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APPLICATION NUMBER:

22-154

CHEMISTRY REVIEW(S)



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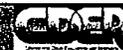


NDA 22-154

TYZEKATM
(Telbivudine)
Oral solution

Novartis Pharmaceutical Inc.

Andrew Yu
Branch IV
Division of Pre-Marketing Assessment 2
Office of New Drug Quality Assessment



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1. NDA 22-154 re-submission
2. REVIEW# 4
3. REVIEW DATE: 4/27/2009
4. REVIEWER: Andrew Yu
5. PREVIOUS DOCUMENTS:

Submission(s) Reviewed
Presubmission

Document Date
30/AUG/2007

6. SUBMISSION(S) BEING REVIEWED:

Submission(s) Reviewed

Document Date

Original

21/DEC/2007

Amendment (NDA transfer letter)

03/JAN/2008

Amendment _____ provided/Response
to deficiency – Re-submission)

03/MAR/2009

Amendment*/ _____

24/April/2009

*reported by PM but not officially received

7. NAME & ADDRESS OF APPLICANT:

Name
Address
Representative
Telephone

NovartisPharmaceuticals, Inc.
60 Hampshire Street, Cambridge, MA 02139
David Hallinan, Ph.D.
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8. DRUG PRODUCT NAME/CODE/TYPE:

- a) Proprietary Name:
b) Non-Proprietary Name (USAN): Telbivudine
c) Code Name/# (ONDC only): LdT
d) Chem. Type/Submission Priority (ONDC only):
- Chem. Type: 3
 - Submission Priority: S

9. LEGAL BASIS FOR SUBMISSION: N/A

10. PHARMACOL. CATEGORY: Antiviral

11. DOSAGE FORM: Oral solution

12. STRENGTH/POTENCY: 600 mg

13. ROUTE OF ADMINISTRATION: Oral

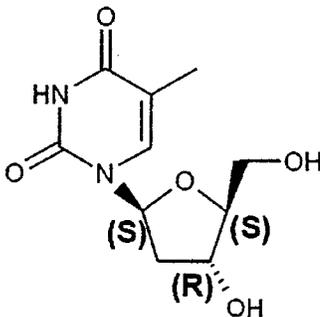
14. Rx/OTC DISPENSED: Rx OTC

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:

INN	Telbivudine
Chemical Name	1-((2S,4R,5S)-4-Hydroxy-5-hydroxymethyltetrahydrofuran-2-yl)-5-methyl-1H-pyrimidine-2,4-dione
Other Names	1-(2-Deoxy-β-L-ribofuranosyl)-5-methyluracil, 1-(2-Deoxy-β-L-ribofuranosyl)thymine, β-L-Thymidine, 2'-Deoxy-β-L-thymidine, L-Thymidine
Molecular Formula	C ₁₀ H ₁₄ N ₂ O ₅
Molecular Weight	242.23
Structure Formula	Telbivudine, which presents 3 chiral centers, is the pure isomer with absolute configuration 2S, 4R and 5S.





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Stability of the DS was evaluated in the approved NDA for the TYZEKA tablet on 3 registration batches at long-term conditions (25°C/60%RH), intermediate conditions (30°C/70%RH) and accelerated conditions (40°C/75%RH) supporting a retest period of _____

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The drug product, TYZEKA Oral solutions, 100 mg/5 mL is a clear to pale yellow solution. Pharmaceutical development studies were performed. Rationale for formulation, excipient selection and preservation were discussed. Thirty (30) mL provides the standard patient dose of 600 mg per day.

TYZEKA oral solution is manufactured by Novatis Pharma Stein AG via an _____ process. In-process controls (with target/range) for the process steps are established. When applying these parameters within the validated ranges, none of the process steps are considered as critical. A representative batch of TYZEKA Oral solution typically consists of approximately _____. Specification of the drug product includes appearance, identity, assay, impurities _____, unspecified, and total), content uniformity, and microbial limits _____

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An AC of _____ for _____ is proposed and accepted based on ICH guidance Q3B(R). The DP specification is established based on release and stability data from 3 registration stability batches and release data from 3 process validation batches. Stability of the drug product has been evaluated on 3 stability batches (_____ oral solutions) at long term conditions (25°C/60%RH, and 30°C/70%RH) for 18-24 months, accelerated conditions (40°C/75%RH) for 6 months, and 50°C/ambient RH and under light irradiation. No significant change was observed for all parameters tested. No degradation products were detected above the acceptance limits. The proposed shelf life of two years is acceptable.

