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Office of Medication Error Prevention and Risk Management (OMEPRM)  
Office of Surveillance and Epidemiology (OSE)  
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research (CDER)

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<b>Date of This Review:</b>	October 10, 2018
<b>Application Type and Number:</b>	NDA 211226
<b>Product Name and Strength:</b>	Khazory (levoleucovorin) for injection, 175 mg/vial and 300 mg/vial
<b>Product Type:</b>	Single Ingredient Product
<b>Rx or OTC:</b>	Prescription (Rx)
<b>Applicant/Sponsor Name:</b>	Spectrum Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (Spectrum)
<b>Panorama #:</b>	2018- 25999491
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## 1 INTRODUCTION

This review evaluates the proposed proprietary name, Khapzory, from a safety and misbranding perspective. The sources and methods used to evaluate the proposed proprietary name are outlined in the reference section and Appendix A respectively. Spectrum did not submit an external name study for this proposed proprietary name.

### 1.1 REGULATORY HISTORY

Spectrum previously submitted the proposed proprietary name, (b) (4)\*\*\* on January 31, 2018. However, we found the name, (b) (4)\*\*\* unacceptable due to similarity in spelling, orthographic similarities, and overlapping product characteristics with the proprietary name, Solurex, on April 27, 2018.<sup>a</sup>

Spectrum submitted the proposed proprietary name, (b) (4)\*\*\* for review on May 16, 2018. However, on August 10, 2018 we found the name, (b) (4)\*\*\* unacceptable for the following reasons:<sup>b</sup>

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Spectrum submitted the proposed proprietary name, (b) (4)\*\*\* for review on August 17, 2018. However, we found the name, (b) (4)\*\*\* unacceptable because it would misbrand the proposed product on September 7, 2018.<sup>c</sup>

Thus, Spectrum submitted the name, Khapzory, for review on September 18, 2018.

### 1.2 PRODUCT INFORMATION

The following product information is provided in the proprietary name submission received on September 18, 2018.

- Intended Pronunciation: Kap zor` ee
- Active Ingredient: levoleucovorin
- Indication of Use: Rescue after high-dose methotrexate therapy in patients with osteosarcoma, diminishing the toxicity associated with overdosage of folic acid antagonists or impaired methotrexate elimination, treatment of patients with metastatic colorectal cancer in combination with fluorouracil.

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<sup>a</sup> Little, C. Proprietary Name Review for (b) (4) (NDA 211226). Silver Spring (MD): FDA, CDER, OSE, DMEPA (US); 2018 APR 27. Panorama No. 2018-20697715.

<sup>b</sup> Little, C. Proprietary Name Review for (b) (4) (NDA 211226). Silver Spring (MD): FDA, CDER, OSE, DMEPA (US); 2018 AUG 10. Panorama No. 2018-23121882.

<sup>c</sup> Little, C. Proprietary Name Review for (b) (4) (NDA 211226). Silver Spring (MD): FDA, CDER, OSE, DMEPA (US); 2018 SEP 07. Panorama No. 2018-2018-25335876.

- Route of Administration: Intravenous
- Dosage Form: for injection
- Strength: 175 mg/vial and 300 mg/vial
- Dose and Frequency:

**Rescue after high-dose methotrexate therapy**

5 mg/m<sup>2</sup> intravenous bolus every 6 hours (b) (4)  
 hours. Repeat until methotrexate level is below 5 x 10<sup>-8</sup> M. (b) (4)

**Overdosage of folic acid antagonists or impaired methotrexate elimination**

5 mg/m<sup>2</sup> intravenous bolus every 6 hours; (b) (4)  
 Repeat until methotrexate level is less than 10<sup>-8</sup> M. (b) (4)

**Combination with fluorouracil for metastatic colorectal cancer**

100 mg/m<sup>2</sup> or 10 mg/m<sup>2</sup> (b) (4) fluorouracil at 370 mg/m<sup>2</sup> or 425 mg/m<sup>2</sup>,  
 respectively, by intravenous injection (b) (4) once daily for 5 days at 28-day  
 intervals for 2 courses then 28- to 35-day intervals. (b) (4)

- How Supplied: Single-dose vials supplied in unit cartons
- Storage: Store at 20°C to 25°C (68°F to 77°F); excursions permitted between 15°C and 30°C (59°F and 86°F) [see USP Controlled Room Temperature]. Store vial in original carton until contents are used. Protect solutions from light. The reconstituted (b) (4) drug product is stable for 12 hours at room temperature.
- Reference Listed Drug/Reference Product: Fusilev (NDA 020140), leucovorin calcium (NDA 008107)

**2 RESULTS**

The following sections provide information obtained and considered in the overall evaluation of the proposed proprietary name, Khapzory.

