so, has the accuracy of the statement been confirmed?		X	
Do any of the inactives differ in concentration for this route of administration?		X	
Any adverse effects anticipated from inactives (i.e., benzyl alcohol in neonates)?		X	
Is there a discrepancy in inactives between DESCRIPTION and the composition statement?		X	
Has the term "other ingredients" been used to protect a trade secret? If so, is claim supported?			X
Failure to list the coloring agents if the composition statement lists e.g., Opacode, Opaspray?			X
Failure to list gelatin, coloring agents, antimicrobials for capsules in DESCRIPTION?			X
Failure to list dyes in imprinting inks? (Coloring agents e.g., iron oxides need not be listed)			
USP Issues: (FTR: List USP/NDA/ANDA dispensing/storage recommendations)		X	
Do container recommendations fail to meet or exceed USP/NDA recommendations? If so, are the recommendations supported and is the difference acceptable?		X	
Does USP have labeling recommendations? If any, does ANDA meet them?		X	
Is the product light sensitive? If so, is NDA and/or ANDA in a light resistant container?			
Failure of DESCRIPTION to meet USP Description and Solubility information? If so, USP information should be used. However, only include solvents appearing in innovator labeling.			
Bioequivalence Issues: (Compare bioequivalency values: insert to study. List Cmax, Tmax, T 1/2 and date study acceptable)			X
Insert labeling references a food effect or a no-effect? If so, was a food study done?		X	
Has CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY been modified? If so, briefly detail where/why.			
Patent/Exclusivity Issues?: FTR: Check the Orange Book edition or cumulative supplement for verification of the latest Patent or Exclusivity. List expiration date for all patents, exclusivities, etc. or if none, please state.		X	

**NOTES/QUESTIONS TO THE CHEMIST:** The firm's recommended temperature range is Store between 20° and 25°C (68 - 77°F); excursions permitted to 15° - 30°C (59° - 86°F). [See USP Controlled Room Temperature]. The RLD storage recommendation is "Store between 5° C and 25° C (41° F and 77° F)" Can the firm's use a more restrictive temperature range and does the stability data support this temperature range?

**FOR THE RECORD:**

**1. MODEL LABELING**

Review based on the labeling for the reference listed drug, Dermatop Emollient Cream, 0.1% by Dermik Laboratories, (NDA 20-279/S-001): Approved May 3, 1996; Revised 2003.

**2. PATIENTS/EXCLUSIVITIES:**

**Patent Data - NDA 20-279**

No	Expiration	Use Code	Use	File
		There are no unexpired patents for this product in the Orange Book database		NONE

**Exclusivity Data For NDA 20-279**

Code/sup	Expiration	Use Code	Description	Labeling Impact
			There is no unexpired exclusivity for this product	NONE

**3. INACTIVE INGREDIENTS**

There does not appear to be a discrepancy in inactives between the DESCRIPTION and the composition statement.

Name of the Ingredient	Prednicarbate Cream (Altana) (w/w%)	Reference Listed Drug (w/w%)	Pharmaceutical function
Prednicarbate	0.1	0.1	Active ingredient
White Petrolatum USP	(b) (4)		
Purified Water USP			
Isopropyl Myristate NF			
Lanolin Alcohols NF			
Mineral Oil USP			
Cetostearyl Alcohol NF			
Aluminum Stearate			
Edetate Disodium USP			
Lactic Acid (b) (4) USP			
Magnesium Stearate NF			

\*The combined level of mineral oil and white petrolatum were determined by HPLC as (b) (4)

**4. STORAGE TEMPERATURE RECOMMENDATIONS COMPARISON**

- USP: NONE
- RLD: "Store between 5° C and 25° C (41° F and 77° F)"
- ANDA: Store between 20° and 25°C (68 - 77°F); excursions permitted to 15° - 30°C (59° - 86°F). [See USP Controlled Room Temperature]

**5. DISPENSING STATEMENT COMPARISON**

- USP: None.
- RLD: None.
- ANDA: None.

**6. PACKAGE CONFIGURATION**

- RLD: Packaged in 15 g. (b) (4) and 60 g tubes.
- ANDA: Packaged in (b) (4), 15 g, and 60 g lined aluminum tubes.

**7. CONTAINER/CLOSURE:** Prednicarbate Cream 0.1% is packaged in (b) (4) 15g and 2 oz/60 g lined aluminum tubes.

**Tubes**

(b) (4)
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**8. FINISHED DOSAGE FORM**

- ANDA: A white to off-white, smooth and homogeneous cream.

**9. MANUFACTURING FACILITY OF FINISHED DOSAGE FORM**

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**Date of Review:** **Date of Submission: July 28, 2005**

**Primary Reviewer:** *B. Weitzman* **Date:** *8/10/2005*

**Team Leader:** *John J. Grace* **Date:** *8/10/05*

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**APPROVAL SUMMARY**  
**(Supersedes AS dated 8/10/2005)**

**REVIEW OF PROFESSIONAL LABELING**  
**DIVISION OF LABELING AND PROGRAM SUPPORT**  
**LABELING REVIEW BRANCH**

ANDA Number: 77-287

Date of Submission: **July 28, 2005 and January 27, 2006**

Applicant's Name: Altana Inc.

Established Name: Prednicarbate Cream, 0.1% (Emollient)

**APPROVAL SUMMARY** (List the package size, strength(s), and date of submission for approval):  
Do you have Final Printed Labels and Labeling? Yes

1. **CONTAINER [15 g tube]** – Satisfactory in FPL as of July 28, 2005 electronic submission.

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3. **CARTON [15 g tube]** – Satisfactory in FPL as of July 28, 2005 electronic submission.

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4. **CARTON [60 g tube]** – Satisfactory in FPL as of July 28, 2005 electronic submission.

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5. **PACKAGE INSERT** - Satisfactory in FPL as of July 28, 2005 electronic submission.

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**BASIS OF APPROVAL:**

- Was this approval based upon a petition? No
- What is the RLD on the 356(h) form: Dermatotop Emollient Cream, 0.1%
- NDA Number: 20-279
- NDA Drug Name: Prednicarbate Cream, 0.1% (Emollient)
- NDA Firm: Sanofi Aventis US
- Date of Approval of NDA Insert: 20-279/S-001: Approved May 3, 1996; Revised 2003
- Has this been verified by the MIS system for the NDA? Yes
- Was this approval based upon an OGD labeling guidance? No
- Basis of Approval for the Container Labels: Side-by-side comparison
- Basis of Approval for the Carton Labels: Side-by-side comparison
- Revisions needed post-approval: **NO**
- Patents/Exclusivities: Refer to chart below.

**Patent Data – NDA 20-279**

No	Expiration	Use Code	Use	File
		There are no unexpired patents for this product in the Orange Book database		NONE

**Exclusivity Data For NDA 20-279**

Code/sup	Expiration	Use Code	Description	Labeling Impact
			There is no unexpired exclusivity for this product	NONE

**REVIEW OF PROFESSIONAL LABELING CHECK LIST**

Established Name	Yes	No	N.A.
Different name than on acceptance to file letter?		X	
Is this product a USP item? If so, USP supplement in which verification was assured. USP 24		X	
Is this name different than that used in the Orange Book?		X	
If not USP, has the product name been proposed in the PF?		X	
<b>Error Prevention Analysis</b>			
Has the firm proposed a proprietary name? If yes, complete this subsection.	X		
Do you find the name objectionable? List reasons in FTR, if so. Consider: Misleading? Sounds or looks like another name? USAN stem present? Prefix or Suffix present?			
Has the name been forwarded to the Labeling and Nomenclature Committee? If so, what were the recommendations? If the name was unacceptable, has the firm been notified?	X		
<b>Packaging</b>			
Is this a new packaging configuration, never been approved by an ANDA or NDA? If yes, describe in FTR.		X	
Is this package size mismatched with the recommended dosage? If yes, the Poison Prevention Act may require a CRC.		X	
Does the package proposed have any safety and/or regulatory concerns?		X	
If IV product packaged in syringe, could there be adverse patient outcome if given by direct IV injection?			X
Conflict between the DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION and INDICATIONS sections and the packaging configuration?		X	
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Are there any other safety concerns?		X	
<b>Labeling</b>			
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Has applicant failed to clearly differentiate multiple product strengths?			X
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**9/15/2006 E-mailed PM to check if this was resolved.**

**FOR THE RECORD:**

**1. MODEL LABELING**

Review based on the labeling for the reference listed drug, Dermatop Emollient Cream, 0.1% by Sanofi Aventis US, (NDA 20-279/S-001): Approved May 3, 1996; **Revised 2003.**

**2. PATIENTS/EXCLUSIVITIES:**

**Patent Data – NDA 20-279**

No	Expiration	Use Code	Use	File
		There are no unexpired patents for this product in the Orange Book database		NONE

**Exclusivity Data For NDA 20-279**

Code/sup	Expiration	Use Code	Description	Labeling Impact
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\*The combined level of mineral oil and white petrolatum were determined by HPLC as (b) (4)

**4. STORAGE TEMPERATURE RECOMMENDATIONS COMPARISON**

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- USP: None.
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- RLD: Packaged in 15 g, (b) (4) and 60 g tubes.
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Tubes

(b) (4)

**8. FINISHED DOSAGE FORM**

- ANDA: A white to off-white, smooth and homogeneous cream.

**9. MANUFACTURING FACILITY OF FINISHED DOSAGE FORM**

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10. The sponsor's 1/27/2006 amendment withdraws the (b) (4) package size. This approval summary updates the one dated 8/10/2005 by removing reference to the (b) (4) package size and in that it reflects the change in ownership and control of the RLD sponsor.

