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APPLICATION NUMBER:
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MICROBIOLOGY REVIEW(S)

Product Quality Microbiology Review

December 20, 2012

NDA: 204251

Drug Product Name

Proprietary: SIMBRINZA™ Ophthalmic Suspension

Non-proprietary: Brinzolamide 1%/Brimonidine tartrate 0.2%

Review Number: 1

Dates of Submission(s) Covered by this Review

| Submit | Received | Review Request | Assigned to Reviewer |
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| June 19, 2012 | June 19, 2012 | June 28, 2012 | July 05, 2012 |

Submission History (for amendments only) – N/A

Applicant/Sponsor

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Name of Reviewer: Vinayak B. Pawar, Ph.D.

Conclusion: Recommend approval.

Product Quality Microbiology Data Sheet

- A.
1. **TYPE OF SUBMISSION:** Original NDA
 2. **SUBMISSION PROVIDES FOR:** A topical ophthalmic containing Brinzolamide 1%/Brimonidine tartrate 0.2%
 3. **MANUFACTURING SITE:** Alcon's ASPEX Manufacturing Facility, Fort Worth, Texas.
 4. **DOSAGE FORM, ROUTE OF ADMINISTRATION AND STRENGTH/POTENCY:** Topical ophthalmic Suspension, one drop per treatment, maximum three drops daily.
 5. **METHOD(S) OF STERILIZATION:** (b) (4)
 6. **PHARMACOLOGICAL CATEGORY:** Reduction of elevated intraocular pressure in patients with Glaucoma and ocular hypertension.
- B. **SUPPORTING/RELATED DOCUMENTS:** NDA 22-048, NDA 20-816 & ANDA 202305
- C. **REMARKS:** The subject Original NDA provides for a topical ophthalmic suspension which contains Brinzolamide 1%/Brimonidine tartrate 0.2%. This application is an electronic submission.

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Executive Summary**I. Recommendations**

- A. Recommendation on Approvability** – Recommend approval.
- B. Recommendations on Phase 4 Commitments and/or Agreements, if Approvable** – N/A

II. Summary of Microbiology Assessments

- A. Brief Description of the Manufacturing Processes that relate to Product Quality Microbiology** – (b) (4)

- B. Brief Description of Microbiology Deficiencies** – None.
- C. Assessment of Risk Due to Microbiology Deficiencies** – N/A

III. Administrative

- A. Reviewer's Signature** _____
Vinayak B. Pawar, Ph.D., NDMS, OPS, CDER
- B. Endorsement Block** _____
John W. Metcalfe, Ph.D., NDMS, OPS, CDER
- C. CC Block**
N/A

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VINAYAK B PAWAR
12/21/2012

JOHN W METCALFE
12/21/2012
I concur.

PRODUCT QUALITY MICROBIOLOGY FILING CHECKLIST

NDA Number: 204251

Applicant: Alcon Research

Letter Date: June 19, 2012

Drug Name: Brinzolamide
1%/Brimonidine Tartrate 0.2%
ophthalmic suspension

NDA Type: An Original NDA
for a new Ophthalmic
suspension.

Stamp Date: June 19, 2012

The following are necessary to initiate a review of the NDA application:

| | Content Parameter | Yes | No | Comments |
|----|---|-----|----|---|
| 1 | Is the product quality microbiology information described in the NDA and organized in a manner to allow substantive review to begin? Is it legible, indexed, and/or paginated adequately? | X | | |
| 2 | Has the applicant submitted an overall description of the manufacturing processes and microbiological controls used in the manufacture of the drug product? | X | | In Section 3.2.P.3.5.2. Product will be manufactured at Alcon ASPEX, Texas. |
| 3 | Has the applicant submitted protocols and results of validation studies concerning microbiological control processes used in the manufacture of the drug product? | X | | In Section 3.2.P.3.5.3. |
| 4 | Are any study reports or published articles in a foreign language? If yes, has the translated version been included in the submission for review? | | X | |
| 5 | Has the applicant submitted preservative effectiveness studies (if applicable) and container-closure integrity studies? | X | | PET USP <51> tested at product development only. CCI in Section 3.2.P.3.5.7 |
| 6 | Has the applicant submitted microbiological specifications for the drug product and a description of the test methods? | | | Specifications provided in Section 3.2.P.5.1. |
| 7 | Has the applicant submitted the results of analytical method verification studies? | X | | USP Sterility Test– Procedure-0001126. USP Endotoxins Test- Procedure-0001160 (specifications at LT 0.5 EU/mL). Batches PSB #1 & PSB #2 tested at < 0.39 to 0.50 EU/mL) |
| 8 | Has the applicant submitted all special/critical studies/data requested during pre-submission meetings and/or discussions? | X | | |
| 9 | If sterile, are extended post-constitution and/or post-dilution hold times in the draft labeling supported by microbiological data? | | | N/A |
| 10 | Is this NDA fileable? If not, then describe why. | X | | |

Additional Comments: None

Vinayak B. Pawar, Ph.D., Primary Microbiology Reviewer

Date

John W. Metcalfe, Ph.D., Secondary Microbiology Reviewer

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VINAYAK B PAWAR
08/09/2012

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I concur.