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APPLICATION NUMBER:
22-157

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PATENT CERTIFICATION

In the opinion and to the best knowledge of UCB, Inc., there are no patents, other than the patents owned by UCB, Belgium, that claim the reference listed drug or any other drug on which investigations are relied upon for approval of this application were conducted by or for someone other than applicant, or that claim a use of such drugs for which applicant is seeking approval under this subsection.

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Patricia A Fritz
Vice President, Global Regulatory Affairs
UCB, Inc.

**PATENT INFORMATION SUBMITTED WITH THE
FILING OF AN NDA, AMENDMENT, OR SUPPLEMENT**
*For Each Patent That Claims a Drug Substance
(Active Ingredient), Drug Product (Formulation and
Composition) and/or Method of Use*

NDA NUMBER

22-157

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DOSAGE FORM

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1. GENERAL

a. United States Patent Number

U.S. Patent No. 4,525,358

b. Issue Date of Patent

6/25/1985

c. Expiration Date of Patent

6/25/2007

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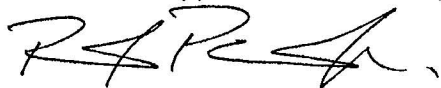
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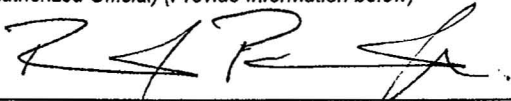
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EXCLUSIVITY SUMMARY

NDA # 22-157

SUPPL #

HFD # 570

Trade Name Xyzal oral solution

Generic Name levocetirizine dihydrochloride

Applicant Name UCB

Approval Date, If Known

PART I IS AN EXCLUSIVITY DETERMINATION NEEDED?

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

a) Is it a 505(b)(1), 505(b)(2) or efficacy supplement?

YES ☒ NO ☐

If yes, what type? Specify 505(b)(1), 505(b)(2), SE1, SE2, SE3, SE4, SE5, SE6, SE7, SE8

505(b)(2)

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

YES ☐ NO ☒

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

The applicant conducted one clinical pharmacology study in 24 healthy volunteers to assess the bioequivalence of 10 ml levocetirizine dihydrochloride 0.5 mg/ml oral solution with levocetirizine dihydrochloride 5 mg oral tablet.

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

d) Did the applicant request exclusivity?

YES ☐ NO ☒

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

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

YES ☐ NO ☒

If the answer to the above question in YES, is this approval a result of the studies submitted in response to the Pediatric Written Request?

IF YOU HAVE ANSWERED "NO" TO ALL OF THE ABOVE QUESTIONS, GO DIRECTLY TO THE SIGNATURE BLOCKS AT THE END OF THIS DOCUMENT.

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

YES ☐ NO ☒

IF THE ANSWER TO QUESTION 2 IS "YES," GO DIRECTLY TO THE SIGNATURE BLOCKS ON PAGE 8 (even if a study was required for the upgrade).

PART II FIVE-YEAR EXCLUSIVITY FOR NEW CHEMICAL ENTITIES

(Answer either #1 or #2 as appropriate)

1. Single active ingredient product.

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

YES ☒ NO ☐

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

NDA#	19-835	Cetirizine hydrochloride oral tablets; OTC
	22-155	Cetirizine hydrochloride oral syrup, 1mg/ml: OTC
	21-621	Cetirizine hydrochloride chewable tablets; OTC
	21-150	Cetirizine hydrochloride/pseudoephedrine ER tablets; OTC
NDA#	20-346	Cetirizine oral liquid; Rx
NDA#	22-064	Levocetirizine dihydrochloride oral tablets; Rx

2. Combination product.

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

YES ☐ NO ☐

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

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IF THE ANSWER TO QUESTION 1 OR 2 UNDER PART II IS "NO," GO DIRECTLY TO THE SIGNATURE BLOCKS ON PAGE 8. (Caution: The questions in part II of the summary should only be answered "NO" for original approvals of new molecular entities.)
IF "YES," GO TO PART III.

PART III THREE-YEAR EXCLUSIVITY FOR NDAs AND SUPPLEMENTS

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

1. Does the application contain reports of clinical investigations? (The Agency interprets "clinical investigations" to mean investigations conducted on humans other than bioavailability studies.) If

the application contains clinical investigations only by virtue of a right of reference to clinical investigations in another application, answer "yes," then skip to question 3(a). If the answer to 3(a) is "yes" for any investigation referred to in another application, do not complete remainder of summary for that investigation.