**Date of Review:** September 15, 2006 **Date of Submission:** July 28, 2005 and January 27, 2006

**Primary Reviewer:** *[Signature]* **Date:** 9/15/2006

**Team Leader:** *[Signature]* **Date:** 9-15-06

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**CENTER FOR DRUG EVALUATION AND RESEARCH**

*APPLICATION NUMBER:*

**ANDA 077287**

**CHEMISTRY REVIEWS**

**ANDA 77-287**

**Prednicarbate Cream, 0.1%**

**Altana, Inc.**

**Raman D. Murali, Ph.D.**

**Chemistry I**

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# Chemistry Review Data Sheet

1. ANDA 77-287
2. REVIEW #: 1
3. REVIEW DATE: April 5, 2005
4. REVIEWER: Raman D. Murali, Ph.D.
5. PREVIOUS DOCUMENTS:  
N/A
6. SUBMISSION(S) BEING REVIEWED:

<u>Submission(s) Reviewed</u>	<u>Document Date</u>
Original submission	September 23, 2004
Refuse to Receive	November 24, 2004
Amendment	December 2, 2004
Acceptable for filing	December 3, 2004

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Representative: Audrey Zaweski

Telephone: (631) 454-7677 Ext. 3007

Facsimile: (631) 756-5114

8. DRUG PRODUCT NAME/CODE/TYPE:

a) Proprietary Name: N/A

b) Non-Proprietary Name (USAN): Prednicarbate Cream, 0.1%

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**9. LEGAL BASIS FOR SUBMISSION:**

The Reference Listed Drug is Dermatop® Emollient Cream (Prednicarbate Emollient Cream, 0.1%), NDA 20-279 held by Dermik Laboratories.

The applicant, Altana, certifies that to the best of its knowledge there are no unexpired patents or unexpired exclusivity for this drug product. A copy of the list of Approved Drug Products with Therapeutic Equivalence Evaluations (Orange Book) is included in this section confirming the above statement.

**10. PHARMACOL. CATEGORY:**

Topical corticosteroid used as an anti-inflammatory and anti-pruritic agent.

11. DOSAGE FORM: Cream

12. STRENGTH/POTENCY: 0.1%

13. ROUTE OF ADMINISTRATION: Topical

14. Rx/OTC DISPENSED:  Rx  OTC

**15. SPOTS (SPECIAL PRODUCTS ON-LINE TRACKING SYSTEM):**

SPOTS product – Form Completed

Not a SPOTS product

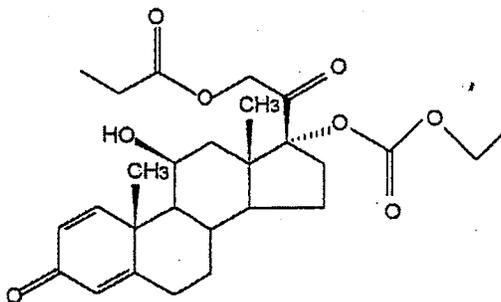
**16. CHEMICAL NAME, STRUCTURAL FORMULA, MOLECULAR FORMULA, MOLECULAR WEIGHT:**

Chemical Name: 11β-Hydroxy-3,20-dioxopregna-1,4-diene-17,21-diyl  
17-ethylcarbonate 21-propanoate

Molecular formula: C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>36</sub>O<sub>8</sub>

Molecular weight: 488.6

CAS Number: 73771-04-7



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### 17. RELATED/SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

#### A. DMFs:

DMF #	Type	Holder	Item Referenced	Code <sup>1</sup>	Status <sup>2</sup>	Date Review Completed	Comments
(b) (4)	II	(b) (4)	(b) (4)	1	Inadequate	May 19, 2005	Reviewed by R. Murali
	III			4			
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<sup>1</sup> Action codes for DMF Table:

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5 – Authority to reference not granted

6 – DMF not available

7 – Other (explain under "Comments")

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

#### B. Other Documents: N/A

### 18. STATUS:

Consults/ CMC Related Reviews	Recommendation	Date	Reviewer
Microbiology	N/A		
EES	Acceptable	1/28/05	
Methods Validation	N/A		
Labeling	Pending		
Bioequivalence	Pending		
EA	Satisfactory (exclusion requested)		
Radiopharmaceutical	N/A		

# CHEMISTRY REVIEW

## Executive Summary Section

### 19. ORDER OF REVIEW

The application submission(s) covered by this review was taken in the date order of receipt.  Yes  No If no, explain reason(s) below:

# The Chemistry Review for ANDA 77-287

## The Executive Summary

### I. Recommendations

#### A. Recommendation and Conclusion on Approvability

This ANDA is presently non-approvable. The minor chemistry deficiencies listed in the review should be addressed before the application can be approved. Labeling and Bioequivalency reviews are pending.

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

N/A

### II. Summary of Chemistry Assessments

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

The drug product Prednicarbate cream is a medium potency corticosteroid indicated for the relief of the inflammatory and pruritic manifestations of corticosteroid-responsive dermatoses.

Each gram of Prednicarbate cream contains 1.0 mg of Prednicarbate in a base of consisting of White Petrolatum USP, Purified Water USP, Isopropyl Myristate NF, Lanolin Alcohols NF, Mineral Oil USP, Cetostearyl Alcohol NF, Aluminum Stearate, Edetate Disodium USP, Lactic Acid (b)(4) USP and Magnesium Stearate NF.

The drug product is supplied in (b)(4) 15g and 60g lined aluminum tubes. It is to be stored in controlled room temperature, 15°C to 30 °C. The proposed expiration dating for the drug product is (b)(4) months.

The drug substance, Prednicarbate is a synthetic corticosteroid which is a class of primarily synthetic steroids used topically as an anti-inflammatory agent. The chemical name of Prednicarbate is 11β-Hydroxy-3,20-dioxopregna-1,4-diene-17,21-diyl 17-ethylcarbonate 21-propanoate.

Prednicarbate is not described in the USP Monograph. It is a white to off-white powder. Molecular formula is C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>36</sub>O<sub>8</sub> and molecular weight is 488.6.

#### B. Description of How the Drug Product is Intended to be Used

The drug product is a medium potency corticosteroid indicated for the relief of the inflammatory and pruritic manifestations of corticosteroid-responsive dermatoses. The drug product did not produce significant hypothalamic-pituitary-adrenal (HPA) axis suppression when used at a dose of 30g/day for a week in patients with extensive

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psoriasis or atopic dermatoses. The MDD is calculated to be 30 mg/day of the active. Prednicarbate cream is contraindicated in those patients with a history of hypersensitivity to any of the components of the preparation.

MDD = 30 mg/day

	IT	QT
DS	0.10%	0.15%
DP	0.2%	0.5%

### C. Basis for Approvability or Not-Approval Recommendation

The ANDA is non-approvable due to minor deficiencies related to DMF deficiencies, drug substance specifications, container closure system and drug product in-process, release and stability testing.

## III. Administrative

### A. Reviewer's Signature

*[Handwritten Signature]*

### B. Endorsement Block

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HFD-627/J. Fan/  
HFD-617/A. Vu/

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### C. CC Block

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**30. MICROBIOLOGY**

N/A

**31. SAMPLES AND RESULTS/METHODS VALIDATION STATUS**

N/A

**32. LABELING**

Review pending

**33. ESTABLISHMENT INSPECTION**

Acceptable 1/28/05

**34. BIOEQUIVALENCE**

Review pending

**35. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT CONSIDERATIONS/CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION:**

Altana is claiming a categorical exclusion from the requirement of an environmental impact analysis statement pursuant to 21 CFR 25.15 (d) and 25.31(a).

# CHEMISTRY REVIEW

## Chemistry Assessment Section

### CHEMISTRY COMMENTS TO BE PROVIDED TO THE APPLICANT

ANDA: 77-287 APPLICANT: Altana Inc.

DRUG PRODUCT: Prednicarbate Cream, 0.1%

The deficiencies presented below represent MINOR deficiencies.

A. Deficiencies:

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- B. In addition to responding to the deficiencies presented above, please note and acknowledge the following comments in your response:

The Bioequivalency and Labeling information you have provided is pending review. After the reviews are completed, any deficiencies found will be communicated to you separately.

Sincerely yours,



Rashmikant M. Patel, Ph.D.  
Director  
Division of Chemistry I  
Office of Generic Drugs  
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research

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Endorsements (Draft and Final with Dates):

HFD-627/R. Murali/5/29/05

*RM 7/6/05*

HFD-627/J. Fan/ 7/3/05

HFD-617/A. Vu/

*[Signature] 7/6/05*

F/T by: ard/7/5/05

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**TYPE OF LETTER: NOT APPROVABLE - MINOR**

**ANDA 77-287**

**Prednicarbate Emollient Cream, 0.1%**

**Altana, Inc.**

**Raman D. Murali, Ph.D.**

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2. REVIEW #: 2
3. REVIEW DATE: September 2, 2005; Revised: December 19, 2005
4. REVIEWER: Raman D. Murali, Ph.D.

5. PREVIOUS DOCUMENTS:

Submission(s) Reviewed

Original submission  
Refuse to Receive  
Amendment  
Acceptable for filing

Document Date

September 23, 2004  
November 24, 2004  
December 2, 2004  
December 3, 2004

6. SUBMISSION(S) BEING REVIEWED:

Submission(s) Reviewed

Amendment  
Amendment

Document Date

August 23, 2005  
October 19, 2005

7. NAME & ADDRESS OF APPLICANT:

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Address: 60 Baylis Road  
Melville, NY 11747  
Representative: Audrey Zaweski  
Telephone: (631) 454-7677 Ext. 3007  
Facsimile: (631) 756-5114

8. DRUG PRODUCT NAME/CODE/TYPE:

- a) Proprietary Name: N/A
- b) Non-Proprietary Name (USAN): Prednicarbate Emollient Cream, 0.1%

**9. LEGAL BASIS FOR SUBMISSION:**

The Reference Listed Drug is Dermatop® Emollient Cream (Prednicarbate Emollient Cream, 0.1%), NDA 20-279 held by Dermik Laboratories. The applicant, Altana, certifies that to the best of its knowledge there are no unexpired patents or unexpired exclusivity for this drug product. A copy of the list of Approved Drug Products with Therapeutic Equivalence Evaluations (Orange Book) is included in this section confirming the above statement.