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

TYZEKA (telbivudine) is indicated for the treatment of chronic hepatitis B in adult patients with evidence of viral replication and either evidence of persistent elevations in serum aminotransferases (ALT or AST) or histologically active disease.

The recommended dose of TYZEKA is 600 mg once daily, taken orally, with or without food. Telbivudine oral solution may be considered for patients who have difficulty with swallowing tablets. One 600 mg Tyzeka tablet is equivalent to 30 mL (600 mg) Tyzeka oral solution. The oral solution allows dose adjustment for renal impaired patients as described in the package insert.

TYZEKA Oral solutions are packaged in _____ bottles. Each bottle contains 300 mL oral solution (NDC 0078-0539-85) with child-resistant closure and embossed dosing cup. The bottles are stored at 25°C (77°F), with excursions permitted to 15-30°C (59-86°F). Use within two months after opening the bottle. Do not freeze.

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C. Basis for Approvability or Not-Approval Recommendation

From a chemistry, manufacturing, and controls standpoint, the NDA is recommended for approval. All manufacturing facilities are adequate and a final EES report is attached.

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Draft Labeling (b4)

Draft Labeling (b5)

Deliberative Process (b5)



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STATUS OF EER from CDER office of Compliance for 22-154

Hi Andrew,

The application is still acceptable from a compliance standpoint. Therefore, no resubmission is necessary.

Thank you,

Marisa Stock

Consumer Safety Officer
Food and Drug Administration
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10903 New Hampshire Avenue
Building 51, Room 4243
Silver Spring, MD 20993
Phone: (301) 796-4753

From: Yu, Andrew B
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2009 10:20 AM
To: CDER EESQUESTIONS
Cc: Miller, Stephen
Subject: NDA 22-154 resubmission - Question on facilities

Hi EES:

The NDA was resubmitted due to clinical issues. Approval will be completed in 2-3 months. *Do I have to resubmitted all the facilities* which was OVERALL ACCEPTABLE as shown on 9/19/09 ?? Thanks.

Andy

* Note there are no new facilities/or change of facilities in resubmission .

Attachment of EES Report

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**ESTABLISHMENT EVALUATION REQUEST
SUMMARY REPORT**

Application : NDA 22154/000	Sponsor: IDENIX PHARMA
Org Code : 530	60 HAMPSHIRE STREET
Priority : 3S	CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139
Stamp Date : 21-DEC-2007	Brand Name : TYZEKA
PDUFA Date : 21-OCT-2008	Estab. Name: TELBIVUDINE
Action Goal :	Generic Name: TELBIVUDINE
District Goal: 22-AUG-2008	Dosage Form: (SOLUTION)
	Strength : 20 MG/ML

FDA Contacts: A. YU
301-796-1488

Review Chemist



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301-796-1418

S. MILLER

Team Leader

 Overall Recommendation: ACCEPTABLE on 19-SEP-2008
 by S. ADAMS (HFD-325) 301-796-3193

Establishment : CFN : _____ FEI : _____

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DMF No: _____ AADA: _____

Responsibilities: [] b(4)

Profile : _____ OAI Status: NONE b(4)
 Last Milestone: OC RECOMMENDATION
 Milestone Date: 30-JAN-08
 Decision : ACCEPTABLE
 Reason : BASED ON PROFILE

 Establishment : CFN : 9612220 FEI : 10656
 NOVARTIS GRIMSBY LIMITED
 PYEWIPE
 GRIMSBY (S. HUMBERSIDE), , UK

DMF No: _____ AADA: _____

Responsibilities: DRUG SUBSTANCE MANUFACTURER

Profile : CSN OAI Status: NONE
 Last Milestone: OC RECOMMENDATION
 Milestone Date: 30-JAN-08
 Decision : ACCEPTABLE
 Reason : BASED ON PROFILE

 Establishment : CFN : 9617227 FEI : 3003157245
 NOVARTIS PHARMA INC
 SITE INDUSTRIEL DE HUNINGUE
 HUNINGUE, , FR

DMF No: _____ AADA: _____

Responsibilities: FINISHED DOSAGE MANUFACTURER
FINISHED DOSAGE OTHER TESTER



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CORK

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RINGASKIDDY, CORK, , EI

DMF No:

AADA:

Responsibilities: DRUG SUBSTANCE RELEASE TESTER
DRUG SUBSTANCE STABILITY TESTER

Profile : CTL OAI Status: NONE
Last Milestone: OC RECOMMENDATION
Milestone Date: 06-MAR-08
Decision : ACCEPTABLE
Reason : DISTRICT RECOMMENDATION