**2.1 MISBRANDING ASSESSMENT**

The Office of Prescription Drug Promotion (OPDP) determined that Khapzory would not misbrand the proposed product. The Division of Medication Error Prevention and Analysis (DMEPA) and the Division of Oncology Products 2 (DOP2) concurred with the findings of OPDP's assessment for Khapzory.

**2.2 SAFETY ASSESSMENT**

The following aspects were considered in the safety evaluation of the proposed proprietary name, Khapzory.

### **2.2.1 United States Adopted Names (USAN) Search**

There is no USAN stem present in the proposed proprietary name<sup>d</sup>.

### **2.2.2 Components of the Proposed Proprietary Name**

Spectrum indicated in their submission that the proposed proprietary name, Khapzory, is derived from a blank canvas. This proprietary name is comprised of a single word that does not contain any components (i.e. a modifier, route of administration, dosage form, etc.) that are misleading or can contribute to medication error.

### **2.2.3 Comments from Other Review Disciplines at Initial Review**

In response to the OSE, October 3, 2018 e-mail, the Division of Oncology Products 2 (DOP2) did not forward any comments or concerns relating to Khapzory at the initial phase of the review.

### **2.2.4 FDA Name Simulation Studies**

Forty-one practitioners participated in DMEPA's prescription studies for Khapzory. The responses did not overlap with any currently marketed products nor did the responses sound or look similar to any currently marketed products or any products in the pipeline. Appendix B contains the results from the verbal and written prescription studies.

### **2.2.5 Phonetic and Orthographic Computer Analysis (POCA) Search Results**

Our POCA search<sup>e</sup> identified 6 names with a combined phonetic and orthographic score of  $\geq 55\%$  or an individual phonetic or orthographic score  $\geq 70\%$ . These names are included in Table 1 below.

### **2.2.6 Names Retrieved for Review Organized by Name Pair Similarity**

Table 1 lists the number of names retrieved from our POCA search. These name pairs are organized as highly similar, moderately similar or low similarity for further evaluation.

<b>Table 1. Similarity Category</b>	<b>Number of Names</b>
Highly similar name pair: combined match percentage score $\geq 70\%$	0
Moderately similar name pair: combined match percentage score $\geq 55\%$ to $\leq 69\%$	6
Low similarity name pair: combined match percentage score $\leq 54\%$	0

<sup>d</sup> USAN stem search conducted on October 3, 2018.

<sup>e</sup> POCA search conducted on September 20, 2018 in version 4.3.

### 2.2.7 Safety Analysis of Names with Potential Orthographic, Spelling, and Phonetic Similarities

Our analysis of the 6 names contained in Table 1 determined none of the names will pose a risk for confusion with Khapzory as described in Appendices C through H.

### 2.2.8 Evaluation of Dual Proprietary Names

Spectrum currently markets Fusilev (levoleucovorin) under NDA 020140. The Applicant intends to market NDA 211226 under the proposed proprietary name, Khapzory. Table 2 compares the two proprietary names and their respective product characteristics. In addition, the Applicant plans to discontinue the marketing of Fusilev upon approval of NDA 211226.<sup>f</sup> We have evaluated the risks associated with this naming strategy and do not object to the use of a dual proprietary name in this case.