**10. PHARMACOL. CATEGORY:**

Topical corticosteroid used as an anti-inflammatory and anti-pruritic agent.

**11. DOSAGE FORM:** Cream

**12. STRENGTH/POTENCY:** 0.1%

**13. ROUTE OF ADMINISTRATION:** Topical

**14. Rx/OTC DISPENSED:**  Rx  OTC

**15. SPOTS (SPECIAL PRODUCTS ON-LINE TRACKING SYSTEM):**

SPOTS product – Form Completed

Not a SPOTS product

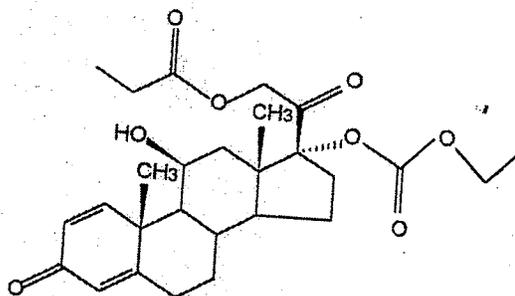
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**17. RELATED/SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:**

**A. DMFs:**

DMF # (b) (4)	Type	Holder	Item Referenced (b) (4)	Code <sup>1</sup>	Status <sup>2</sup>	Date Review Completed	Comments
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**B. Other Documents: N/A**

**18. STATUS:**

Consults/ CMC Related Reviews	Recommendation	Date	Reviewer
Microbiology	N/A		
EES	Acceptable		
Methods Validation	N/A	1/28/05	
Labeling	Acceptable		
Bioequivalence	Acceptable	8/10/05	B. Weitzman
EA	Satisfactory (exclusion requested)	9/16/05	H. Nguyen
Radiopharmaceutical	N/A		



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## Executive Summary Section

### 19. ORDER OF REVIEW

The application submission(s) covered by this review was taken in the date order of receipt.  Yes  No If no, explain reason(s) below:

# The Chemistry Review for ANDA 77-287

## The Executive Summary

### I. Recommendations

#### A. Recommendation and Conclusion on Approvability

This ANDA is presently non-approvable. The minor chemistry deficiencies listed in the review should be addressed before the application can be approved.

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

N/A

### II. Summary of Chemistry Assessments

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

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The drug product is supplied in <sup>(b)(4)</sup> 15g and 60g lined aluminum tubes. It is to be stored in controlled room temperature, 15°C to 30 °C. The proposed expiration dating for the drug product is <sup>(b)(4)</sup> months.

The drug substance, Prednicarbate is a synthetic corticosteroid which is a class of primarily synthetic steroids used topically as an anti-inflammatory agent. The chemical name of Prednicarbate is 11β-Hydroxy-3,20-dioxopregna-1,4-diene-17,21-diyl 17-ethylcarbonate 21-propanoate.

Prednicarbate is not described in the USP Monograph. It is a white to off-white powder. Molecular formula is C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>36</sub>O<sub>8</sub> and molecular weight is 488.6.

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psoriasis or atopic dermatoses. Prednicarbate cream is contraindicated in those patients with a history of hypersensitivity to any of the components of the preparation.

### Maximum Daily Dose (MDD) Calculations:

The firm provided the following MDD calculation:  
In order to calculate the Maximum Daily Dose (MDD), the reference article *The Finger-Tip Unit-A New Practical Measure* was used<sup>1</sup>. Based upon the article, the nominal weight of cream required for "whole-body treatment of an adult male was 20.1 g". Therefore, when applying a product twice daily<sup>2</sup> on two arms and the back of a patient's trunk (33% body coverage), a dose of 13.3 g (20.1 g x 33% x 2) is to be used per day. The percutaneous adsorption rate of prednicarbate is 3%<sup>2</sup>. Therefore, MDD, Identification Threshold (IT) and Qualification Threshold (QT) calculations are as follows:

$$\text{MDD} = 0.4 \text{ mg drug substance/day}$$

	IT	QT
Drug Substance	0.10%	0.15%
Drug Product	1.0%	1.0%

<sup>1</sup> C.C. Long and A.Y. Finlay. *The Finger-Tip Unit-A New Practical Measure*. Clinical and Experimental Dermatology 1991; 16: 444-447.

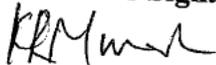
<sup>2</sup> Based upon current package insert for Dermatop® Emollient Cream, last revised May 2003

### C. Basis for Approvability or Not-Approval Recommendation

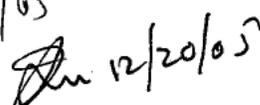
This ANDA is not approvable due to minor deficiencies related to drug substance release and drug product release and stability specifications.

## III. Administrative

### A. Reviewer's Signature



### B. Endorsement Block

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### C. CC Block

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**30. MICROBIOLOGY**

N/A

**31. SAMPLES AND RESULTS/METHODS VALIDATION STATUS**

N/A

**32. LABELING**

Acceptable 08/10/05 by B. Weitzman

**33. ESTABLISHMENT INSPECTION**

Acceptable 1/28/05

**34. BIOEQUIVALENCE**

Acceptable 09/16/05 by H. Nguyen

**35. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT CONSIDERATIONS/CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION:**

Altana is claiming a categorical exclusion from the requirement of an environmental impact analysis statement pursuant to 21 CFR 25.15 (d) and 25.31(a).

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**CHEMISTRY COMMENTS TO BE PROVIDED TO THE APPLICANT**

ANDA: 77-287    APPLICANT: Altana Inc.

DRUG PRODUCT: Prednicarbate Cream, 0.1%

The deficiencies presented below represent MINOR deficiencies.

A. Deficiencies:

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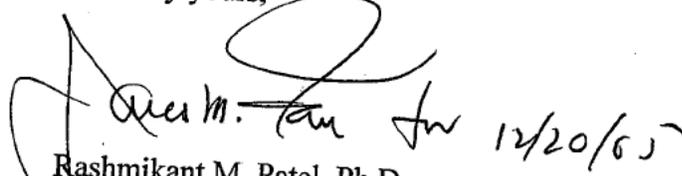


2.

B. In addition to responding to the deficiency presented above, please note and acknowledge the following comment in your response:

Please provide all available long-term drug product stability data.

Sincerely yours,



Rashmikant M. Patel, Ph.D.  
Director

Division of Chemistry I  
Office of Generic Drugs  
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research

cc: ANDA 77-287  
 ANDA DUP 77-287  
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Endorsements (Draft and Final with Dates):

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 HFD-627/J. Fan/ 12/19/05  
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**TYPE OF LETTER: NOT APPROVABLE-MINOR**



**ANDA 77-287**

**Prednicarbate Emollient Cream, 0.1%**

**Altana, Inc.**

**Raman D. Murali, Ph.D.**

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1. ANDA 77-287 (First Generic)

2. REVIEW #: 4

Chemistry Review #3 was not located. There appears to be a numbering error.

3. REVIEW DATE: June 28, 2006

4. REVIEWER: Raman D. Murali, Ph.D.

5. PREVIOUS DOCUMENTS:

Submission(s) Reviewed

Original submission

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Amendment

Acceptable for filing

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Amendment

Document Date

September 23, 2004

November 24, 2004

December 2, 2004

December 3, 2004

August 23, 2005

October 19, 2005

January 27, 2006

6. SUBMISSION(S) BEING REVIEWED:

Submission(s) Reviewed

Amendment

Document Date

April 4, 2006

7. NAME & ADDRESS OF APPLICANT:

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Melville, NY 11747

Representative: Audrey Zaweski

Telephone: (631) 454-7677 Ext. 3007

Facsimile: (631) 756-5114

8. DRUG PRODUCT NAME/CODE/TYPE:

a) Proprietary Name: N/A

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b) Non-Proprietary Name (USAN): Prednicarbate Emollient Cream, 0.1%

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The applicant, Altana, certifies that to the best of its knowledge there are no unexpired patents or unexpired exclusivity for this drug product. A copy of the list of Approved Drug Products with Therapeutic Equivalence Evaluations (Orange Book) is included in this section confirming the above statement.

### 10. PHARMACOL. CATEGORY:

Topical corticosteroid used as an anti-inflammatory and anti-pruritic agent.