Establishment : CFN : 9614433 FEI : 3002807773
NOVARTIS PHARMANALYTICA SA
VIA SERFINO BLESTRA 31
LOCARNO, , SZ

DMF No:

AADA:

Responsibilities: FINISHED DOSAGE RELEASE TESTER
FINISHED DOSAGE STABILITY TESTER

Profile : CTL OAI Status: NONE
Last Milestone: OC RECOMMENDATION
Milestone Date: 30-JAN-08
Decision : ACCEPTABLE
Reason : BASED ON PROFILE

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/s/

Andy Yu
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Stephen Paul Miller
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I concur as acting Branch Chief



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1. NDA 22-154 re-submission

2. REVIEW# 3

3. REVIEW DATE: 3/19/2009

4. REVIEWER: Andrew Yu

5. PREVIOUS DOCUMENTS:

Submission(s) Reviewed
Presubmission

Document Date
30/AUG/2007

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c) Code Name/# (ONDC only): LdT
d) Chem. Type/Submission Priority (ONDC only):

- Chem. Type: 3
- Submission Priority: S

9. LEGAL BASIS FOR SUBMISSION: N/A

10. PHARMACOL. CATEGORY: Antiviral

11. DOSAGE FORM: Oral solution

12. STRENGTH/POTENCY: 600 mg

13. ROUTE OF ADMINISTRATION: Oral

14. Rx/OTC DISPENSED: X Rx OTC

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

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INN Telbivudine

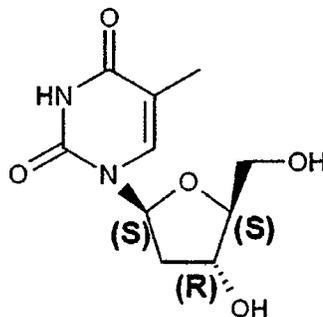
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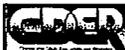
Other Names 1-(2-Deoxy-β-L-ribofuranosyl)-5-methyluracil,
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Molecular Formula C₁₀H₁₄N₂O₅

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Structure Formula Telbivudine, which presents 3 chiral centers, is the pure isomer with absolute configuration 2S, 4R and 5S.





The Chemistry Review for NDA 22-154

The Executive Summary

I. Recommendations

A. Recommendation and Conclusion on Approvability

From a chemistry, manufacturing, and controls standpoint, the NDA is recommended for approval. The CDER Office of Compliance has determined that all manufacturing facilities are adequate.

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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 substance, (β -L-thymidine, LdT) is a synthetic thymidine nucleoside analogue with activity against hepatitis B virus (HBV). Telbivudine is a chiral compound with the 2S, 4R and 5S absolute configuration and is the unmodified β -L enantiomer of the naturally occurring nucleoside, thymidine.

Telbivudine is

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The method of synthesis and qualification of supplier(s) have been reviewed and acceptable in a previous NDA for the telbivudine tablet. The commercial batches will be manufactured at Novartis Grimsby Ltd., UK and by Novartis

Pharma Stein AG, Switzerland. The commercial manufacturing process as well as controls for starting materials, reagents, process intermediate, and the new drug substance are acceptable.

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The structure of LdT has been established by elemental analysis, UV/VIS, FTIR, ES/MS, ^1H NMR and ^{13}C NMR. Impurities (related substances) introduced during synthesis or degradation products formed during synthesis and /or storage have been studied in a previous NDA and low amount of related



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clearance <50 mL /min as indicated in the package insert. The oral solution allows dose adjustment for renal impaired patients _____

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SUMMARY REPORT**

Application : NDA 22154/000
Org Code : 530
Priority : 3S

Sponsor: IDENIX PHARMA
60 HAMPSHIRE STREET
CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139

Stamp Date : 21-DEC-2007
PDUFA Date : 21-OCT-2008
Action Goal :
District Goal: 22-AUG-2008

Brand Name : TYZEKA
Estab. Name: TELBIVUDINE
Generic Name: TELBIVUDINE
Dosage Form: (SOLUTION)
Strength : 20 MG/ML

FDA Contacts: A. YU
301-796-1488

Review Chemist



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301-796-1418

S. MILLER

Team Leader

 Overall Recommendation: ACCEPTABLE on 19-SEP-2008
 by S. ADAMS (HFD-325) 301-796-3193