YES ☐ NO ☒

IF "NO," GO DIRECTLY TO THE SIGNATURE BLOCKS ON PAGE 8.

2. A clinical investigation is "essential to the approval" if the Agency could not have approved the application or supplement without relying on that investigation. Thus, the investigation is not essential to the approval if 1) no clinical investigation is necessary to support the supplement or application in light of previously approved applications (i.e., information other than clinical trials, such as bioavailability data, would be sufficient to provide a basis for approval as an ANDA or 505(b)(2) application because of what is already known about a previously approved product), or 2) there are published reports of studies (other than those conducted or sponsored by the applicant) or other publicly available data that independently would have been sufficient to support approval of the application, without reference to the clinical investigation submitted in the application.

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

YES ☐ NO ☐

If "no," state the basis for your conclusion that a clinical trial is not necessary for approval AND GO DIRECTLY TO SIGNATURE BLOCK ON PAGE 8:

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

YES ☐ NO ☐

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

YES ☐ NO ☐

If yes, explain:

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

YES ☐ NO ☐

If yes, explain:

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

Studies comparing two products with the same ingredient(s) are considered to be bioavailability studies for the purpose of this section.

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

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

Investigation #1 YES ☐ NO ☐

Investigation #2 YES ☐ NO ☐

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

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

Investigation #1 YES ☐ NO ☐

Investigation #2 YES ☐ NO ☐

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

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

Investigation #2 !
IND.# YES ☐ ! NO ☐
! Explain:

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Investigation #1

YES ☐

Explain:

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! NO ☐

! Explain:

Investigation #2

YES ☐

Explain:

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! NO ☐

! Explain:

(c) Notwithstanding an answer of "yes" to (a) or (b), are there other reasons to believe that the applicant should not be credited with having "conducted or sponsored" the study? (Purchased studies may not be used as the basis for exclusivity. However, if all rights to the drug are purchased (not just studies on the drug), the applicant may be considered to have sponsored or conducted the studies sponsored or conducted by its predecessor in interest.)

YES ☐

NO ☐

If yes, explain:

Name of person completing form: Lori Garcia, RPh

Title: Senior Regulatory Management Officer

Date: 1/16/08

Name of Office/Division Director signing form: Badrul A. Chowdhury, MD, PhD

Title: Division Director/DPAP

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/s/

Badrul Chowdhury
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PEDIATRIC PAGE

(Complete for all filed original applications and efficacy supplements)

NDA/BLA #: 22-157 Supplement Type (e.g. SE5): _____ Supplement Number: _____

Stamp Date: March 28, 2007 PDUFA Goal Date: 1/28/08

HFD 570 Trade and generic names/dosage form: Xyzal (levocetirizine) Oral Soln

Applicant: UCB, Inc Therapeutic Class: Anithistamine

Does this application provide for new active ingredient(s), new indication(s), new dosage form, new dosing regimen, or new route of administration? *

- ☐ ~~xx~~ Yes. Please proceed to the next question.
☐ No. PREA does not apply. Skip to signature block.

* SE5, SE6, and SE7 submissions may also trigger PREA. If there are questions, please contact the Rosemary Addy or Grace Carmouze.

Indication(s) previously approved (please complete this section for supplements only): _____

Each indication covered by current application under review must have pediatric studies: *Completed, Deferred, and/or Waived.*

Number of indications for this application(s): 3

Indication #1: seasonal allergic rhinitis

Is this an orphan indication?

- ☐ Yes. PREA does not apply. Skip to signature block.
☐ ~~xx~~ No. Please proceed to the next question.