**Table 2. Comparison of Fusilev and Khapzory**

	<b>Approved NDA 020140</b>	<b>Proposed NDA 211226</b>
<b>Drug Name</b>	<b>Fusilev (levoleucovorin) for Injection</b> <b>[calcium levoleucovorin]</b>	<b>Khapzory (levoleucovorin) for Injection</b>
<b>Strength</b>	50 mg/vial	175 mg/vial, and 300 mg/vial
<b>Dosage Form</b>	for injection	for injection
<b>Indications</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rescue after high-dose methotrexate therapy in osteosarcoma.</li> <li>• To diminish the toxicity and counteract the effects of impaired methotrexate elimination and of inadvertent overdosage of folic acid antagonists.</li> <li>• for use in combination chemotherapy with 5-fluorouracil in the palliative treatment of patients with advanced metastatic colorectal cancer.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rescue after high-dose methotrexate therapy in osteosarcoma.</li> <li>• To diminish the toxicity associated with overdosage of folic acid antagonists or impaired methotrexate elimination.</li> <li>• Treatment of patients with metastatic colorectal cancer in combination with fluorouracil.</li> </ul>
<b>Route of Administration</b>	Intravenous	Intravenous

<sup>f</sup> Spectrum Pharmaceuticals, Inc. Proprietary name/amendment (NDA 211226 (b) (4) Henderson (NV): Spectrum Pharmaceuticals, Inc. 2018 April 19. Available from: [\cdsesub1\evsprod\nda211226\0008\m1\us\111-information-amendment\safety-information-amendment\safety-information-amendment-response-to-information-request.pdf](https://cdsesub1.evsprod.nda211226.0008.m1.us/111-information-amendment/safety-information-amendment/safety-information-amendment-response-to-information-request.pdf)

<p><b>Dosing</b></p>	<p>Rescue after high-dose methotrexate therapy and diminish toxicity and counteracting the effects of impaired methotrexate elimination.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 5 mg/m<sup>2</sup> intravenous infusion every 6 hours for 10 doses; (b) (4)</li> </ul> <p>Use in combination chemotherapy with 5-fluorouracil (5-FU)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 100 mg/m<sup>2</sup> intravenously over a minimum of 3 minutes or 10 mg/m<sup>2</sup> followed by 5-FU at 370 mg/m<sup>2</sup> or 425 mg/m<sup>2</sup>, respectively.</li> </ul>	<p>Rescue after high-dose methotrexate therapy and overdosage of folic acid antagonists or impaired methotrexate elimination.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 5 mg/m<sup>2</sup> intravenous infusion every 6 hours for 10 doses; (b) (4)</li> </ul> <p>Combination with Fluorouracil for Metastatic Colorectal Cancer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 100 mg/m<sup>2</sup> or 10 mg/m<sup>2</sup> concurrently with fluorouracil at 370 mg/m<sup>2</sup> or 425 mg/m<sup>2</sup>, respectively, by intravenous injection (b) (4) once daily for 5 days at 28-day intervals for 2 courses then 28- to 35-day intervals.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Reconstitution</b></p>	<p>Reconstituted with 5.3 mL of 0.9% Sodium Chloride Injection, USP to yield a levoleucovorin concentration of 10 mg per mL. (no preservative)</p> <p>Saline reconstituted levoleucovorin solutions may be further diluted, immediately, to concentrations of 0.5 mg/mL to 5 mg/mL in 0.9% Sodium Chloride Injection, USP or 5% Dextrose Injection, USP.</p> <p>Initial reconstitution or further dilution using 0.9% Sodium Chloride Injection, USP may be held at room temperature for not more than a total</p>	<p>Reconstituted with 3.6 mL (175 mg vial) and 6.2 mL (300 mg vial) of 0.9% Sodium Chloride Injection, USP, to yield a levoleucovorin concentration of 50 mg per mL. (no preservative)</p> <p>Saline reconstituted levoleucovorin solutions may be further diluted, immediately, to concentrations of 0.5 mg/mL to 5 mg/mL in 0.9% Sodium Chloride Injection, USP or 5% Dextrose Injection, USP.</p> <p>Initial reconstitution or further dilution using 0.9% Sodium Chloride Injection, USP may be held at room temperature for not more than a total</p>



	of 12 hours. Dilutions in 5% Dextrose Injection, USP may be held at room temperature for not more than 4 hours.	of 12 hours. Dilutions in 5% Dextrose Injection, USP may be held at room temperature for not more than 12 hours.
<b>Storage</b>	Store at 25° C (77 °F) in carton until contents are used. Excursions permitted from 15-30° C (59-86 °F). Protect from light.	Store at 20°C to 25°C (68°F to 77°F); excursions permitted between 15°C and 30°C (59°F and 86°F). Store vial in original carton until contents are used.  Protect from light.
<b>How Supplied</b>	Single-use vial	Single-dose vial

### ***2.2.9 Communication of DMEPA’s Analysis at Midpoint of Review***

DMEPA communicated our findings to the Division of Oncology Products 2 (DOP2) via e-mail on October 10, 2018.