11. DOSAGE FORM: Cream

12. STRENGTH/POTENCY: 0.1%

13. ROUTE OF ADMINISTRATION: Topical

14. Rx/OTC DISPENSED:  Rx  OTC

### 15. SPOTS (SPECIAL PRODUCTS ON-LINE TRACKING SYSTEM):

SPOTS product – Form Completed

Not a SPOTS product

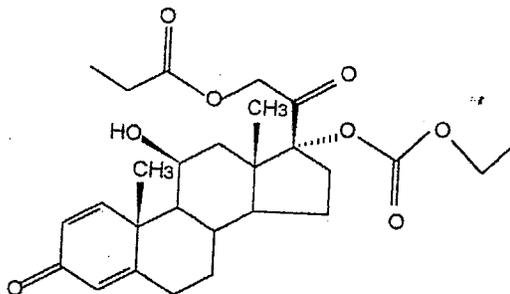
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Molecular weight: 488.6

CAS Number: 73771-04-7



**17. RELATED/SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:**

**A. DMFs:**

DMF #	Type	Holder	Item Referenced	Code <sup>1</sup>	Status <sup>2</sup>	Date Review Completed	Comments
(b) (4)	II	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	1	adequate	March 22, 2006	Reviewed by R. Murali
	III			4			
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- 6 – DMF not available
- 7 – Other (explain under "Comments")

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

**B. Other Documents: N/A**

**18. STATUS:**

Consults/ CMC Related Reviews	Recommendation	Date	Reviewer
Microbiology	N/A		
EES	Acceptable	1/28/05	
Methods Validation	N/A		
Labeling	Acceptable	8/10/05	B. Weitzman
Bioequivalence	Acceptable	9/16/05	H. Nguyen
EA	Satisfactory (exclusion requested)		
Radiopharmaceutical	N/A		

# The Chemistry Review for ANDA 77-287

## The Executive Summary

### I. Recommendations

#### A. Recommendation and Conclusion on Approvability

This ANDA is approvable.

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

N/A

### II. Summary of Chemistry Assessments

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

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The drug product is supplied in (b)(4) 15g and 60g lined aluminum tubes. It is to be stored in controlled room temperature, 15°C to 30 °C. The proposed expiration dating for the drug product is 21 months.

The drug substance, Prednicarbate is a synthetic corticosteroid which is a class of primarily synthetic steroids used topically as an anti-inflammatory agent. The chemical name of Prednicarbate is 11β-Hydroxy-3,20-dioxopregna-1,4-diene-17,21-diyl 17-ethylcarbonate 21-propanoate.

Prednicarbate is not described in the USP Monograph. It is a white to off-white powder. Molecular formula is C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>36</sub>O<sub>8</sub> and molecular weight is 488.6.

#### B. Description of How the Drug Product is Intended to be Used

The drug product is a medium potency corticosteroid indicated for the relief of the inflammatory and pruritic manifestations of corticosteroid-responsive dermatoses. The drug product did not produce significant hypothalamic-pituitary-adrenal (HPA) axis suppression when used at a dose of 30g/day for a week in patients with extensive psoriasis or atopic dermatoses. Prednicarbate cream is contraindicated in those patients with a history of hypersensitivity to any of the components of the preparation.

**30. MICROBIOLOGY**

N/A

**31. SAMPLES AND RESULTS/METHODS VALIDATION STATUS**

N/A

**32. LABELING**

Acceptable 08/10/05 by B. Weitzman

**33. ESTABLISHMENT INSPECTION**

Acceptable 1/28/05

**34. BIOEQUIVALENCE**

Acceptable 09/16/05 by H. Nguyen

**35. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT CONSIDERATIONS/CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION:**

Altana is claiming a categorical exclusion from the requirement of an environmental impact analysis statement pursuant to 21 CFR 25.15 (d) and 25.31(a).



Chemistry Assessment Section

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*APPLICATION NUMBER:*

**ANDA 077287**

**BIOEQUIVALENCE REVIEW**

**DIVISION OF BIOEQUIVALENCE REVIEW  
(VASOCONSTRICTOR STUDIES)**

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<b>ANDA No.</b>	77-287
<b>Drug Product Name</b>	Prednicarbate Emollient Cream
<b>Strength</b>	0.1%
<b>Applicant Name</b>	Altana
<b>Address</b>	Melville, NY
<b>Submission Date(s)</b>	September 23, 2004
<b>Reviewer</b>	Hoainhon Nguyen
<b>First Generic</b>	Yes
<b>File Location</b>	v:\firmsam\altana\ltrs&rev\77287n0904.doc

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**I. Executive Summary**

The firm has submitted a pilot dose-response- and a pivotal *in vivo* bioequivalence vasoconstriction study on its Prednicarbate Emollient Cream, 0.1%, referencing Dermik Labs' Dermatop<sup>®</sup> (prednicarbate) Emollient Cream, 0.1%. The pilot study used 20 female volunteers in determining an ED50 of 120 minutes to be used for the pivotal study. For the pivotal study 150 female volunteers were recruited for testing the vasoconstriction of the test product vs. Dermatop<sup>®</sup> Emollient Cream, 0.1% (Dermik Labs). For the pivotal study the firm selected 47 "evaluable" subjects from the 150 subjects completing the study. DBE also found and used 47 "evaluable" subjects. The study resulted in acceptable data (T/R ratio and 90% confidence interval calculated by Locke's method): 1.06 and 89.9-124.1. Both the pilot dose-response study and the pivotal pharmacodynamic bioequivalence study are acceptable.

The application is **complete** with no further bioequivalence deficiency at this time.

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### III. Submission Summary

#### A. Drug Product Information

**Test Product** Altana's Prednicarbate Emollient Cream, 0.1%  
**Reference Product** Dermatop® Emollient Cream (NDA #20-279, Dermik Labs, October 29, 1993)  
**Indication** Indicated for the relief of the inflammatory and pruritic manifestations of corticosteroid-responsive dermatoses.  
**Potency** 0.1%  
**Drug Specific Issue (If Any)** None  
**DBE History** This is the First Generic ANDA for Prednicarbate Emollient Cream product. To date, there has been no other ANDA or protocol submitted for the drug product. Control Document No. 01-531 ( (b)(4) 10/23/01) addressed the inactive ingredient Lanolin Alcohol used in (b)(4) formulation ( (b)(4) ). The Program Support staff reviewed the CD and stated that "*Lanolin Alcohol has been used in previously approved application in amounts greater than the (b)(4) that they (b)(4) had proposed.*"

**Agency Guidance** Topical Dermatologic Corticosteroids: *In Vivo* Bioequivalence, June 2, 1995

#### B. Contents of Submission

Pilot Study	X	Yes
Pivotal Study	X	Yes
Chromameter Data	X	Yes
Visual Scores Data		No

#### C. Method Validation (Vol. C1.2, pp. 250-256)

Number of Operators	8
Number of Subjects per Validation	4
Number of Application Sites	4 per arm
Number of Readings	5 per site
Number of Validation Dates	5

Validation #1 (03/05/03):	Between Subject CV%	Between Site CV%	Within Site CV%
Operator #1	13.35	8.14	5.60
Operator #2	17.74	10.15	6.05
Validation #2 (06/19/03):	Between Subject CV%	Between Site CV%	Within Site CV%
Operator #2	12.71	8.88	4.47
Operator #3	13.60	8.28	6.65

Validation #3 (07/24/03):	Between Subject CV%	Between Site CV%	Within Site CV%
Operator #4	18.40	8.36	4.02
Operator #5	17.60	9.44	5.20
Validation #2 (10/17/03):	Between Subject CV%	Between Site CV%	Within Site CV%
Operator #4	23.22	7.73	4.17
Operator #6	23.99	7.65	3.19
Validation #3 (12/17/03):	Between Subject CV%	Between Site CV%	Within Site CV%
Operator #7	9.10	4.30	3.00
Operator #8	8.78	3.72	4.16

#### D. In Vivo Studies

##### 1. PILOT DOSE RESPONSE STUDY

Study No. 10428210  
 Study Design 2-treatment, 1-period, randomized study  
 No. of subjects enrolled 20  
 No. of subjects completed 20  
 No. of subjects analyzed 20  
 Subjects  
 Sex(es) included (how many) Male None Female 14  
 Reference product Dermatop® Emollient Cream, 0.1%,  
 Lot #L135, Exp. 08/05.  
 Strength tested 20 uL  
 Dose Durations 0.08, 0.50, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6 and 8 hours  
 Reading Times 0.50, 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 20 and 24 hours

Summary of Statistical Analysis: (Firm's analysis)

Parameter	Estimate	%CV
ED50	120.1	5.3
E <sub>max</sub>	12.1	79.2

Summary of Statistical Analysis: (DBE's analysis) A sigmoidal function was fitted to the data of the pilot dose response study:

$$E = \frac{E_{\max} \times \text{Dose}^{\gamma}}{ED_{50} + \text{Dose}^{\gamma}}$$

Where E<sub>max</sub>, ED<sub>50</sub> and γ (gamma) values are given below:

Parameter	Estimate	%CV
ED50	189.1	90.7
E <sub>max</sub>	14.0	57.3
γ (gamma)	2.24	92.2

Although the firm used a curve linear function to fit the data, the ED50 value determined by the firm was less than the DBE's ED50 value and considered to be in the sensitive region of the curve. The pilot study is acceptable. The ED50 value of 120 minutes as selected for the pivotal study is acceptable.

## 2. PIVOTAL BIOEQUIVALENCE STUDY

Study No. 10428211

Study Design 2-treatment, 1-period, randomized study

No. of subjects enrolled 150

No. of subjects completed 150

No. of subjects with samples analyzed 47\*

\*NOTE: 47 of 55 met the qualifying criteria to be included in the statistical analysis.

Subjects

Sex(es) included (how many?) Male None Female 47

Test product Altana's Prednicarbate Emollient Cream, 0.1%, Lot No. N299,

Manufacture Date 03/04

Reference product Dermatop® Emollient Cream, 0.1%, Lot No. L135, Expiration Date 08/05

Strength tested 20 uL of 0.1%

Dose Durations 120 minutes

Summary of Statistical Analysis (Locke's Method) as reanalyzed by the reviewer:

Parameter	Point Estimate	90% Confidence Interval
AUEC	1.06	89.9-124.1

The study is **acceptable**. The 90% confidence interval for AUEC is within the acceptable limit of 80.0-125.0.

### E. Formulation

The test product formulation is shown in the review Appendix.

The inactive ingredients are within IIG limits. The formulation is acceptable.