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

- ☐ Yes: Please proceed to Section A.
☐ ~~xx~~ No: Please check all that apply: XX Partial Waiver XX Deferral Completed

NOTE: More than one may apply

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

Section A: Fully Waived Studies

Reason(s) for full waiver:

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

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

Section B: Partially Waived Studies

Age/weight range being partially waived (fill in applicable criteria below):

Min _____ kg _____ mo. _____ yr. <2 Tanner Stage _____
 Max _____ kg _____ mo. _____ yr. Tanner Stage _____

Reason(s) for partial waiver:

- ☐ Products in this class for this indication have been studied/labeled for pediatric population
☒ ~~XX Disease/condition does not exist (or is difficult to diagnose) in children~~
☐ Too few children with disease to study
☐ There are safety concerns
☐ Adult studies ready for approval
☐ Formulation needed
☐ Other: _____
☐ _____

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

Section C: Deferred Studies

Age/weight range being deferred (fill in applicable criteria below):

Min _____ kg _____ mo. _____ yr. 2yrs Tanner Stage _____
 Max _____ kg _____ mo. _____ yr. <6yrs Tanner Stage _____

Reason(s) for deferral:

- ☐ Products in this class for this indication have been studied/labeled for pediatric population
☐ Disease/condition does not exist in children
☐ Too few children with disease to study
☐ There are safety concerns
☒ ~~xx Children 6 years and older - studies ready for approval (NDA 22-157 Xyzal Oral Soln)~~
☐ Formulation needed
☒ ~~Other: Additional safety data needed in the 2 to <6 y/o age group~~

Date studies are due (mm/dd/yy): TBD

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

Section D: Completed Studies

Age/weight range of completed studies (fill in applicable criteria below):

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

Comments:

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

Attachment A

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

Indication #2: perennial allergic rhinitis

Is this an orphan indication?

☐ Yes. PREA does not apply. Skip to signature block.☒ ~~xx~~No. Please proceed to the next question.

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

☐ Yes: Please proceed to Section A.☒ ~~xx~~No. Please check all that apply: XX Partial Waiver XX Deferral Completed

NOTE: More than one may apply

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

Section A: Fully Waived Studies

Reason(s) for full waiver:

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

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

Section B: Partially Waived Studies

Age/weight range being partially waived (fill in applicable criteria below)::

Min _____	kg _____	mo. <6 _____	yr. _____	Tanner Stage _____
Max _____	kg _____	mo. _____	yr. _____	Tanner Stage _____

Reason(s) for partial waiver:

- ☐ Products in this class for this indication have been studied/labeled for pediatric population
- ☒ ~~XX~~ Disease/condition does not exist in children (or is difficult to diagnose in this age group).
- ☐ Too few children with disease to study
- ☐ There are safety concerns
- ☐ Adult studies ready for approval
- ☐ Formulation needed
- ☐ Other: _____

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

Section C: Deferred Studies

Age/weight range being deferred (fill in applicable criteria below)::

Min _____ kg _____ mo. 6 yr _____ Tanner Stage _____
Max _____ kg _____ mo. _____ yr. <6 Tanner Stage _____

Reason(s) for deferral:

- ☐ Products in this class for this indication have been studied/labeled for pediatric population
- ☐ Disease/condition does not exist in children
- ☐ Too few children with disease to study
- ☐ There are safety concerns
- ☒ ~~xx~~Children 6 years and older— studies ready for approval (NDA 22-157 Xyzal Oral Soln)
- ☐ Formulation needed
- ☒ Other: Additional safety data needed in the 2 to <6 y.o. age group.

Date studies are due (mm/dd/yy): TBD

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

Section D: Completed Studies

Age/weight range of completed studies (fill in applicable criteria below):

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

Comments:

Attachment A

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

Indication #3: chronic idiopathic urticaria

Is this an orphan indication?

☐ Yes. PREA does not apply. Skip to signature block.☒ ~~No. Please proceed to the next question.~~

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

☐ Yes: Please proceed to Section A.☒ ~~No.~~ Please check all that apply: XX Partial Waiver XX Deferral Completed

NOTE: More than one may apply

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

Section A: Fully Waived Studies

Reason(s) for full waiver:

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

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

Section B: Partially Waived Studies

Age/weight range being partially waived (fill in applicable criteria below)::

Min _____	kg _____	mo. <u><6</u>	yr. _____	Tanner Stage _____
Max _____	kg _____	mo. _____	yr. _____	Tanner Stage _____

Reason(s) for partial waiver:

- ☐ Products in this class for this indication have been studied/labeled for pediatric population
- ☒ ~~XX Disease/condition does not exist in children (or is difficult to diagnose in this age group).~~
- ☐ Too few children with disease to study
- ☐ There are safety concerns
- ☐ Adult studies ready for approval
- ☐ Formulation needed
- ☐ Other: _____