Establishment : CFN [REDACTED] FEI [REDACTED] b(4)
 DMF No: [REDACTED] AADA:
 Responsibilities: [REDACTED] b(4)
 Profile : [REDACTED] OAI Status: NONE
 Last Milestone: OC RECOMMENDATION
 Milestone Date: 30-JAN-08
 Decision : ACCEPTABLE
 Reason : BASED ON PROFILE

 Establishment : CFN : 9612220 FEI : 10656
 NOVARTIS GRIMSBY LIMITED
 PYEWIPE
 GRIMSBY (S. HUMBERSIDE), , UK
 DMF No: AADA:
 Responsibilities: DRUG SUBSTANCE MANUFACTURER
 Profile : CSN OAI Status: NONE
 Last Milestone: OC RECOMMENDATION
 Milestone Date: 30-JAN-08
 Decision : ACCEPTABLE
 Reason : BASED ON PROFILE

 Establishment : CFN : 9617227 FEI : 3003157245
 NOVARTIS PHARMA INC
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 HUNINGUE, , FR
 DMF No: AADA:
 Responsibilities: FINISHED DOSAGE MANUFACTURER
 FINISHED DOSAGE OTHER TESTER

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FINISHED DOSAGE PACKAGER
FINISHED DOSAGE RELEASE TESTER

Profile : LIQ OAI Status: NONE
Last Milestone: OC RECOMMENDATION
Milestone Date: 19-SEP-08
Decision : ACCEPTABLE
Reason : DISTRICT RECOMMENDATION

Establishment : CFN : 9692042 FEI : 3002865753
NOVARTIS PHARMA STEIN AG
SCHWEIZERHALLE, BASEL, SZ

DMF No: AADA:

Responsibilities: DRUG SUBSTANCE RELEASE TESTER

Profile : CTL OAI Status: NONE
Last Milestone: OC RECOMMENDATION
Milestone Date: 06-MAR-08
Decision : ACCEPTABLE
Reason : DISTRICT RECOMMENDATION

Establishment : CFN : 9692043 FEI : 3002653483
NOVARTIS PHARMA STEIN AG
SCHAFFHAUSERSTRASSE
STEIN, , SZ

DMF No: AADA:

Responsibilities: DRUG SUBSTANCE _____

Profile : CRU OAI Status: NONE
Last Milestone: OC RECOMMENDATION
Milestone Date: 30-JAN-08
Decision : ACCEPTABLE
Reason : BASED ON PROFILE

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Establishment : CFN : 9611204 FEI : 3002807772
NOVARTIS PHARMACEUTICALS CORP.
LICHSTRASSE 35, ST. JOHANN SITE
BASEL, , SZ

DMF No: AADA:

Responsibilities: DRUG SUBSTANCE RELEASE TESTER

Profile : CTL OAI Status: NONE
Last Milestone: OC RECOMMENDATION
Milestone Date: 31-JAN-08
Decision : ACCEPTABLE
Reason : DISTRICT RECOMMENDATION

Establishment : CFN : 9612715 FEI : 3002807776



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CORK

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ESTABLISHMENT EVALUATION REQUEST SUMMARY REPORT

DMF No: RINGASKIDDY, CORK, , EI AADA:

Responsibilities: DRUG SUBSTANCE RELEASE TESTER
DRUG SUBSTANCE STABILITY TESTER

Profile : CTL OAI Status: NONE
Last Milestone: OC RECOMMENDATION
Milestone Date: 06-MAR-08
Decision : ACCEPTABLE
Reason : DISTRICT RECOMMENDATION

Establishment : CFN : 9614433 FEI : 3002807773
NOVARTIS PHARMANALYTICA SA
VIA SERFINO BLESTRA 31
LOCARNO, , SZ

DMF No: AADA:

Responsibilities: FINISHED DOSAGE RELEASE TESTER
FINISHED DOSAGE STABILITY TESTER

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Last Milestone: OC RECOMMENDATION
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Decision : ACCEPTABLE
Reason : BASED ON PROFILE

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(Telbivudine)
Oral solution

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Andrew Yu
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1. NDA 22-154
2. REVIEW# 2
3. REVIEW DATE: 8/1/2008
4. REVIEWER: Andrew Yu
5. PREVIOUS DOCUMENTS:

Previous Documents

Document Date

6. SUBMISSION(S) BEING REVIEWED:

Submission(s) Reviewed

Document Date

Original

21/DEC/2007

Amendment BC (Name transfer)