### F. Comments:

None.

### G. Recommendations

The *in vivo* dose response study conducted by Altana on the reference product, Dermik Labs' Dermatop® Emollient Cream, 0.1%, Lot No. L135, and the *in vivo* pharmacodynamic bioequivalence study conducted by Altana on the test product, Prednicarbate Emollient Cream, 0.1%, lot # N299, comparing it with the reference product, Dermik Labs' Dermatop® Emollient Cream, 0.1%, lot # L135, have been found **acceptable** by the Division of Bioequivalence. The test product, Altana's Prednicarbate Emollient Cream, 0.1%, is bioequivalent to the reference product, Dermik Labs' Dermatop® Emollient Cream, 0.1%.

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Hoanhon Nguyen, Review Branch I

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Shrinivas Nerurkar, Ph.D., Team Leader, Review Branch I

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Dale P. Conner, Pharm.D.  
Director, Division of Bioequivalence  
Office of Generic Drugs

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#### IV. Appendix

##### A. Individual Study Reviews

##### 1. Pilot Dose Response Study

###### Study Information

**Study Number** 10428210

**Clinical Site** Novum Pharmaceutical Research Services, Houston, TX

**Investigators** Mark Elliot Levine, M.D., Christopher H. Hendy, Ph.D., C.S.Pavelka, M.D., and Braulio Espino-Suarez.

**Study/Dosing Date** June 26, 2004

**Statistician** Novum Pharmaceutical Research Services, Houston, TX

<b>Reference Product</b>	Dermatop® Emollient Cream, 0.1%
<b>Manufacturer</b>	Dermik Labs
<b>Batch/Lot No.</b>	L135
<b>Expiration Date</b>	08/05
<b>Strength</b>	0.1%
<b>Dosage Form</b>	Cream
<b>No. of Periods</b>	1
<b>No. of Groups</b>	1
<b>Randomization Scheme</b>	Yes
<b>Dose Durations</b>	0.08, 0.50, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6 and 8 hours
<b>Skin Blanching Reading Times</b>	0, 0.50, 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 20 and 24 hours
<b>IRB Approval</b>	Yes
<b>Informed Consent</b>	Yes
<b>Subject Screening</b>	Yes
<b>Length of Confinement</b>	10 hours predose to 32 hours postdose
<b>Safety Monitoring</b>	Blood pressure (sitting), pulse rate, respiratory rate and oral temperature were measured during check-in.

### Subject Demographics (N=20)

Age		Body Mass Index		Age Groups		Gender		Race	
				Range	%	Sex	%	Category	%
				<18	0.0			Caucasian	5.0
Mean	37.00	Mean	23.79	18-40	50.0	Male	0.0	Afr. Amer.	5.0
SD	12.20	SD	3.12	41-64	50.0	Female	100.0	Hispanic	75.0
Range	19	Range	18.9	65-75	0.0			Asian	15.0
	61		29.1	>75	0.0			Others	0.0

### Study Results

Summary of Statistical Analysis: (Firm's analysis)

Parameter	Estimate	%CV
ED50	120.1	5.3
E <sub>max</sub>	12.1	79.2

Summary of Statistical Analysis: (DBE's analysis) (See the analysis output in the review Appendix and Comments below)

Parameter	Estimate	%CV
ED50	189.1	90.7
E <sub>max</sub>	14.0	57.3
γ (gamma)	2.24	92.2

The pilot study was acceptable.

#### Comments:

The DBE reanalyzed the data in consultation with a DBE senior scientist. A sigmoidal function was fitted to the data of the pilot dose response study in the following form:

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## 2 Pivotal Bioequivalence Study

### Study Information

**Study Number** 10428211

**Clinical Site** Novum Pharmaceutical Research Services, Houston, TX

**Investigator** Mark Elliot Levine, M.D., Christopher H. Hendy, Ph.D., C.S.Pavelka, M.D., and Braulio Espino-Suarez.

### Study/Dosing Dates

Group 1	Subject Nos. 1-30	07/14/04
Group 2	Subject Nos. 31-60	07/17/04
Group 3	Subject Nos 61-90	07/24/04
Group 4	Subject Nos 91-120	07/31/04
Group 5	Subject Nos 121-150	08/21/04

**Statistician** Novum Pharmaceutical Research Services, Houston, TX

Treatment ID	Test	Reference
<b>Test or Reference Product</b>	Prednicarbate	Dermatop®
<b>Manufacturer</b>	Altana	Dermik Labs
<b>Batch/Lot No.</b>	N299	L135
<b>Manufacture Date</b>	03/04	
<b>Expiration Date</b>		08/05
<b>Batch Size</b>	(b) (4)	
<b>Strength</b>	0.1%	0.1%
<b>Potency</b>	99.1%	101.0%
<b>Dosage Form</b>	Cream	Cream
<b>Formulation</b>	See Appendix	
<b>No. of Periods</b>	1	
<b>No. of Groups</b>	5	
<b>Randomization Scheme</b>	Yes	
<b>Dose Duration</b>	120 minutes (D1 = 60 minutes, D2=240 minutes)	

<b>Chromameter Reading Times</b>	0, 0.5, 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 20 and 24 hours postdose
<b>IRB Approval</b>	Yes
<b>Informed Consent</b>	Yes
<b>Subject Screening</b>	Yes
<b>Length of Confinement</b>	Approximately 10 hours predose until 28 hours postdose.
<b>Safety Monitoring</b>	Blood pressure (sitting), pulse rate, respiratory rate and oral temperature were measured during check-in.

**Subject Demographics (N=47)**

Age		Body Mass Index		Age Groups		Gender		Race	
				Range	%	Sex	%	Category	%
				<18	0.0			Caucasian	15.8
Mean	31.97	Mean	24.23	18-40	76.3	Male	0.0	Afr. Amer.	7.9
SD	9.85	SD	2.99	41-64	23.7	Female	100.0	Hispanic	68.4
Range	18	Range	18.8	65-75	0.0			Asian	5.3
	49		29.9	>75	0.0			Others	2.6

**Study Results**

**Number of Subjects Enrolled:** 150

**Number of Subjects Completing:** 150

**Number of Subjects Analyzed:** 47

**Number of Subjects with  $D2/D1 \geq 1.25$ :** 47 according to the firm's and reviewer's analysis.

**Number of Subjects Analyzed by the Locke's Method:** 47 according to the firm's and reviewer's analysis.

**Adverse Events** No adverse event was reported.

**Protocol Deviations** There was no significant protocol deviation that could have compromised the study outcome.

**Statistical Analysis of Pharmacodynamic Data**

<b>Individual Subject D1 and D2</b>	Attachment 2
<b>Individual Subject AUEC</b>	Attachment 2
<b>90% Confidence Intervals (Locke's)</b>	Attachment 3
<b>Point Estimate</b>	Attachment 3

**Comments:**

- The firm included all subjects with  $D2/D1 \geq 1.25$  except for the subjects with both negative D2 and D1 values. The reviewer agreed with the firm's selection of evaluable subjects.

**Reviewer's Results: Comparison between Test #1 and Reference**

Mean AUEC			T/R%	Confidence Intervals
N	Test	Reference		
47	9.82	9.26	106.0%	89.9-124.1

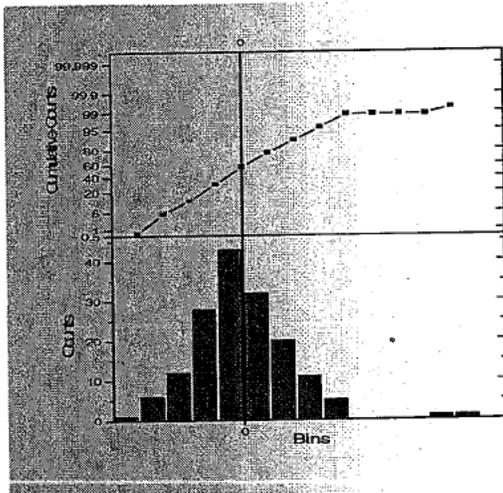
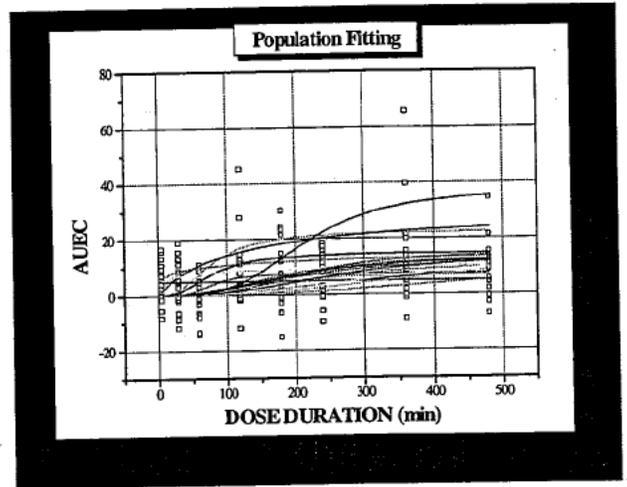
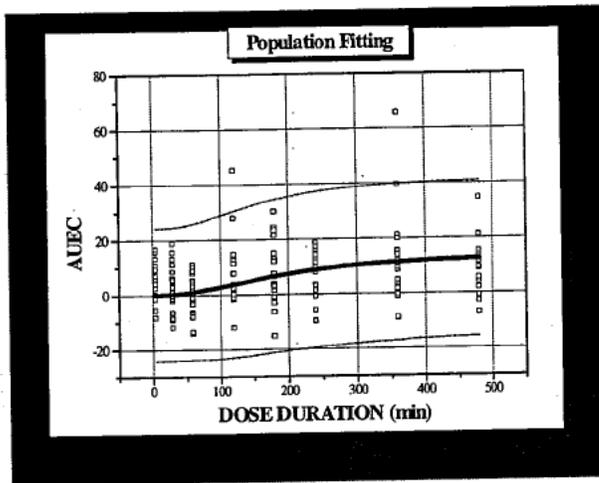
**Firm's Results: Comparison between Test #1 and Reference**