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

Section C: Deferred Studies

Age/weight range being deferred (fill in applicable criteria below):

Min _____	kg _____	mo. <u>6</u>	yr _____	Tanner Stage _____
Max _____	kg _____	mo. _____	yr. <u><6</u>	Tanner Stage _____

Reason(s) for deferral:

- ☐ Products in this class for this indication have been studied/labeled for pediatric population
- ☐ Disease/condition does not exist in children
- ☐ Too few children with disease to study
- ☐ There are safety concerns
- ☒ ~~XX Children 6 years and older - studies ready for approval (NDA 22-157 Xyzal Oral Soln)~~
- ☐ Formulation needed
- ☒ Other: Additional safety data needed in the 6-month to <6 y.o. age group.

Date studies are due (mm/dd/yy): TBD*If studies are completed, proceed to Section D. Otherwise, this Pediatric Page is complete and should be entered into DFS.***Section D: Completed Studies**

Age/weight range of completed studies (fill in applicable criteria below):

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

Comments:

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

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{See appended electronic signature page}

Lori Garcia, R.Ph., Regulatory Project Manager

FOR QUESTIONS ON COMPLETING THIS FORM CONTACT THE PEDIATRIC AND MATERNAL HEALTH STAFF at 301-796-0700

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DEBARMENT CERTIFICATION STATEMENT

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

Aaron Bartlone 12/03/2007

Aaron Bartlone

Vice President, Global Preclinical/Clinical Quality Assurance
UCB, Inc.



Garcia, Lori

From: Tegtmeyer Susan [Susan.Tegtmeyer@ucb-group.com]
Sent: Monday, January 28, 2008 3:36 PM
To: Garcia, Lori
Subject: RE: Xyzal letter

Received
Thanks,
Susan

-----Original Message-----

From: Garcia, Lori [mailto:lori.garcia@fda.hhs.gov]
Sent: Monday, January 28, 2008 2:36 PM
To: Tegtmeyer Susan
Subject: Xyzal letter

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Hi Susan,

Here's the action letter for Xyzal. *Please confirm receipt.*

Contact me if you have any questions.

Thanks,

Lori

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From: Tegtmeyer Susan [Susan.Tegtmeyer@ucb-group.com]
Sent: Friday, November 02, 2007 10:22 AM
To: Garcia, Lori
Subject: RE: NDA 22-157 (Xyzal oral solution)

Attachments: emfinfo.txt

Dear Lori,

For the November 7 submission of the revised PI and packaging, we'll (b) (4)

Regards,
Susan

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From: Thrower Sherri
Sent: Friday, November 02, 2007 10:13 AM
To: lori.garcia@fda.hhs.gov
Cc: Tegtmeyer Susan
Subject: NDA 22-157 (Xyzal oral solution)

Good morning Lori

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A formal letter will be submitted to the NDA in the following days.

Best regards,

Sherri N Thrower
Sr. Regulatory Affairs Associate - CMC
UCB, Inc.
770-591-0574

Garcia, Lori

From: Garcia, Lori
Sent: Thursday, January 10, 2008 1:06 PM
Subject: Gilbert McClain, Lydia I; Boucher, Robert
FW: DFS Email - N 022157 N 000 27-Mar-2007 - Review

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Here's the labeling review from SEALD. Word doc with tracked changes is attached.

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From: Furness, Melissa
Sent: Wednesday, January 09, 2008 6:19 PM
To: Garcia, Lori
Cc: Araojo, Richardae; Burke, Laurie B
Subject: FW: DFS Email - N 022157 N 000 27-Mar-2007 - Review

Hi Lori,

I just noticed that when our Word file was converted to Adobe all of our track changes comments and text were not included in the converted file in DFS. Consequently, please recalculate the Word file that I sent your via e-mail, instead.

Thanks,

Melissa

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From: cderdocadmin@cder.fda.gov [mailto:cderdocadmin@cder.fda.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, January 09, 2008 6:13 PM
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Reviewed 01-07-08 Draft Label from DPAP. Reviewed in Collaboration
with Maternal Health Team.