## **3 CONCLUSION**

The proposed proprietary name, Khapzory, is acceptable.

If you have any questions or need clarifications, please contact Latonia Ford, OSE project manager, at 301-796-4901.

### **3.1 COMMENTS TO SPECTRUM PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.**

We have completed our review of the proposed proprietary name, Khapzory, and have concluded that this name is acceptable.

If any of the proposed product characteristics as stated in your submission, received on September 18, 2018, are altered prior to approval of the marketing application, the name must be resubmitted for review.

## 4 REFERENCES

### 1. USAN Stems (<https://www.ama-assn.org/about/united-states-adopted-names-approved-stems>)

USAN Stems List contains all the recognized USAN stems.

### 2. *Phonetic and Orthographic Computer Analysis (POCA)*

POCA is a system that FDA designed. As part of the name similarity assessment, POCA is used to evaluate proposed names via a phonetic and orthographic algorithm. The proposed proprietary name is converted into its phonemic representation before it runs through the phonetic algorithm. Likewise, an orthographic algorithm exists that operates in a similar fashion. POCA is publicly accessible.

### *Drugs@FDA*

Drugs@FDA is an FDA Web site that contains most of the drug products approved in the United States since 1939. The majority of labels, approval letters, reviews, and other information are available for drug products approved from 1998 to the present. Drugs@FDA contains official information about FDA-approved *brand name* and *generic drugs*; *therapeutic biological products*, *prescription* and *over-the-counter* human drugs; and *discontinued drugs* (see Drugs @ FDA Glossary of Terms, available at [http://www.fda.gov/Drugs/InformationOnDrugs/ucm079436.htm#ther\\_biological](http://www.fda.gov/Drugs/InformationOnDrugs/ucm079436.htm#ther_biological)).

### *RxNorm*

RxNorm contains the names of prescription and many OTC drugs available in the United States. RxNorm includes generic and branded:

- Clinical drugs – pharmaceutical products given to (or taken by) a patient with therapeutic or diagnostic intent
- Drug packs – packs that contain multiple drugs, or drugs designed to be administered in a specified sequence

Radiopharmaceuticals, contrast media, food, dietary supplements, and medical devices, such as bandages and crutches, are all out of scope for RxNorm

(<http://www.nlm.nih.gov/research/umls/rxnorm/overview.html#>).

### *Division of Medication Errors Prevention and Analysis proprietary name consultation requests*

This is a list of proposed and pending names that is generated by the Division of Medication Error Prevention and Analysis from the Access database/tracking system.

## APPENDICES

### Appendix A

FDA's Proprietary Name Risk Assessment evaluates proposed proprietary names for misbranding and safety concerns.

1. **Misbranding Assessment:** For prescription drug products, OPDP assesses the name for misbranding concerns. For over-the-counter (OTC) drug products, the misbranding assessment of the proposed name is conducted by DNDP. OPDP or DNDP evaluates proposed proprietary names to determine if the name is false or misleading, such as by making misrepresentations with respect to safety or efficacy. For example, a fanciful proprietary name may misbrand a product by suggesting that it has some unique effectiveness or composition when it does not (21 CFR 201.10(c)(3)). OPDP or DNDP provides their opinion to DMEPA for consideration in the overall acceptability of the proposed proprietary name.
2. **Safety Assessment:** The safety assessment is conducted by DMEPA, and includes the following:
  - a. **Preliminary Assessment:** We consider inclusion of USAN stems or other characteristics that when incorporated into a proprietary name may cause or contribute to medication errors (i.e., dosing interval, dosage form/route of administration, medical or product name abbreviations, names that include or suggest the composition of the drug product, etc.) See prescreening checklist below in Table 2\*. DMEPA defines a medication error as any preventable event that may cause or lead to inappropriate medication use or patient harm while the medication is in the control of the health care professional, patient, or consumer. <sup>g</sup>

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<sup>g</sup> National Coordinating Council for Medication Error Reporting and Prevention.  
<http://www.nccmerp.org/aboutMedErrors.html>. Last accessed 10/11/2007.