03/JAN/2008

Amendment BC (Response to CMC/new PI)

19/Sept/2008

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8. DRUG PRODUCT NAME/CODE/TYPE:

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- b) Non-Proprietary Name (USAN): Telbivudine
- c) Code Name/# (ONDC only): LdT
- d) Chem. Type/Submission Priority (ONDC only):

- Chem. Type: 3
- Submission Priority: S

9. LEGAL BASIS FOR SUBMISSION: N/A

10. PHARMACOL. CATEGORY: Antiviral

11. DOSAGE FORM: Oral solution

12. STRENGTH/POTENCY: 20 mg/mL

13. ROUTE OF ADMINISTRATION: Oral

14. Rx/OTC DISPENSED: X Rx OTC

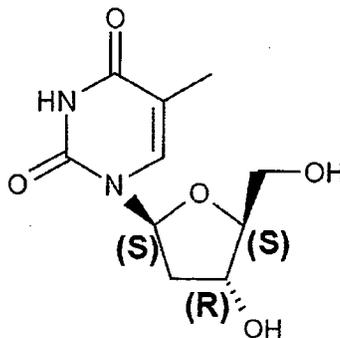
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Molecular Formula	C ₁₀ H ₁₄ N ₂ O ₅
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Structure Formula	Telbivudine, which presents 3 chiral centers, is the pure isomer with absolute configuration 2S, 4R and 5S





The Chemistry Review for NDA 22-154

The Executive Summary

I. Recommendations

A. Recommendation and Conclusion on Approvability

From a chemistry, manufacturing, and controls standpoint, the NDA is NOT recommended for approval due to _____

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All CMC issues other than the _____ are adequately addressed.

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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Telbivudine is _____

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_____ The method of synthesis and qualification of supplier(s) have been reviewed and acceptable in a previous NDA for the telbivudine tablet. The commercial batches will be manufactured at Novartis Grimsby Ltd., UK and _____ by Novartis Pharma Stein AG, Switzerland. The commercial manufacturing process as well as controls for starting materials, reagents, process intermediate, and the new drug substance are acceptable.

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The structure of LdT has been established by elemental analysis, UV/VIS, FTIR, ESI/MS, ^1H NMR and ^{13}C NMR. Impurities (related substances) introduced during synthesis or degradation products formed during synthesis and /or storage have been studied in a previous NDA and low amount of related substances (<0.05% reporting threshold) and low amounts of residual solvents (1/3 to 1/10 of the ICH Q3C limits).

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Chemistry Assessment Section

Acceptance criteria (AC) of 0.1% for related substances are proposed based on ICH guidance Q3A(R).

Stability of the DS was evaluated in the approved NDA for the TYZEKA™ tablet on 3 registration batches at long-term conditions (25°C/60%RH), intermediate conditions (30°C/70%RH) and accelerated conditions (40°C/75%RH) supporting a retest period of

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The recommended dose of TYZEKA is 600 mg once daily, taken orally, with or without food. For renal impaired patients, dose adjustment is required in patients with creatine clearance <50 mL/min as indicated in the package insert. The oral solution allows dose adjustment for renal impaired patients. A dosing cup is included.

TYZEKA Oral solutions are packaged in bottles as 300 mL per bottle. The bottles are stored at 25°C (77°F), with excursions permitted to 15-30°C (59-86°F). Use within two months after opening the bottle. Do not freeze.

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C. Basis for Approvability or Not-Approval Recommendation

From a chemistry, manufacturing, and controls standpoint, the NDA is NOT recommended for approval due to the _____

The CMC of the NDA was adequate prior to the _____. All manufacturing facilities involved are now adequate and a final EES report is attached.

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III. Administrative

A. Reviewer's Signature

B. Endorsement Block

ChemistName/ : A. Yu
ChemistryTeamLeaderName/ Steven Miller
ProjectManagerName/ Kenny Shade

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Responsibilities:

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NONE

Profile : _____

OAI Status:

Last Milestone: OC RECOMMENDATION

Milestone Date: 30-JAN-08

Decision : ACCEPTABLE

Reason : BASED ON PROFILE

Establishment : CFN : 9612220 FEI : 10656

NOVARTIS GRIMSBY LIMITED

PYEWIPE

GRIMSBY (S. HUMBERSIDE), , UK

DMF No:

AADA:

Responsibilities: DRUG SUBSTANCE MANUFACTURER

NONE

Profile : CSN

OAI Status:

Last Milestone: OC RECOMMENDATION

Milestone Date: 30-JAN-08

Decision : ACCEPTABLE

Reason : BASED ON PROFILE



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Chemistry Assessment Section

Establishment : CFN : 9617227 FEI : 3003157245

NOVARTIS PHARMA INC

SITE INDUSTRIEL DE HUNINGUE

HUNINGUE, , FR

DMF No:

AADA:

Responsibilities: FINISHED DOSAGE MANUFACTURER

FINISHED DOSAGE OTHER TESTER



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SUMMARY REPORT

FINISHED DOSAGE PACKAGER

FINISHED DOSAGE RELEASE TESTER

Profile : LIQ OAI Status:
NONE

Last Milestone: OC RECOMMENDATION

Milestone Date: 19-SEP-08

Decision : ACCEPTABLE

Reason : DISTRICT RECOMMENDATION

Establishment : CFN : 9692042 FEI : 3002865753

NOVARTIS PHARMA STEIN AG

SCHWEIZERHALLE, BASEL, SZ

DMF No:

AADA:

Responsibilities: DRUG SUBSTANCE RELEASE TESTER

Profile : CTL OAI Status:
NONE

Last Milestone: OC RECOMMENDATION

Milestone Date: 06-MAR-08

Decision : ACCEPTABLE

Reason : DISTRICT RECOMMENDATION



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Milestone Date: 31-JAN-08
Decision : ACCEPTABLE
Reason : DISTRICT RECOMMENDATION

Establishment : CFN : 9612715 FEI : 3002807776

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SUMMARY REPORT

RINGASKIDDY, CORK, , EI

DMF No:

AADA:

Responsibilities: DRUG SUBSTANCE RELEASE TESTER
DRUG SUBSTANCE STABILITY TESTER

Profile : CTL OAI Status:
NONE

Last Milestone: OC RECOMMENDATION

Milestone Date: 06-MAR-08

Decision : ACCEPTABLE

Reason : DISTRICT RECOMMENDATION

Establishment : CFN : 9614433 FEI : 3002807773

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VIA SERFINO BLESTRA 31

LOCARNO, , SZ

DMF No:

AADA:

Responsibilities: FINISHED DOSAGE RELEASE TESTER



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FINISHED DOSAGE STABILITY TESTER

Profile : CTL OAI Status:
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Last Milestone: OC RECOMMENDATION

Milestone Date: 30-JAN-08

Decision : ACCEPTABLE

Reason : BASED ON PROFILE

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NDA 22-154

TYZEKATM
(Telbivudine)
Oral solution

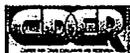
Novartis Pharmaceutical Inc.

Andrew Yu
Branch IV
Division of Pre-Marketing Assessment 2
Office of New Drug Quality Assessment



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Chemistry Review Data Sheet

1. NDA 22-154
2. REVIEW# 1
3. REVIEW DATE: 8/1/2008
4. REVIEWER: Andrew Yu
5. PREVIOUS DOCUMENTS:

Previous Documents

Document Date

6. SUBMISSION(S) BEING REVIEWED:

Submission(s)-Reviewed

Document Date

Original

21/DEC/2007

Amendment BC (Name transfer)

03/JAN/2008

Amendment BC (Response to IR)

12/JSept/2008

7. NAME & ADDRESS OF APPLICANT:

Name

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Address

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Representative

David Hallinan, Ph.D.

Telephone

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8. DRUG PRODUCT NAME/CODE/TYPE:

- a) Proprietary Name: TYZEKA™
b) Non-Proprietary Name (USAN): Telbivudine
c) Code Name/# (ONDC only): LdT
d) Chem. Type/Submission Priority (ONDC only):

- Chem. Type: 3
- Submission Priority: S

9. LEGAL BASIS FOR SUBMISSION: N/A

10. PHARMACOL. CATEGORY: Antiviral

11. DOSAGE FORM: Oral solution

12. STRENGTH/POTENCY: 20 mg/mL

13. ROUTE OF ADMINISTRATION: Oral

14. Rx/OTC DISPENSED: X Rx OTC

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

SPOTS product – Form Completed

X Not a SPOTS product

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

INN Telbivudine

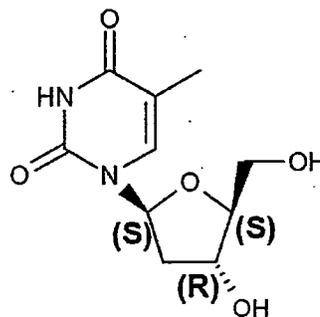
Chemical Name 1-((2S, 4R, 5S)-4-Hydroxy-5-hydroxymethyltetrahydrofuran-2-yl)-5-methyl-1 H-pyrimidine- 2,4-dione