Laurie Burke
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Submission Description: NDA for Xyzal oral solution submitted for evaluation of Microbial Limits and Antimicrobial Preservative Effectiveness.

Author(s)/Discipline(s)

1. Vinayak Pawar, MICROBIOLOGIST

Signer(s)

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NDA 22-157

UCB, Inc.
1950 Lake Park Drive
Smyrna, Georgia 30080

Attention: Patricia Fritz
Vice President
Global Regulatory Affairs

Dear Ms. Fritz:

Please refer to your new drug application dated March 27, 2007, received March 28, 2007, submitted under section 505(b) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act for Xyzal (levocetirizine dihydrochloride) 0.5mg/mL Oral Solution.

The attached Prescription Information (PI) labeling contains revisions we have made in order to comply with the Pediatric Research Equity Act of 2007 (PREA).

FDA-proposed insertions to the PI are underlined and deletions, if any, are in strike-out. Be advised that these labeling changes are not necessarily the Agency's final recommendations and that additional labeling changes may be forthcoming as the label is reviewed by other offices within the Agency.

We request that you submit your revised draft labeling and/or comments by January 8, 2008.

If you have any questions, call Lori Garcia, Senior Regulatory Management Officer, at 301-796-1212.

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INFORMATION REQUEST LETTER

NDA 22-157

UCB, Inc.
1950 Lake Park Drive
Smyrna, Georgia 30080

Attention: Patricia Fritz
Vice President
Global Regulatory Affairs

Dear Ms. Fritz:

Please refer to your New Drug Application (NDA) submitted under section 505(b) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act for Xyzal (levocetirizine dihydrochloride) 0.5mg/mL Oral Solution.

We have the following comment regarding the Chemistry, Manufacturing and Controls section of your submission. We request a prompt written response in order to continue our evaluation of your NDA.

1. The 5 mg/10 mL volume of levocetirizine dihydrochloride oral solution may be dispensed in the 15 mL and 150 mL glass bottles, (b) (4)

If you have any questions, call LCDR Lori Garcia, Senior Regulatory Project Manager, at (301) 796-1212.

Sincerely,

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Ali Al Hakim, Ph.D.
Chief, Branch II
Division of Pre-Marketing Assessment I
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FILING COMMUNICATION

NDA 22-157

UCB, Inc.
1950 Lake Park Drive
Smyrna, Georgia 30080

Attention: Patricia Fritz
Vice President
Global Regulatory Affairs

Dear Ms. Fritz:

Please refer to your March 27, 2007, new drug application (NDA) submitted under section 505(b) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act for Xyzal (levocetirizine dihydrochloride) 0.5mg/mL Oral Solution.

We have completed our filing review and have determined that your application is sufficiently complete to permit a substantive review. Therefore, this application has been filed under section 505(b) of the Act on May 27, 2007, in accordance with 21 CFR 314.101(a).

Our filing review is only a preliminary evaluation of the application and is not indicative of deficiencies that may be identified during our review. Issues may be added, deleted, expanded upon, or modified as we review the application.

We request that you submit the following information:

1. The analytical report submitted with Study A00318 is for the determination of cetirizine dihydrochloride in human plasma. Study A00318 is a bioequivalence study measuring levocetirizine in human plasma. Provide the correct analytical report, i.e. for levocetirizine.
2. Provide individual subject data listings indicating calendar dates of screening, discharge from the clinic, last follow-up visit and dosing (both periods).
3. In the cover letter of your March 27, 2007, NDA submission, you state that nonclinical data are not submitted in this NDA, but cross-referenced to NDA 22-064. However, in the CTD map, under Module 2, 2.6 Nonclinical Written and Tabulated Summaries, and under Module 4, Nonclinical Pharmacology and Toxicology, you state that these items are "Not Required for This Submission." This statement is not acceptable for these sections of the CTD. Revise these sections to reflect the fact that the necessary nonclinical data are provided via cross-reference to NDA 22-064.

4. Amend this NDA with content of labeling in structured product labeling (SPL) format to include the changes approved in NDA 22-064.
5. Submit patent certification(s) as required under 21 CFR 314.50(i).

Please respond to the above requests for additional information. While we anticipate that any response submitted in a timely manner will be reviewed during this review cycle, such review decisions will be made on a case-by-case basis at the time of receipt of the submission.