**\*Table 2- Prescreening Checklist for Proposed Proprietary Name**

	Answer the questions in the checklist below. Affirmative answers to any of these questions indicate a potential area of concern that should be carefully evaluated as described in this guidance.
<b>Y/N</b>	<b>Is the proposed name obviously similar in spelling and pronunciation to other names?</b>
	Proprietary names should not be similar in spelling or pronunciation to proprietary names, established names, or ingredients of other products.
<b>Y/N</b>	<b>Are there inert or inactive ingredients referenced in the proprietary name?</b>
	Proprietary names should not incorporate any reference to an inert or inactive ingredient in a way that might create an impression that the ingredient's value is greater than its true functional role in the formulation (21 CFR 201.10(c)(4)).
<b>Y/N</b>	<b>Does the proprietary name include combinations of active ingredients?</b>
	Proprietary names of fixed combination drug products should not include or suggest the name of one or more, but not all, of its active ingredients (see 21 CFR 201.6(b)).
<b>Y/N</b>	<b>Is there a United States Adopted Name (USAN) stem in the proprietary name?</b>
	Proprietary names should not incorporate a USAN stem in the position that USAN designates for the stem.
<b>Y/N</b>	<b>Is this proprietary name used for another product that does not share at least one common active ingredient?</b>
	Drug products that do not contain at least one common active ingredient should not use the same (root) proprietary name.
<b>Y/N</b>	<b>Is this a proprietary name of a discontinued product?</b>
	Proprietary names should not use the proprietary name of a discontinued product if that discontinued drug product does not contain the same active ingredients.

- b. Phonetic and Orthographic Computer Analysis (POCA): Following the preliminary screening of the proposed proprietary name, DMEPA staff evaluates the proposed name against potentially similar names. In order to identify names with potential similarity to the proposed proprietary name, DMEPA enters the proposed proprietary name in POCA and queries the name against the following drug reference databases, Drugs@fda, CernerRxNorm, and names in the review pipeline using a 55% threshold in POCA. DMEPA reviews the combined orthographic and phonetic matches and group the names into one of the following three categories:

- Highly similar pair: combined match percentage score  $\geq 70\%$ .
- Moderately similar pair: combined match percentage score  $\geq 55\%$  to  $\leq 69\%$ .

- Low similarity: combined match percentage score  $\leq 54\%$ .

Using the criteria outlined in the check list (Table 3-5) that corresponds to each of the three categories (highly similar pair, moderately similar pair, and low similarity), DMEPA evaluates the name pairs to determine the acceptability or non-acceptability of a proposed proprietary name. The intent of these checklists is to increase the transparency and predictability of the safety determination of whether a proposed name is vulnerable to confusion from a look-alike or sound-alike perspective. Each bullet below corresponds to the name similarity category cross-references the respective table that addresses criteria that DMEPA uses to determine whether a name presents a safety concern from a look-alike or sound-alike perspective.

- For highly similar names, differences in product characteristics often cannot mitigate the risk of a medication error, including product differences such as strength and dose. Thus, proposed proprietary names that have a combined score of  $\geq 70$  percent are at risk for a look-alike sound-alike confusion which is an area of concern (See Table 3).
- Moderately similar names are further evaluated to identify the presence of attributes that are known to cause name confusion.
  - Name attributes: We note that the beginning of the drug name plays a significant role in contributing to confusion. Additionally, drug name pairs that start with the same first letter and contain a shared letter string of at least 3 letters in both names are major contributing factor in the confusion of drug names<sup>h</sup>. We evaluate all moderately similar names retrieved from POCA to identify the above attributes. These names are further evaluated to identify overlapping or similar strengths or doses.
  - Product attributes: Moderately similar names of products that have overlapping or similar strengths or doses represent an area for concern for FDA. The dose and strength information is often located in close proximity to the drug name itself on prescriptions and medication orders, and the information can be an important factor that either increases or decreases the potential for confusion between similarly named drug pairs. The ability of other product characteristics to mitigate confusion (e.g., route, frequency, dosage form) may be limited when the strength or dose overlaps. DMEPA reviews such names further, to determine whether sufficient differences exist to prevent confusion. (See Table 4).
- Names with low similarity that have no overlap or similarity in strength and dose are generally acceptable (See Table 5) unless there are data to suggest that the name might be vulnerable to confusion (e.g., prescription simulation study suggests that the name is likely to be misinterpreted as a marketed product). In these instances, we would reassign