Other Names 1-(2-Deoxy-β-L-ribofuranosyl)-5-methyluracil, 1-(2-Deoxy-β-L-ribofuranosyl) thymine, β-L-Thymidine , 2'-Deoxy-β-L-thymidine, L-Thymidine

Molecular Formula C₁₀H₁₄N₂O₅

Molecular Weight 242.23

Structure Formula Telbivudine, which presents 3 chiral centers, is the pure isomer with absolute configuration 2S, 4R and 5S



17. RELATED/SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:



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Chemistry Review Data Sheet

A. DMFs:

DMF #	TY PE	HOLDER	ITEM REFERENCED	CODE ¹	STATUS ²	DATE REVIEW COMPLETED	COMMENTS
					Adequate	7/31/08, A. Yu	_____ acceptable
					Adequate	5/03/01 Previously reviewed by D. Christodoulou	Additional information in NDA
					Adequate	A. Yu	Information in NDA

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¹ Action codes for DMF Table:

1 – DMF Reviewed.

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

2 – Type 1 DMF

3 – Reviewed previously and no revision since last review

4 – Sufficient information in application

5 – Authority to reference not granted

6 – DMF not available

7 – Other (explain under "Comments")

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

B. Other Documents:

DOCUMENT	APPLICATION NUMBER	DESCRIPTION
IND	60,459	Telbivudine Oral solutions and _____

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18. STATUS:

ONDC:

CONSULTS/ CMC RELATED REVIEWS	RECOMMENDATION	DATE	REVIEWER
Biometrics			
Pharm/Tox			
Biopharm			
LNC			



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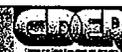


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Methods Validation	Not needed		
OPDRA			
EA	Exclusion Acceptable	7/28/08	Andy Yu
Microbiology	N/A		

19. ORDER OF REVIEW (OGD Only)

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 NDA 22-154

The Executive Summary

I. Recommendations

A. Recommendation and Conclusion on Approvability

From a chemistry, manufacturing, and controls standpoint, the NDA is recommended for approval pending inspection of the manufacturing site (not completed as of 9/9/08). Several CMC clarification issues (page 66) were faxed to Novartis on 7/21/08 and have been adequately responded to on 9/12/08.

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 substance, (β-L-thymidine, LdT) is a synthetic thymidine nucleoside analogue with activity against hepatitis B virus (HBV). Telbivudine is a chiral compound with the 2S, 4R and 5S absolute configuration and is the unmodified β-L enantiomer of the naturally occurring nucleoside, thymidine.

Telbivudine is _____
_____ The method of synthesis and qualification of supplier(s) have been reviewed and acceptable in a previous NDA for the telbivudine tablet. The commercial batches will be manufactured at Novartis Grimsby Ltd., UK and _____ by Novartis Pharma Stein AG, Switzerland. The commercial manufacturing process as well as controls for starting materials, reagents, process intermediate, and the new drug substance are acceptable.

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The structure of LdT has been established by elemental analysis, UV/VIS, FTIR, ESI/MS, ¹H NMR and ¹³CNMR. Impurities (related substances) introduced during synthesis or degradation products formed during synthesis and /or storage have been studied in a previous NDA and low amount of related substances (<0.05% reporting threshold) and low amounts of residual solvents (1/3 to 1/10 of the ICH Q3C limits).

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Acceptance criteria (AC) of 0.1% for related substances are proposed based on ICH guidance Q3A(R) _____

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Stability of the DS was evaluated in the approved NDA for the TYZEKA™ tablet on 3 registration batches at long-term conditions (25°C/60%RH), intermediate conditions (30°C/70%RH) and accelerated conditions (40°C/75%RH) supporting a retest period of _____

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The drug product, TYZEKA™ Oral solutions, 20 mg/mL is a clear to pale yellow solution. Pharmaceutical development studies were performed. Rationale for formulation, excipient selection and preservation were discussed. Thirty (30) mL provides the standard patient dose of 600 mg per day.

TYZEKA oral solution is manufactured by Novartis Pharma Stein AG via a _____ process. In-process controls (with target/range) for the process steps are established. When applying these parameters within the validated ranges, none of the process steps are considered as critical. A representative batch of TYZEKA Oral solution typically consists of approximately _____ Specification of the drug product includes appearance, identity, assay, impurities _____, unspecified, and total), content uniformity, and microbial limits.