Mean AUEC			T/R%	Confidence Intervals
N	Test	Reference		
47	9.8	9.3	106.0%	89.9-124.0

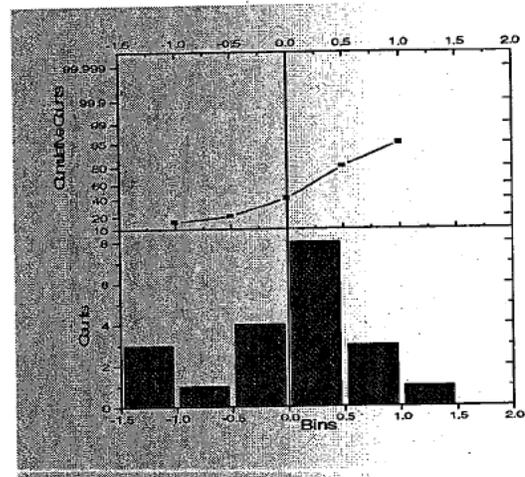
**Conclusion:** Based on the firm's analysis and the reviewer's reanalysis results above, the 90% confidence intervals for AUEC met the acceptable limit of 80.0-125.0. Therefore, the bioequivalence study is **acceptable**.

3. Attachments

Attachment 1: ANDA #77-287 Prednicarbate Emollient Cream, 0.1% - Pilot Study - Analysis by the DBE



Residual Frequency Plot



ED50 Frequency Plot

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#### Attachment 4: Test Formulation

Name of the Ingredient	Prednicarbate Cream (Altana) (w/w%)	Pharmaceutical function
Prednicarbate	0.1	Active ingredient
White Petrolatum USP	(b) (4)	
Purified Water USP		
Isopropyl Myristate NF		
Lanolin Alcohols NF		
Mineral Oil USP		
Cetostearyl Alcohol NF		
Aluminum Stearate		
Edetate Disodium USP		
Lactic Acid (b) (4) USP		
Magnesium Stearate NF		

**Comments:** The inactive ingredients are within IIG limits. The formulation is acceptable.

BIOEQUIVALENCY COMMENTS TO BE PROVIDED TO THE APPLICANT

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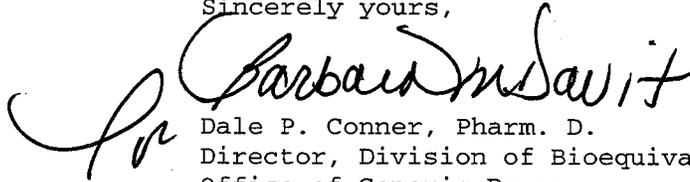
APPLICANT: Altana Inc.

DRUG PRODUCT: Prednicarbate Emollient Cream, 0.1%

The Division of Bioequivalence has completed its review and has no further questions at this time.

Please note that the bioequivalence comments provided in this communication are preliminary. These comments are subject to revision after review of the entire application, upon consideration of the chemistry, manufacturing and controls, microbiology, labeling, or other scientific or regulatory issues. Please be advised that these reviews may result in the need for additional bioequivalence information and/or studies, or may result in a conclusion that the proposed formulation is not approvable.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Dale P. Conner". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the left of the typed name and title.

Dale P. Conner, Pharm. D.  
Director, Division of Bioequivalence  
Office of Generic Drugs  
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BIOEQUIVALENCY - Acceptable

Submission date: 09-23-04

1. PILOT STUDY (STU)  
Clinical: Novum Pharm. Res. Services

Strength: 0.1%  
✓ Outcome: AC

2. PIVOTAL STUDY (STU)  
Clinical: Novum Pharm. Res. Services

Strength: 0.1%  
✓ Outcome: AC

OUTCOME DECISIONS: **IC** - Incomplete **UN** - Unacceptable (fatal flaw)  
**AC** - Acceptable

WINBIO COMMENTS:



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**VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS**

**Original Submission  
Abbreviated New Drug Application  
Prednicarbate Emollient Cream 0.1%**

Dear Sir or Madam:

Pursuant to Section 505(j) of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act and in accordance with the provisions under 21 CFR §314.94, Altana Inc. is submitting this Abbreviated New Drug Application to market a new drug, **Prednicarbate Emollient Cream 0.1%**.

The Reference Listed Drug (RLD) that is the basis for this submission is Dermatop<sup>®</sup> **Emollient Cream** (prednicarbate emollient cream 0.1%), Manufactured by Dermik Laboratories, NDA 20-279. Included in this Seven (7) volume submission, along with Form FDA 356h, is the required Patent Status and Exclusivity Statements; Draft Labeling; Bioequivalence Study; full Components and Composition statements; Raw Materials Controls, description of the Manufacturing Facilities, Manufacturing and Processing Instructions, In-Process Controls, Filling and Packaging procedures; Container/Closure System; controls for the Finished Dosage Form, Analytical Methods; Stability of the Finished Dosage Form; Environmental Assessment and Certification Requirements of the Generic Drug Enforcement Act of 1992.

The Exhibit Batch, Batch #N299, included in this application was fully packaged utilizing the <sup>(b) (4)</sup> 15 and 60 gram fill presentations for which approval is currently requested. The number of units filled for each packaging size and the disposition of any remaining bulk product are reconciled in the exhibit batch record.

An electronic copy of the bioequivalence data is provided in the front cover of Volume 2 of the application. All study data is prepared on CD Rom in SAS transport files (Version 5). The CD Rom also includes the appropriate data definition file (description of each SAS file and its contents and definition of each dataset variable) prepared in Adobe Acrobat.

In addition, an electronic copy of the proposed labeling is provided in the front cover of volume 1 of the application. All files are provided in PDF format (version 5.0). Section 5 of the paper ANDA also includes draft labeling for the proposed product along with the RLD labeling. In addition, Section 5 contains annotated side-by-side comparisons as well as the labeling limitation statement.

Altana's Prednicarbate Emollient Cream 0.1% contains the same active ingredient and is identical in strength, dosage form and route of administration to the RLD. The proposed drug is qualitatively and quantitatively equivalent to the RLD. As discussed with the Office of Generic Drugs' Regulatory Support Branch on September 21, 2004, a justification for the proposed drug formulation has been included in Sections 4 and 7 of the application.

Member of ALTANA Pharma AG

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**Original Submission  
Abbreviated New Drug Application  
Prednicarbate Emollient Cream 0.1%%**

**September 23, 2004  
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The information presented in this application supports the conclusion that the proposed drug is as safe and effective as the RLD for topical application in the treatment of inflammatory and pruritic manifestations of corticosteroid-responsive dermatoses.

Altana Inc. commits to assist the FDA Laboratories in validating the analytical methods associated with Prednicarbate Emollient Cream 0.1%. We understand that this validation may be performed post approval.

All regulatory correspondence related to this Abbreviated New Drug Application should be addressed to the following:

Ms. Audrey Zaweski  
*Associate Director*, Regulatory Affairs  
Altana Inc.  
60 Baylis Road  
Melville, NY 11747  
Telephone: (631) 454-7677 X 3007  
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A certified copy of the technical section and a copy of the Methods Validation package, are being sent to the New York District Office under separate cover.

Please advise if you require any additional information.

Sincerely,  
**ALTANA INC.**



Robert J. Anderson, Esq.  
*Senior Director*, Scientific Affairs

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Enclosures

NOV 24 2004

Altana Inc.  
Attention: Robert J. Anderson  
60 Baylis Road  
Melville, NY 11747  
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Dear Sir:

Please refer to your abbreviated new drug application (ANDA) dated September 23, 2004 submitted under Section 505(j) of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act for Prednicarbate Cream, 0.1%.

We have given your application a preliminary review, and we find that it is not sufficiently complete to merit a critical technical review.

We are refusing to receive this ANDA under 21 CFR 314.101(d)(3) for the following reasons:

You have failed to provide stability data required to support a <sup>(b)(4)</sup> month expiration date. Please submit three months accelerated testing or twelve months long term testing. We refer you to the CDER Guideline for Submitting Documentation for the Stability of Human Drugs and Biologics.

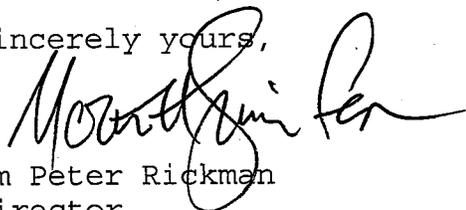
Thus, it will not be received as an abbreviated new drug application within the meaning of Section 505(j) of the Act.

In addition, your electronic labeling submission does not meet the requirements outlined in the guidance, "Providing Regulatory Submissions in Electronic Format-ANDAs". Please send a corrected version as an amendment to the application.

Upon receipt of this communication, you may either amend your application to correct the deficiencies or withdraw your application under 21 CFR 314.99. If you have any questions please call:

Arianne Camphire  
Project Manager  
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Sincerely yours,

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Wm Peter Rickman  
Director

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ANDA 77-287

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ANDA Refuse to Receive!

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December 2, 2004

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ANDA 77-287

**Prednicarbate Emollient Cream, 0.1%**

**AMENDMENT – RESPONSE TO REFUSE TO RECEIVE**

Dear Mr. Rickman:

Reference is made to the Altana Inc. Abbreviated New Drug Application (ANDA) submitted on September 23, 2004 pursuant to Section 505(j) of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act for Prednicarbate Emollient Cream, 0.1%.