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<sup>h</sup> Shah, M, Merchant, L, Characteristics That May Help in the Identification of Potentially Confusing Proprietary Drug Names. Therapeutic Innovation & Regulatory Science, September 2016

a low similarity name to the moderate similarity category and review according to the moderately similar name pair checklist.

- c. FDA Prescription Simulation Studies: DMEPA staff also conducts a prescription simulation studies using FDA health care professionals.

Three separate studies are conducted within the Centers of the FDA for the proposed proprietary name to determine the degree of confusion of the proposed proprietary name with marketed U.S. drug names (proprietary and established) due to similarity in visual appearance with handwritten prescriptions or verbal pronunciation of the drug name. The studies employ healthcare professionals (pharmacists, physicians, and nurses), and attempts to simulate the prescription ordering process. The primary Safety Evaluator uses the results to identify orthographic or phonetic vulnerability of the proposed name to be misinterpreted by healthcare practitioners.

In order to evaluate the potential for misinterpretation of the proposed proprietary name in handwriting and verbal communication of the name, inpatient medication orders and/or outpatient prescriptions are written, each consisting of a combination of marketed and unapproved drug products, including the proposed name. These orders are optically scanned and one prescription is delivered to a random sample of participating health professionals via e-mail. In addition, a verbal prescription is recorded on voice mail. The voice mail messages are then sent to a random sample of the participating health professionals for their interpretations and review. After receiving either the written or verbal prescription orders, the participants record their interpretations of the orders which are recorded electronically.

- d. Comments from Other Review Disciplines: DMEPA requests the Office of New Drugs (OND) and/or Office of Generic Drugs (OGD), ONDQA or OBP for their comments or concerns with the proposed proprietary name, ask for any clinical issues that may impact the DMEPA review during the initial phase of the name review. Additionally, when applicable, at the same time DMEPA requests concurrence/non-concurrence with OPDP's decision on the name. The primary Safety Evaluator addresses any comments or concerns in the safety evaluator's assessment.

The OND/OGD Regulatory Division is contacted a second time following our analysis of the proposed proprietary name. At this point, DMEPA conveys their decision to accept or reject the name. The OND or OGD Regulatory Division is requested to provide any further information that might inform DMEPA's final decision on the proposed name.

Additionally, other review disciplines opinions such as ONDQA or OBP may be considered depending on the proposed proprietary name.

When provided, DMEPA considers external proprietary name studies conducted by or for the Applicant/Sponsor and incorporates the findings of these studies into the overall risk assessment.

The DMEPA primary reviewer assigned to evaluate the proposed proprietary name is responsible for considering the collective findings, and provides an overall risk assessment of the proposed proprietary name.

**Table 3. Highly Similar Name Pair Checklist (i.e., combined Orthographic and Phonetic score is  $\geq 70\%$ ).**

Answer the questions in the checklist below. Affirmative answers to some of these questions suggest that the pattern of orthographic or phonetic differences in the names may render the names less likely to confusion, provided that the pair does not share a common strength or dose.			
<u>Orthographic Checklist</u>		<u>Phonetic Checklist</u>	
<b>Y/N</b>	Do the names begin with different first letters?  <i>Note that even when names begin with different first letters, certain letters may be confused with each other when scripted.</i>	<b>Y/N</b>	Do the names have different number of syllables?
<b>Y/N</b>	Are the lengths of the names dissimilar* when scripted?  <i>*FDA considers the length of names different if the names differ by two or more letters.</i>	<b>Y/N</b>	Do the names have different syllabic stresses?
<b>Y/N</b>	Considering variations in scripting of some letters (such as z and f), is there a different number or placement of upstroke/downstroke letters present in the names?	<b>Y/N</b>	Do the syllables have different phonologic processes, such as vowel reduction, assimilation, or deletion?
<b>Y/N</b>	Is there different number or placement of cross-stroke or dotted letters present in the names?	<b>Y/N</b>	Across a range of dialects, are the names consistently pronounced differently?
<b>Y/N</b>	Do the infixes of the name appear dissimilar when scripted?		
<b>Y/N</b>	Do the suffixes of the names appear dissimilar when scripted?		