If you have any questions, call Lori Garcia, Regulatory Project Manager, at (301) 796-1212.

Sincerely,

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Badrul A. Chowdhury, M.D., Ph.D.
Director
Division of Pulmonary Allergy Products
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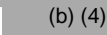



Attention: Patricia Fritz
Vice President
Global Regulatory Affairs

Dear Ms. Fritz:

Please refer to your March 27, 2007, new drug application (NDA) submitted under section 505(b) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act for Xyzal (levocetirizine dihydrochloride) 0.5mg/mL Oral Solution.

Our review of the Chemistry, Manufacturing and Controls section of your submission is complete, and we have identified the following deficiencies:

1. The following comments pertain to the report on extractables/leachables that appears on pp. 19-46 of 3.2.P.2.
 - a. It states that, with the exception of (b) (4), the observed extractables/leachables components are compliant with the 21 Code of Federal Regulations. Provide the specific references to the 21 CFR for each of these eight components.
 - b. Provide any information known about the origin of the various listed components, i.e., from the (b) (4) bottles, the labels, the label adhesive.
 - c. Provide more specific structural information with regard to the (b) (4) extractables that are merely referred to as (b) (4).
 - d. Considering the nine extractables/leachables that were included in table 3 on p. 23 in the P.2 section, clarify the significance of the (b) (4)

- e. Additional comments may be forthcoming based upon your responses to the above four inquiries and our subsequent evaluation in view of the other information contained in your extractables/leachables report.
2. Additional comments regarding the microbiological testing, preservative effectiveness studies, and associated specifications may be forthcoming.
 3. Revise the chiral and achiral HPLC methods to include a list of typical or expected retention times for the various potential degradants, process impurities, and excipient-related compounds.
 4.  (b) (4)
 5. Provide the reason(s) for the development of  (b) (4) as an alternate method to the current  (b) (4).
 6. Provide validation data for  (b) (4)

 7. Reduce the acceptance criterion for drug product total related substances to a level that is more consistent with your data and the proposals that have been made for the individual identified and unidentified impurities. A limit of NMT 1.0%, for example, would still allow sufficient flexibility in terms of future expected manufacturing and analytical variability, as well as allow for expiry extension.
 8.  (b) (4)
 9. Drug Master File (b) (4) from (b) (4) was reviewed and was found

to be deficient. A deficiency letter was forwarded to the holder.

10. We have the following preliminary comments regarding the labels/labeling.

- a. Revise the chemical structure in the DESCRIPTION section of the package insert such that the correct stereochemistry is displayed.
- b. Revise the HOW SUPPLIED/STORAGE AND HANDLING section of the prescribing information to specifically list (b) (4) the (b) (4) glass 5 ounce bottles.

We are providing these comments to you before we complete our review of the entire application to give you preliminary notice of issues that we have identified. In conformance with the prescription drug user fee reauthorization agreements, these comments do not reflect a final decision on the information reviewed and should not be construed to do so. These comments are preliminary and subject to change as we finalize our review of your application. In addition, we may identify other information that must be provided before we can approve this application. If you respond to these issues during this review cycle, depending on the timing of your response, and in conformance with the user fee reauthorization agreements, we may not be able to consider your response before we take an action on your application during this review cycle.

If you have any questions, call Lori Garcia, Regulatory Project Manager, at 301-796-1212.

Sincerely,

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Blair A. Fraser, Ph.D.
Chief, Branch II
Division of Pre-Marketing Assessment I
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NDA 22-157

NDA ACKNOWLEDGMENT

UCB, Inc.
1950 Lake Park Drive
Smyrna, Georgia 30080

Attention: Patricia Fritz
Vice President
Global Regulatory Affairs

Dear Ms. Fritz:

We have received your new drug application (NDA) submitted under section 505(b) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act for the following:

Name of Drug Product:	Xyzal (levocetirizine dihydrochloride) 0.5mg/mL oral solution
Review Priority Classification:	Standard (S)
Date of Application:	March 27, 2007
Date of Receipt:	March 28, 2007
Our Reference Number:	NDA 22-157

Unless we notify you within 60 days of the receipt date that the application is not sufficiently complete to permit a substantive review, we will file the application on May 27, 2007, in accordance with 21 CFR 314.101(a). If the application is filed, the user fee goal date will be January 28, 2008.

