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**Approval Package for:**

***APPLICATION NUMBER:***

**19-653/S-022 & 19-697/S-018**

***Trade Name:*** Ortho-Cyclen 0.25mg/0.035mg  
Ortho Tri-Cyclen 0.18mg/0.035mg,  
0.215mg/0.035mg, 0.25mg/0.035mg

***Generic Name:*** norgestimate/ethinyl estradiol tablets

***Sponsor:*** Johnson RW

***Approval Date:*** 11/22/1999

***Indications:*** Ortho-Cyclen & Ortho Tri-Cyclen: For the prevention of pregnancy in women who elect to use oral contraceptives as a method of contraception.

Ortho Tri-Cyclen: For the treatment of moderate acne vulgaris in females, greater than or equal to 15 years of age, who have no known contradictions to oral contraceptive therapy, desire contraception, have achieved menarche and are unresponsive to topical anti-acne medications.

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**APPROVAL LETTER**

NDA 19-653/S-022  
NDA 19-697/S-018

The R.W. Johnson Pharmaceutical Research Institute  
Attention: William Sisco  
Associate Director, Regulatory Affairs  
920 Route 202 South  
P. O. Box 300  
Raritan, NJ 08869-0602

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Dear Mr. Sisco:

Please refer to your supplemental new drug applications dated April 8, 1999, received April 9, 1999, submitted under section 505(b) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act for ORTHO-CYCLEN® (norgestimate/ethinyl estradiol) Tablets and ORTHO TRI-CYCLEN® (norgestimate/ethinyl estradiol) Tablets.

We note that these supplements were submitted as 'Special Supplement - Changes Being Effected' under 21 CFR 314.70(c).

These supplemental new drug applications provide for a combination **Brief Summary Patient Package Insert and Detailed Patient Labeling** to replace the two separate pieces, **Detailed Patient Labeling and Brief Summary**, as per the Agency's final rule dated May 25, 1989, regarding Oral Contraceptives; Patient Package Insert Requirements. Your submission stated April 9, 1999, as the implementation date for the changes.

We have completed the review of these supplemental applications and have concluded that adequate information has been presented to demonstrate that the drug products are safe and effective for use as recommended in the submitted final printed labeling (patient package insert submitted April 8, 1999). Accordingly, these supplemental applications are approved effective on the date of this letter.

If a letter communicating important information about this drug product (i.e., a "Dear Health Care Practitioner" letter) is issued to physicians and others responsible for patient care, we request that you submit a copy of the letter to this NDA and a copy to the following address:

MEDWATCH, HF-2  
FDA  
5600 Fishers Lane  
Rockville, MD 20857

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We remind you that you must comply with the requirements for an approved NDA set forth under 21 CFR 314.80 and 314.81.

If you have any questions, contact Jennifer Mercier, Regulatory Project Manager, at (301) 827-4260.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Lisa D. Rarick, dated 11/22/95.

Lisa D. Rarick, M.D.

Director

Division of Reproductive and Urologic Drug Products

Office of Drug Evaluation III

Center for Drug Evaluation and Research

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HF-2/MedWatch (with labeling)

HFD-002/ORM (with labeling)

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HFI-20/Press Office (with labeling)

HFD-400/OPDRA (with labeling)

HFD-613/OGD (with labeling)

HFD-21/ACS (with labeling) - for drug discussed at advisory committee meeting.

HFD-095/DDMS-IMT (with labeling)

HFD-820/DNDC Division Director

DISTRICT OFFICE

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NDA NO. 19697 REF. NO. 92-017

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Lisa Rarick, M.D.  
Food and Drug Administration  
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research  
Office of Drug Evaluation II, HFD-580  
Attn: Document Control Room  
5600 Fishers Lane  
Rockville, MD 20857-1706

NDA 19-653  
ORTHO-CYCLEN® Tablets  
(norgestimate/ethinyl estradiol)

Please Cross refer to:

NDA 19-697  
ORTHO TRI-CYCLEN® Tablets  
(norgestimate/ethinyl estradiol)

**CHANGES BEING EFFECTED  
IN 30 DAYS**

Dear Dr. Rarick:

Reference is made to our approved New Drug Applications 19-653 and 19-697 for ORTHO-CYCLEN® and ORTHO TRI-CYCLEN® respectively, and to the Agency's final rule dated May 25, 1989 regarding Oral Contraceptives; Patient Package Insert Requirements. (Federal Register 54 FR 100, Docket No. 86N-0337). This final rule eliminated the requirement for a physically separate summary, but would require a summary to be included as a part of the patient package insert.

At this time, we are submitting a Changes Being Effected Supplement which includes final printed labeling for a combination Brief Summary Patient Package Insert and Detailed Patient Labeling for ORTHO-CYCLEN® and ORTHO TRI-CYCLEN® Tablets. This component will replace the two separate pieces, Detailed Patient Labeling and Brief Summary, which are now included in the overwrap for these two products. There were no textual changes made to either the Brief Summary or the Detailed Patient Labeling. We plan to implement this change in thirty (30) days from the date of this letter.

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We are submitting 20 copies (10 on heavy-weight paper) of the Final Printed Labeling of the Combination Brief Summary/Detailed Patient Labeling (component code # 640-50-900-1).

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If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at (908) 704-4301, or at (908) 704-4600, our number designated only for FDA use.

Sincerely,

The R. W. Johnson  
Pharmaceutical Research Institute

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "William R. Sisco". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

William R. Sisco  
Associate Director  
Regulatory Affairs

Enclosures



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Rockville MD 20857

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The R. W. Johnson Pharmaceutical Research Institute  
920 Route 202 South  
P. O. Box 300  
Raritan, New Jersey 08869-0602

Attention: William R. Sisco  
Associate Director, Regulatory Affairs

Dear Mr. Sisco:

We acknowledge receipt of your supplemental application for the following:

Name of Drug: ORTHO TRI-CYCLEN®

NDA Number: 19-697

Supplement Number: S-018

Date of Supplement: April 8, 1999

Date of Receipt: April 9, 1999

Unless we find the application not acceptable for filing, this application will be filed under Section 505(b)(1) of the Act on Jun 8, 1999 in accordance with 21 CFR 314.101(a).

All communications concerning this NDA should be addressed as follows:

Center for Drug Evaluation and Research  
Division of Reproductive and Urologic Drug Products, HFD-580  
Office of Drug Evaluation II  
Attention: Document Control Room 17B-20  
5600 Fishers Lane  
Rockville, MD 20857

Sincerely,

Terri F. Rumble  
Chief, Project Management Staff  
Division of Reproductive and Urologic  
Drug Products, HFD-580  
Office of Drug Evaluation II  
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research

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