Reference is also made to the FDA “Refuse to Receive” correspondence dated November 24, 2004. As stated in this correspondence, FDA is refusing to receive this ANDA under 21 CFR 314.101(d)(3) for the following reasons:

**You have failed to provide stability data required to support a <sup>(b) (4)</sup> month expiration date. Please submit three months accelerated testing or twelve months long term testing. We refer you to the CDER Guideline for Submitting Documentation for the Stability of Human Drugs and Biologics.**

Altana Inc. has prepared this Amendment response in order to address the comments provided in the November 24, 2004 “Refuse to Receive” correspondence. Altana’s ANDA should be sufficiently complete to merit a technical review.

**STABILITY DATA**

As requested, Altana Inc. is providing the three months accelerated stability reports for the exhibit batch (N299). Please refer to **Attachment I**.

At this time, the Altana ANDA should be received as an abbreviated new drug application within the meaning of Section 505(j) of the Act.

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**ANDA 77-287**

**Prednicarbate Cream, 0.1%**

**AMENDMENT – RESPONSE TO REFUSE TO RECEIVE**

**December 2, 2004**

**Page 2 of 2**

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If you have any questions or require additional information please contact Ms. Audrey Zaweski, *Associate Director*, Regulatory Affairs at (631) 454-7677, extension 3007. Fax communications may be made to (631) 756-5114.

Sincerely,

**ALTANA INC.**

*Audrey Zaweski* <sup>for/</sup>

Robert J. Anderson, Esq.

*Senior Director, Scientific Affairs*

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Attachment

JAN 26 2005

Altana Inc.  
Attention: Robert J. Anderson  
60 Baylis Road  
Melville, NY 11747  
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Dear Sir:

We acknowledge the receipt of your abbreviated new drug application submitted pursuant to Section 505(j) of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act.

Reference is also made to our "Refuse to Receive" letter dated November 24, 2004 and your amendment dated December 2, 2004.

NAME OF DRUG: Prednicarbate Cream, 0.1%

DATE OF APPLICATION: September 23, 2004

DATE (RECEIVED) ACCEPTABLE FOR FILING: December 3, 2004

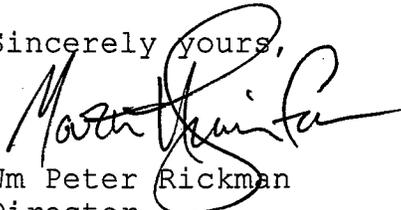
We will correspond with you further after we have had the opportunity to review your application.

Please identify any communications concerning this application with the number shown above.

Should you have questions concerning this application contact:

Ann Vu  
Project Manager  
(301) 827-5848

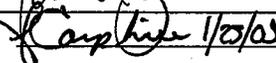
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ANDA 77-287

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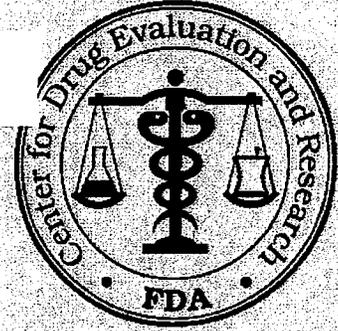
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ANDA Acknowledgment Letter!

# MINOR AMENDMENT

ANDA 77-287

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APPLICANT: Altana, Inc.

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ATTN: Audrey Zaweski

FAX: 631-756-5114

FROM: Thuyanh (Ann) Vu

PROJECT MANAGER: (301) 827-5754

Dear Madam:

This facsimile is in reference to your abbreviated new drug application dated September 23, 2004, submitted pursuant to Section 505(j) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act for Prednicarbate Cream, 0.1%.

Reference is also made to your amendment dated December 2, 2004.

The application is deficient and, therefore, Not Approvable under Section 505 of the Act for the reasons provided in the attachments ( pages). This facsimile is to be regarded as an official FDA communication and unless requested, a hard copy will not be mailed.

The file on this application is now closed. You are required to take an action described under 21 CFR 314.120 which will either amend or withdraw the application. Your amendment should respond to all of the deficiencies listed. Facsimiles or partial replies will not be considered for review, nor will the review clock be reactivated until all deficiencies have been addressed. The response to this facsimile will be considered to represent a MINOR AMENDMENT and will be reviewed according to current OGD policies and procedures. The designation as a MINOR AMENDMENT should appear prominently in your cover letter. You have been/will be notified in a separate communication from our Division of Bioequivalence of any deficiencies identified during our review of your bioequivalence data. If you have substantial disagreement with our reasons for not approving this application, you may request an opportunity for a hearing.

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**CHEMISTRY COMMENTS TO BE PROVIDED TO THE APPLICANT**

ANDA: 77-287 APPLICANT: Altana Inc.

DRUG PRODUCT: Prednicarbate Cream, 0.1%

The deficiencies presented below represent MINOR deficiencies.

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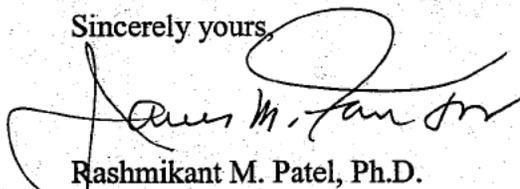
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B. In addition to responding to the deficiencies presented above, please note and acknowledge the following comments in your response:

The Bioequivalency and Labeling information you have provided is pending review. After the reviews are completed, any deficiencies found will be communicated to you separately.

Sincerely yours,



Rashmikant M. Patel, Ph.D.

Director

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July 28, 2005

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**VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS**

**ANDA 77-287**

**Prednicarbate Cream 0.1% (Emollient)**

**LABELING AMENDMENT**

Dear Mr. Rickman:

Reference is made to the ALTANA Inc Abbreviated New Drug Application submitted on September 23, 2004 pursuant to Section 505(j) of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act for Prednicarbate Cream 0.1% (Emollient).

ALTANA acknowledges the FDA correspondence dated June 29, 2005 citing labeling deficiencies. Each item has been addressed in **comment** / response format.

**1. GENERAL COMMENT [ALL LABELING]**

**The established name of this product is Prednicarbate Cream, 0.1%. Please revise your labels and labeling accordingly. If you prefer, you may include "Emollient" after the established name as follows: "Prednicarbate Cream (Emollient)" or after the established name and strength "Prednicarbate Cream 0.1% (Emollient)".**

ALTANA has revised the labels and labeling to read "Prednicarbate Cream 0.1% (Emollient)".

**2. CONTAINER: ( <sup>(b) (4)</sup> 15 gram, 60 gram tubes) – See general comment.**

ALTANA has revised the container label for the <sup>(b) (4)</sup> 15 gram and 60 gram tube sizes to read "Prednicarbate Cream 0.1% (Emollient)". Twelve (12) copies of the final printed labeling are included as **Attachment I**.

**3. CARTON: (15 gram, 60 gram) - See general comment.**

ALTANA has revised the carton label for the 15 gram and 60 gram tube sizes to read "Prednicarbate Cream 0.1% (Emollient)". Twelve (12) copies of the final printed labeling are included as **Attachment I**.

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**4. INSERT: See general comment.**

ALTANA has revised the package insert labeling to read "Prednicarbate Cream 0.1% (Emollient)". Twelve (12) copies of the final printed labeling are included as **Attachment I**.

**The electronic labeling rule published December 11, 2003, (68 FR 69009) requires submission of labeling content in electronic format effective June 8, 2004. For additional information, consult the guidance for industry regarding electronic submissions: Providing Regulatory Submissions in Electronic Format - ANDAs (issued 6/2002) (<http://www.fda.gov/cder/guidance/5004fnl.htm>). The guidance specifies labeling to be submitted in pdf format. To assist in our review, we request that labeling also be submitted in MS Word format.**

In accordance with the electronic labeling rule, ALTANA has provided the labeling content in electronic format. The labeling pieces have been provided in pdf format. To assist in FDA's review, the package insert labeling has also been provided in MS Word format. Please refer to the CD-ROM provided in the front cover of the Archival copy of the submission.

**Prior to approval, it may be necessary to revise your labeling subsequent to approved changes for the reference listed drug. In order to keep ANDA labeling current, we suggest that you subscribe to the daily or weekly updates of new documents posted on the CDER web site at the following address –**

**<http://www.fda.gov/cder/cdernew/listserv.html> or  
<http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/scripts/cder/drugsatfda/index.cfm>**

ALTANA acknowledges that prior to approval it may be necessary to further revise the labeling subsequent to approved changes for the reference listed drug. Altana will routinely monitor the following website for any approved changes-

**<http://www.fda.gov/cder/ogd/rld/labelingreviewbranch.html>**

**To facilitate review of your next submission, and in accordance with 21 CFR 314.94(a)(8)(iv), please provide a side-by-side comparison of your proposed labeling with your last submission with all differences annotated and explained.**

To facilitate review of this amendment and in accordance with 21 CFR 314.94(a)(8)(iv), a side-by-side comparison is provided with all the differences annotated and explained. See **Attachment II**.

ANDA 77-287  
Prednicarbate Cream 0.1% (Emollient)  
LABELING AMENDMENT  
July 28, 2005  
Page 3 of 3

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If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Ms. Audrey Zaweski, *Director*, Regulatory Affairs at (631) 454-7677 extension 3007. Fax communications can be made to (631) 756-5114.

Sincerely,

ALTANA INC

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Robert J. Anderson, Esq.  
*Vice President, Scientific Affairs*

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August 23, 2005

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**ANDA 77-287**

**Prednicarbate Cream 0.1% (Emollient)**

**MINOR AMENDMENT-RESPONSE TO CHEMISTRY DEFICIENCIES**

Dear Dr. Patel:

Reference is made to the ALTANA Inc Abbreviated New Drug Application dated September 23, 2004 submitted pursuant to Section 505(j) of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act for Prednicarbate Cream 0.1% (Emollient).