All applications for new active ingredients, new dosage forms, new indications, new routes of administration, and new dosing regimens are required to contain an assessment of the safety and effectiveness of the product in pediatric patients unless this requirement is waived or deferred. We note that you have not fulfilled the requirement. We acknowledge receipt of your request for a deferral of pediatric studies for this application. Once the application has been filed, we will notify you whether we have deferred the pediatric study requirement for this application.

Please cite the NDA number listed above at the top of the first page of all submissions to this application. Send all submissions, electronic or paper, including those sent by overnight mail or courier, to the following address:

Food and Drug Administration
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research
Division of Pulmonary and Allergy Products
5901-B Ammendale Road
Beltsville, MD 20705-1266

If you have any questions, call Lori Garcia, Regulatory Project Manager, at (301) 796-1212.

Sincerely,

(See appended electronic signature page)

Sandy Barnes
Supervisory CSO
Division of Pulmonary and Allergy Products
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Lori Garcia
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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION			REQUEST FOR CONSULTATION	
TO: (Division/Office) James McVey, Ph.D., New Drug Microbiology Staff Team Leader (OPS), WO21 RM3652			FROM: Lori Garcia, R.Ph., Regulatory Project Manager, Division of Pulmonary and Allergy Products	
DATE 06-APR-2007	IND NO. N/A	NDA NO. N22-157	TYPE OF DOCUMENT Original NDA [505(b)(2)]	DATE OF DOCUMENT 27-MAR-2007
NAME OF DRUG Xyzal (levocetirizine dihydrochloride) oral solution		PRIORITY CONSIDERATION S	CLASSIFICATION OF DRUG 3	DESIRED COMPLETION DATE 05-JUL-2007
NAME OF FIRM: UCB, Inc.				
REASON FOR REQUEST				
I. GENERAL				
NEW PROTOCOL PROGRESS REPORT NEW CORRESPONDENCE DRUG ADVERTISING ADVERSE REACTION REPORT MANUFACTURING CHANGE/ADDITION MEETING PLANNED BY		PRE-NDA MEETING END OF PHASE II MEETING RESUBMISSION SAFETY/EFFICACY PAPER NDA CONTROL SUPPLEMENT		RESPONSE TO DEFICIENCY LETTER FINAL PRINTED LABELING LABELING REVISION ORIGINAL NEW CORRESPONDENCE FORMULATIVE REVIEW X OTHER (Specify below)
II. BIOMETRICS				
STATISTICAL EVALUATION BRANCH			STATISTICAL APPLICATION BRANCH	
TYPE A OR B NDA REVIEW END OF PHASE II MEETING CONTROLLED STUDIES PROTOCOL REVIEW OTHER			CHEMISTRY PHARMACOLOGY BIOPHARMACEUTICS OTHER	
III. BIOPHARMACEUTICS				
DISSOLUTION BIOAVAILABILITY STUDIES PHASE IV STUDIES			DEFICIENCY LETTER RESPONSE PROTOCOL-BIOPHARMACEUTICS IN-VIVO WAIVER REQUEST	
IV. DRUG EXPERIENCE				
PHASE IV SURVEILLANCE/EPIDEMIOLOGY PROTOCOL DRUG USE e.g. POPULATION EXPOSURE, ASSOCIATED DIAGNOSES CASE REPORTS OF SPECIFIC REACTIONS (List below) COMPARATIVE RISK ASSESSMENT ON GENERIC DRUG GROUP			REVIEW OF MARKETING EXPERIENCE, DRUG USE AND SAFETY SUMMARY OF ADVERSE EXPERIENCE POISON RISK ANALYSIS	
V. SCIENTIFIC INVESTIGATIONS				
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1.0 BACKGROUND

UCB, Inc. submitted a meeting request and meeting package dated November 28, 2006, for a Pre-NDA meeting to discuss UCB's plans to submit a 505(b)(2) NDA for pediatric liquid formulations of levocetirizine dihydrochloride. Upon review of the briefing package, the Division responded to UCB's questions via fax on January 22, 2007. The content of that fax is printed below. Any discussion that took place at the meeting is captured directly under the relevant original response including any changes in our original position. UCB's questions are in ***bold italics***; FDA's response is in *italics*; discussion is in normal font.