**Table 4: Moderately Similar Name Pair Checklist (i.e., combined score is  $\geq 55\%$  to  $\leq 69\%$ ).**

Step 1	<p>Review the DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION and HOW SUPPLIED/STORAGE AND HANDLING sections of the prescribing information (or for OTC drugs refer to the Drug Facts label) to determine if strengths and doses of the name pair overlap or are very similar. Different strengths and doses for products whose names are moderately similar may decrease the risk of confusion between the moderately similar name pairs. Name pairs that have overlapping or similar strengths or doses have a higher potential for confusion and should be evaluated further (see Step 2). Because the strength or dose could be used to express an order or prescription for a particular drug product, overlap in one or both of these components would be reason for further evaluation.</p> <p>For single strength products, also consider circumstances where the strength may not be expressed.</p> <p>For any i.e. drug products comprised of more than one active ingredient, consider whether the strength or dose may be expressed using only one of the components.</p> <p>To determine whether the strengths or doses are similar to your proposed product, consider the following list of factors that may increase confusion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Alternative expressions of dose: 5 mL may be listed in the prescribing information, but the dose may be expressed in metric weight (e.g., 500 mg) or in non-metric units (e.g., 1 tsp, 1 tablet/capsule). Similarly, a strength or dose of 1000 mg may be expressed, in practice, as 1 g, or vice versa.</li><li>• Trailing or deleting zeros: 10 mg is similar in appearance to 100 mg which may potentiate confusion between a name pair with moderate similarity.</li><li>• Similar sounding doses: 15 mg is similar in sound to 50 mg</li></ul>
Step 2	<p>Answer the questions in the checklist below. Affirmative answers to some of these questions suggest that the pattern of orthographic or phonetic differences in the names may reduce the likelihood of confusion for moderately similar names <b>with</b> overlapping or similar strengths or doses.</p>




	<p>Orthographic Checklist (Y/N to each question)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Do the names begin with different first letters? Note that even when names begin with different first letters, certain letters may be confused with each other when scripted.</li> <li>• Are the lengths of the names dissimilar* when scripted? *FDA considers the length of names different if the names differ by two or more letters.</li> <li>• Considering variations in scripting of some letters (such as <i>z</i> and <i>f</i>), is there a different number or placement of upstroke/downstroke letters present in the names?</li> <li>• Is there different number or placement of cross-stroke or dotted letters present in the names?</li> <li>• Do the infixes of the name appear dissimilar when scripted?</li> <li>• Do the suffixes of the names appear dissimilar when scripted?</li> </ul>	<p>Phonetic Checklist (Y/N to each question)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Do the names have different number of syllables?</li> <li>• Do the names have different syllabic stresses?</li> <li>• Do the syllables have different phonologic processes, such vowel reduction, assimilation, or deletion?</li> <li>• Across a range of dialects, are the names consistently pronounced differently?</li> </ul>
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**Table 5: Low Similarity Name Pair Checklist (i.e., combined score is ≤54%).**

Names with low similarity are generally acceptable unless there are data to suggest that the name might be vulnerable to confusion (e.g., prescription simulation study suggests that the name is likely to be misinterpreted as a marketed product). In these instances, we would reassign a low similarity name to the moderate similarity category and review according to the moderately similar name pair checklist.