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C. Basis for Approvability or Not-Approval Recommendation

One manufacturing site is pending pre-approval inspection as of 9/9/08, and all other manufacturing and testing facilities were found acceptable. The NDA submission and amendments ultimately provided adequate information on the chemistry, manufacturing and controls for the product of TYZEKA™ Oral solutions, 20 mg/mL.

III. Administrative

A. Reviewer's Signature

B. Endorsement Block

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SUMMARY REPORT

Application	: NDA 22154/000	Sponsor:	IDENIX PHARMA
Org Code	: 530		60 HAMPSHIRE
STREET			
Priority	: S		CAMBRIDGE, MA
02139			

Stamp Date	: 21-DEC-2007	Brand Name	: TYZEKA
(TELBIVUDINE) ORAL			
PDUFA Date	: 21-OCT-2008	Estab. Name:	
Action Goal	:	Generic Name:	TELBIVUDINE
District Goal:	22-AUG-2008	Dosage Form:	(SOLUTION)
		Strength	: 20 MG/ML

FDA Contacts:	A. YU	Review Chemist
301-796-1488		
	S. MILLER	Team Leader
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---Overall Recommendation: -----

Establishment : CFN : _____ FEI : _____

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DMF No:

AADA:

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Responsibilities:

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NONE

Profile :

OAI Status:

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Last Milestone: OC RECOMMENDATION

Milestone Date: 30-JAN-08

Decision : ACCEPTABLE

Reason : BASED ON PROFILE

Establishment : CFN : 9612220 FEI : 10656

NOVARTIS GRIMSBY LIMITED

PYEWIPE

GRIMSBY (S. HUMBERSIDE), , UK

DMF No:

AADA:

Responsibilities: DRUG SUBSTANCE MANUFACTURER

NONE

Profile :

OAI Status:

Last Milestone: OC RECOMMENDATION

Milestone Date: 30-JAN-08

Decision : ACCEPTABLE

Reason : BASED ON PROFILE



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Profile : CTL OAI Status:
 NONE
 Last Milestone: OC RECOMMENDATION
 Milestone Date: 06-MAR-08
 Decision : ACCEPTABLE
 Reason : DISTRICT RECOMMENDATION

 Establishment : CFN : 9692043 FEI : 3002653483
 NOVARTIS PHARMA STEIN AG
 SCHAFFHAUSERSTRASSE
 STEIN, , SZ

DMF No: AADA:

Responsibilities: DRUG SUBSTANCE b(4)

Profile : CRU OAI Status:
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 Last Milestone: OC RECOMMENDATION
 Milestone Date: 30-JAN-08
 Decision : ACCEPTABLE
 Reason : BASED ON PROFILE

 Establishment : CFN : 9611204 FEI : 3002807772
 NOVARTIS PHARMACEUTICALS CORP.
 LICHSTRASSE 35, ST. JOHANN SITE
 BASEL, , SZ

DMF No: AADA:



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Responsibilities: DRUG SUBSTANCE RELEASE TESTER

Profile : CTL OAI Status: NONE

Last Milestone: OC RECOMMENDATION

Milestone Date: 31-JAN-08

Decision : ACCEPTABLE

Reason : DISTRICT RECOMMENDATION

Establishment : CFN : 9612715 FEI : 3002807776

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CORK

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SUMMARY REPORT

RINGASKIDDY, CORK, , EI

DMF No: AADA:

Responsibilities: DRUG SUBSTANCE RELEASE TESTER
DRUG SUBSTANCE STABILITY TESTER

Profile : CTL OAI Status: NONE

Last Milestone: OC RECOMMENDATION

Milestone Date: 06-MAR-08

Decision : ACCEPTABLE



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Reason : DISTRICT RECOMMENDATION

Establishment : CFN : 9614433 FEI : 3002807773
NOVARTIS PHARMANALYTICA SA
VIA SERFINO BLESTRA 31
LOCARNO, , SZ

DMF No: AADA:

Responsibilities: FINISHED DOSAGE RELEASE TESTER
FINISHED DOSAGE STABILITY TESTER

Profile : CTL OAI Status:
NONE

Last Milestone: OC RECOMMENDATION

Milestone Date: 30-JAN-08

Decision : ACCEPTABLE

Reason : BASED ON PROFILE

This facility is pending inspection. Other sites are acceptable.

Establishment : CFN : 9617227 FEI : 3003157245

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