The purpose of this meeting is to further clarify and discuss the FDA's responses to UCB's questions which were faxed on January 22, 2007, particularly Introductory Comment #2, and Responses #2 and #6. UCB sent a clarification in response to the Introductory Comment #2 to FDA via email on January 23, 2007 (see Attachment 1).

2.0 DISCUSSION

2.1 INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

1. *Your development program for levocetirizine liquid formulations is based on the premise that the efficacy and safety of levocetirizine tablets have been established. We remind you that the efficacy and safety of levocetirizine tablets for the treatment of the symptoms of seasonal and perennial allergic rhinitis and chronic idiopathic urticaria in adults and children 6 years of age and older is currently under review (NDA 22-064). Be advised that in the absence of the Agency's final determination on the efficacy and safety of levocetirizine tablets, the Division cannot comment on the adequacy of your proposed bioequivalence approach to support the efficacy of levocetirizine (b) (4) oral solution in children (b) (4) 6 years of age.*

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2.5 QUESTION 4

The planned NDA will include a Module 2 Quality Overall Summary which addresses Drug Product only (Module 2.3.P). It is proposed that the Drug Substance sections (Module 2.3.S, 3.2.S) will consist of a cross-reference to the pending NDA 22-064. The Quality content of the planned NDA is described in Section 4 of this document. UCB requests the Division's concurrence regarding the plan to cross-reference the Drug Substance information (Modules 2.3.S and 3.2.S) in pending NDA 22-064.

FDA Response:

Your plan to cross-reference the Drug Substance information (Modules 2.3.S and 3.2.S) in pending NDA 22-064 is acceptable.

2.6 QUESTION 5

In the planned NDA, UCB plans to cross-reference, and not resubmit, the Nonclinical information provided in the pending NDA 22-064. No new levocetirizine Nonclinical studies have been performed, and to date no levocetirizine safety issues specific to the pediatric population have been identified. UCB requests the Division's concurrence regarding the plan to cross-reference the Nonclinical information (Modules 2.4, 2.6 and 4) in pending NDA 22-064.

FDA Response:

Your plan to cross-reference the Nonclinical information (Modules 2.4, 2.6 and 4) in pending NDA 22-064 is acceptable.

2.7 QUESTION 6

Two bioequivalence studies in healthy adult subjects, four safety/efficacy studies of levocetirizine in (b) (4) of age, and a retrospective population pharmacokinetics analysis will form the basis of the Clinical and Biopharmaceutics content of the planned NDA. Safety and efficacy information from sources other than UCB-sponsored studies will also be summarized. These sources include reference the approved cetirizine NDA(s) that include data in children (b) (4) of age, spontaneously reported adverse events for levocetirizine (limited to children (b) (4)) and published literature on levocetirizine and cetirizine (also limited to children (b) (4)). The safety and efficacy information in the pending NDA 22-064 will be cross-referenced, as appropriate, to provide additional evidence of levocetirizine safety/efficacy in the pediatric population. The planned Biopharmaceutics and Clinical content is described in Section 6 of this document. UCB requests the acceptability of the proposed Biopharmaceutics and Clinical content of the planned NDA.

FDA Response:

Refer to the introductory comments 1 and 2 above.

In addition to your proposal, we recommend that you conduct a population pharmacokinetics (PK) data analysis to evaluate the effect of covariates (e.g. age, bodyweight, body surface area) on systemic exposure of levocetirizine to justify the age-stratified dosing recommendation. All available levocetirizine PK data, both in adult and different age/weight groups of pediatric population, may be pooled together to conduct this analysis.

As a guidance, refer to the "Pediatric Study Decision Tree" attached as an appendix (Appendix B) with the Guidance for Industry "Exposure-Response Relationships — Study Design, Data Analysis, and Regulatory Applications". Also refer to the Guidance for Industry "Population Pharmacokinetics (Final-1999)" for further details on population pharmacokinetics data analysis.

Discussion:

UCB agreed to perform the recommended analysis.

3.0 ISSUES REQUIRING FURTHER DISCUSSION

None.

4.0 ACTION ITEMS

None.

5.0 ATTACHMENTS AND HANDOUTS

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