**Appendix B: Prescription Simulation Samples and Results**

**Figure 1. Khapzory Study (Conducted on September 21, 2018)**

Handwritten Medication Order/Prescription	Verbal Prescription
<p>Medication Order:</p> <hr/> <p><i>Khapzory 75mg IN q 6hrs</i></p>	<p>Khapzory 175 mg Bring to clinic</p>
<p>Outpatient Prescription:</p> <div data-bbox="203 640 938 1087" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p>Patient _____ Date _____            Address _____</p> <p><b>R</b> <i>Khapzory 175mg</i>  <i>Bring to clinic</i>  <i>#1</i></p> <p> 1-800-FDA-1088</p> <p>Refill(s): _____ Dr. <i>SS</i> _____            DEA No. _____ Address _____            Telephone _____</p> </div>	<p>Dispense 1 vial</p>

**FDA Prescription Simulation Responses (Aggregate Report)**

**Study Name: Khapzory**

As of Date 10/3/2018

306 People Received Study

41 People Responded

Study Name: Khapzory

Total	16	8	17	
INTERPRETATION	OUTPATIENT	VOICE	INPATIENT	TOTAL
CABZURI	0	1	0	1
CAPZORI	0	3	0	3
CAPZORIE	0	1	0	1
CAPZURI	0	1	0	1
KAPZORI	0	2	0	2
KFAPZORY	0	0	1	1
KGAPZORY	0	0	1	1
KHAPZORG	0	0	2	2
KHAPZORY	13	0	12	25
KHAPZORY 75MG	0	0	1	1
KHOPZORY	1	0	0	1
RHAPZORY	2	0	0	2

**Appendix C:** Highly Similar Names (e.g., combined POCA score is  $\geq 70\%$ )

<b>No.</b>	<b>Proposed name:</b> Khapzory <b>Established name:</b> levoleucovorin <b>Dosage form:</b> for injection <b>Strength(s):</b> 175 mg/vial and 300 mg/vial <b>Usual Dose:</b> 5 mg/m <sup>2</sup> (b)(4) every 3-6 hours depending on indication; 100 mg/m <sup>2</sup> or 10 mg/m <sup>2</sup> concurrently with fluorouracil	<b>POCA Score (%)</b>	<b>Orthographic and/or phonetic differences in the names sufficient to prevent confusion</b>  <b>Other prevention of failure mode expected to minimize the risk of confusion between these two names.</b>
	N/A		

**Appendix D:** Moderately Similar Names (e.g., combined POCA score is  $\geq 55\%$  to  $\leq 69\%$ ) with no overlap or numerical similarity in Strength and/or Dose

<b>No.</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>POCA Score (%)</b>
1.	Casporyn	59
2.	Kapvay	57
3.	(b)(4)***	60
4.	Camphor	56

**Appendix E:** Moderately Similar Names (e.g., combined POCA score is  $\geq 55\%$  to  $\leq 69\%$ ) with overlap or numerical similarity in Strength and/or Dose

<b>No.</b>	<b>Proposed name:</b> Khapzory <b>Established name:</b> levoleucovorin <b>Dosage form:</b> for injection <b>Strength(s):</b> 175 mg/vial and 300 mg/vial <b>Usual Dose:</b> 5 mg/m <sup>2</sup> (b)(4) every 3-6 hours depending on indication; 100 mg/m <sup>2</sup> or 10 mg/m <sup>2</sup> concurrently with fluorouracil	<b>POCA Score (%)</b>	<b>Prevention of Failure Mode</b>  <b>In the conditions outlined below, the following combination of factors, are expected to minimize the risk of confusion between these two names</b>
	N/A		

**Appendix F:** Low Similarity Names (e.g., combined POCA score is  $\leq 54\%$ )

No.	Name	POCA Score (%)
	N/A	

**Appendix G:** Names not likely to be confused or not used in usual practice settings for the reasons described.

No.	Name	POCA Score (%)	Failure preventions
5.	Camphor, (-)-	56	Name identified in RxNorm database. Unable to find product characteristics in commonly used drug databases.

**Appendix H:** Names not likely to be confused due to absence of attributes that are known to cause name confusion<sup>i</sup>.

No.	Name	POCA Score (%)
6.	(b) (4) ***	58

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<sup>i</sup> Shah, M, Merchant, L, Chan, I, and Taylor, K. Characteristics That May Help in the Identification of Potentially Confusing Proprietary Drug Names. Therapeutic Innovation & Regulatory Science, September 2016

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