ALTANA Inc acknowledges the FDA correspondence dated July 8, 2005, citing Chemistry Deficiencies.

This correspondence has been identified as a MINOR AMENDMENT. Each item has been addressed in **comment** / response format.

**A. Deficiencies:**

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**B. In addition to responding to the deficiencies presented above, please note and acknowledge the following comments in your response:**

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ALTANA acknowledges that the Bioequivalency and Labeling information provided are pending review and that any deficiencies found will be communicated to ALTANA separately.

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## RECORD OF TELEPHONE CONVERSATION

<p>The call initiated in reference to the firm's Minor Amendment dated September 2, 2005. The Agency requested for additional long term stability data in support of their proposed expiration dating. The firm was asked to fax the request to the attention of James Fan at (301)540-0180 followed by hard copy in the mail.</p> <p>The firm agreed to the request.</p>	<b>DATE:</b> 9/26/05
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	<b>PRODUCT NAME:</b> Prednicarbate Cream, 0.1%
	<b>FIRM NAME:</b> Altana
	<b>FIRM REPRESENTATIVES:</b> Amy Byron
	<b>TELEPHONE NUMBER:</b> (631) 454-7677
	<b>FDA REPRESENTATIVES</b> James Fan, Raman Murali
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**Prednicarbate Cream 0.1% (Emollient)**

**TELEPHONE AMENDMENT-RESPONSE TO CHEMISTRY DEFICIENCIES**

Dear Dr. Patel:

Reference is made to the ALTANA Inc Abbreviated New Drug Application dated September 23, 2004 submitted pursuant to Section 505(j) of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act for Prednicarbate Cream 0.1% (Emollient).

Reference is also made to the teleconference held on September 26, 2005 between FDA and ALTANA representatives, where FDA cited the following chemistry deficiencies. This TELEPHONE AMENDMENT is being submitted in **comment** / response format.

1. **Please provide additional long-term stability data for Prednicarbate Cream 0.1% (Emollient) to support the proposed <sup>(b)(4)</sup> month expiry dating.**

Updated long-term stability data are provided as **Attachment I**. All data are within specification and support an <sup>(b)(4)</sup> month expiry period for Prednicarbate Cream 0.1% (Emollient).

ALTANA will submit <sup>(b)(4)</sup> month long-term stability to FDA immediately upon availability accompanied by a request for extension of the expiration date to <sup>(b)(4)</sup> months in a Changes Being Effected (CBE-0) supplemental application.

If you require additional information, please contact Ms. Audrey Zaweski, *Director*, Regulatory Affairs, at (631) 454-7677 ext. 3007. Fax communications may be made to (631) 756-5114.

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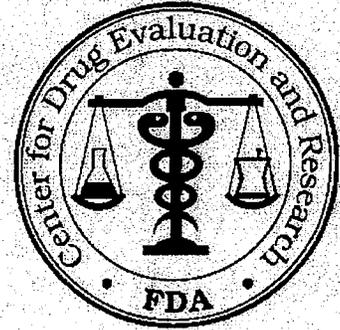
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APPLICANT: Altana, Inc.

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FROM: Thuyanh (Ann) Vu

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Dear Madam:

This facsimile is in reference to your abbreviated new drug application dated September 23, 2004, submitted pursuant to Section 505(j) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act for Prednicarbate Emollient Cream, 0.1%.

Reference is also made to your amendments dated August 23 and October 19, 2005.

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**CHEMISTRY COMMENTS TO BE PROVIDED TO THE APPLICANT**

ANDA: 77-287 APPLICANT: Altana Inc.

DRUG PRODUCT: Prednicarbate Cream, 0.1%

The deficiencies presented below represent MINOR deficiencies.

A. Deficiencies:

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B. In addition to responding to the deficiency presented above, please note and acknowledge the following comment in your response:

Please provide all available long-term drug product stability data.

Sincerely yours,

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Rashmikant M. Patel, Ph.D.

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January 27, 2006

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**Prednicarbate Cream 0.1% (Emollient)**

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**B. In addition to responding to the deficiencies presented above, please note and acknowledge the following comments in your response:**

**Please provide all available long-term drug product stability data.**

Available Long-term Controlled Room Temperature Stability data are provided as **Attachment IV**. These data support a 21-month expiry period for the 15 gram and 60 gram tubes sizes. ALTANA is withdrawing the <sup>(b) (4)</sup> tube size from consideration for approval with this application.

If you have any questions or require additional information please contact Ms. Audrey Zaweski, *Director*, Regulatory Affairs, at (631) 454-7677 ext. 3007. Fax communications may be made to (631) 756-5114.

Sincerely,

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*Audrey Zaweski* for

Robert J. Anderson, Esq.  
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April 4, 2006

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ANDA 77-287

**Prednicarbate Cream 0.1% (Emollient)**

**CHEMISTRY AMENDMENT – REVISION TO POST APPROVAL STABILITY PROTOCOL**

Dear Dr. Patel:

Reference is made to the ALTANA Inc Abbreviated New Drug Application dated September 23, 2004 submitted pursuant to Section 505(j) of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act for Prednicarbate Cream 0.1% (Emollient). Reference is also made to ALTANA's Minor Amendment submitted on January 27, 2006. To support the 21-month expiry period proposed in the January 27 Amendment, ALTANA is submitting a revised Post Approval Stability Protocol, which includes a 21-month stability test interval. A copy of the revised Post Approval Protocol is provided as **Attachment I**.

If you have any questions or require additional information please contact Ms. Audrey Zaweski, *Director, Regulatory Affairs*, at (631) 454-7677 ext. 3007. Fax communications may be made to (631) 756-5114.

Sincerely,

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OGD APPROVAL ROUTING SUMMARY

ANDA # 77-287 Applicant Altana, Inc.  
Drug Prednicarbate Cream Strength(s) 0.1%

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REVIEWER:

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1. Martin Shimer  
Chief, Reg. Support Branch

Contains GDEA certification: Yes No  
(required if sub after 6/1/92)

Patent/Exclusivity Certification: Yes No  
If Para. IV Certification- did applicant

Notify patent holder/NDA holder Yes No

Was applicant sued w/in 45 days: Yes No

Has case been settled: Yes No

Is applicant eligible for 180 day

Generic Drugs Exclusivity for each strength: Yes No

Date of latest Labeling Review/Approval Summary 8/10/2005

Any filing status changes requiring addition Labeling Review Yes  No

Type of Letter:

Comments: No patents/exclusivities in eligible for Full Approval

Determ. of Involvement? Yes No  
Pediatric Exclusivity System  
RLD = \_\_\_\_\_ NDA# \_\_\_\_\_  
Date Checked \_\_\_\_\_  
Nothing Submitted  
Written request issued  
Study Submitted  
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Date of Labeling Approv. Sum 08/10/05

Labeling Acceptable Email Rec'd Yes  No

Labeling Acceptable Email filed Yes  No

Date of Sterility Assur. App. n/a

Methods Val. Samples Pending Yes No

MV Commitment Rcd. from Firm Yes No

Acceptable Bio reviews tabbed Yes No

Suitability Petition/Pediatric Waiver

Pediatric Waiver Request Accepted Rejected Pending

Previously reviewed and tentatively approved

Previously reviewed and CGMP def. /NA Minor issued

Comments:

Modified-release dosage form: Yes No

Interim Dissol. Specs in AP Ltr: Yes

Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Date \_\_\_\_\_

3. David Read (PP IVs Only) Pre-MMA Language included

OGD Regulatory Counsel, Post-MMA Language Included

Comments:

Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Initials \_\_\_\_\_

4. Div. Dir./Deputy Dir.  
Chemistry Div. I II OR III

Comments:

Date 4/6/06  
Initials PS

CNC good

REVIEWER:

FINAL ACTION

5. Frank Holcombe First Generics Only  
Assoc. Dir. For Chemistry  
Comments: (First generic drug review)

*For Frank,*

Date 9/18/06  
Initials FR

*CMC OK Radhika Rajappan  
I am not sure of Paul's signature date. Amela came down late July '06.*

6. Vacant  
Deputy Dir., DLPS

Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Initials \_\_\_\_\_

7. Peter Rickman  
Director, DLPS

Date 9/19/06  
Initials PR

Para.IV Patent Cert: Yes No ; Pending Legal Action: Yes No ; Petition: Yes No

Comments:

*No patents no exclusivity  
Labeling acceptable 9/15/2006 per AP Summary  
Bio acceptable per Bio AP Summary 9/16/2005 (Dose Response Study & PK/PD  
EER small acceptable 1/28/2005 (Vasoconstrictor Study)  
OKAY for Full Approval*

8. Robert L. West  
Deputy Director, OGD

Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Initials \_\_\_\_\_

Para.IV Patent Cert: Yes No ; Pending Legal Action: Yes No ; Petition: Yes No

Comments:

9. Gary Buehler  
Director, OGD  
Comments:

Date 9/19/06  
Initials GB

First Generic Approval PD or Clinical for BE Special Scientific or Reg Issue

10. Project Manager, Team 3  
Review Support Branch

Date 09/19/06  
Initials RIA

\_\_\_\_ Date PETS checked for first generic drug (just prior to notification to firm)

Applicant notification:

11:05am Time notified of approval by phone 11:19am Time approval letter faxed

FDA Notification:

9/19/06 Date e-mail message sent to "CDER-OGDAPPROVALS" distribution list.  
9/19/06 Date Approval letter copied to \\CDS014\DRUGAPP\ directory.