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Approval Package for:

APPLICATION NUMBER:

74-752/S-001 to S-018

Trade Name: Cartia XT

Generic Name: (Diltiazem Hydrochloride Extended-release
Capsules, 120 mg; 180 mg; 240 mg; 300 mg)

Sponsor: Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

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APPROVAL LETTERS

2. Revise the storage temperature recommendations as follows:

Store at controlled room temperature, 15°-30° (59°-86°F)
(see USP).

These revisions may be done in an annual report provided that the changes are described in full.

We remind you that you must comply with the requirements for an approved abbreviated new drug application described in 21 CFR 314.80-81.

The material submitted is being retained in our files.

Sincerely yours,

/s/

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JS
Florence S. Fang
Director
Division of Chemistry II
Office of Generic Drugs
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research

**APPEARS THIS WAY
ON ORIGINAL**

ANDA 74-752/S-004, S-006

Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
Attention: Diane Servello
4001 S.W. 47th Avenue
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33314

JUN 8 1999

Dear Sir:

This is in reference to your supplemental new drug applications dated September 11, 1998, submitted pursuant to 21 CFR 314.70, regarding your abbreviated new drug application for Cartia-XT (Diltiazem Hydrochloride Extended-release Capsules, USP); 120 mg, 180 mg, 240 mg and 300 mg.

Reference is also made to your correspondence dated February 23 and March 26, 1999, and your amendments dated April 14 and May 20, 1999.

The supplemental applications provide for:

S-004: Formulation Change -



S-006: Labeling Revision.

From a labeling standpoint the insert labeling has been satisfactorily revised to reflect the addition of magnesium stearate to the listing of inactive ingredients in the DESCRIPTION section.

We have completed the review of these supplemental applications, and they are approved.

Please note that the listed drug referenced in your application is subject to periods of patent protection which expire on January 16, 2007 (Pat.#4,894,240), March 26, 2008, (Pat.#5,002,776), May 20, 2011 (Pat.#5,286,497), November 14, 2011, (Pat.#5,364,620), August 8, 2012 (Pat.#5,439,689) and May

20, 2011 (Pat.#5,470,584), respectively. Your application contains patent certifications under Section 505(j)(2)(A)(vii)(IV) of the Act stating that your manufacture, use, or sale of this drug product will not infringe on any of these patents. Section 505(j)(5)(B)(iii) of the Act provides that approval shall be made effective immediately unless an action is brought for infringement of the patent(s) which are the subject of the certifications before the expiration of forty-five days from the date the notice provided under paragraph (2)(B)(I) is received. You have notified the Agency that Andrx Pharmaceuticals Inc. has complied with the requirements of Section 505(j)(2)(B) of the Act and that no action for patent infringement was brought against Andrx Pharmaceuticals Inc. within the statutory forty-five day period.

We remind you that you must comply with the requirements for an approved abbreviated new drug application described in 21 CFR 314.80-81.

The material submitted is being retained in our files.

Sincerely yours,

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Douglas L. Sporn
Director
Office of Generic Drugs
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research

**APPEARS THIS WAY
ON ORIGINAL**

ANDA 74-752/S-005

Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
Attention: David A. Gardner
4001 S.W. 47th Avenue, #201
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33314

APR 2 1999

Dear Sir:

This is in reference to your supplemental new drug application dated October 23, 1998, submitted pursuant to 21 CFR 314.70 regarding your abbreviated new drug application for CARTIA XTTM (Diltiazem Hydrochloride Extended-release Capsules, USP); 120 mg, 180 mg, 240 mg and 300 mg.

The supplemental application provides for final printed container labels for each size and strength.

We have completed the review of this supplemental application and it is approved.

We remind you that you must comply with the requirements for an approved abbreviated new drug application described in 21 CFR 314.80-81.

The material submitted is being retained in our files.

Sincerely yours,

Robert L. West
Robert L. West, M.S., R.Ph.
Director

Division of Labeling and Program Support
Office of Generic Drugs
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research

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ANDA 74-752/S-011 (120 mg, 180 mg, 240 mg and 300 mg)
74-852/S-004 (120 mg, 180 mg and 240 mg)

Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
Attention: Diane Servello
4001 SW 47th Avenue
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33314

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Dear Madam:

This is in reference to your supplemental new drug applications dated February 28, 2000, submitted under section 505(j) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, regarding your abbreviated new drug application for Diltiazem Extended-release Capsules, USP.

The supplemental applications submitted as "Prior Approval Supplements", provide for:

S-011, S-004: _____

We have completed the review of these supplemental applications, and they are approved.

We remind you that you must comply with the requirements for an approved abbreviated new drug application described in 21 CFR 314.80-81.

The material submitted is being retained in our files.

Sincerely yours,

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Jr Florence S. Fang *8/15/00*
Director
Division of Chemistry II
Office of Generic Drugs
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research

ANDA 74-752/S-012

Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
Attention: Diane Servello
4001 SW 47th Avenue
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33314

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Dear Diane Servello:

This is in reference to your supplemental new drug application dated July 19, 2000, submitted under section 505(j) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, regarding your abbreviated new drug application for Diltiazem Hydrochloride Extended-release Capsules USP, 120 mg, 180 mg, 240 mg and 300 mg.

The supplemental application submitted as a "Supplement-Changes Being Effected", provides for an additional in-process dissolution test for Diltiazem HCl Extended-release

We have completed the review of this supplemental application and it is approved.

We remind you that you must comply with the requirements for an approved abbreviated new drug application described in 21 CFR 314.80-81.

The material submitted is being retained in our files.

Sincerely yours,

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Florence S. Fang
Director
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Office of Generic Drugs
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research

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ANDA 74-752/S-013

Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
Attention: Diane Servello
4001 SW 47th Avenue
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33314

JAN 8 2001

Dear Diane Servello:

This is in reference to your supplemental new drug application dated July 28, 2000, submitted under section 505(j) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, regarding your abbreviated new drug application for Diltiazem Hydrochloride Extended-release Capsules USP, 120 mg, 180 mg, 240 mg and 300 mg.

The supplemental application submitted as a "Supplement-Changes Being Effected in 30 days", provides for an improvement to the process for Diltiazem HCl Extended-release

We have completed the review of this supplemental application and it is approved.

We remind you that you must comply with the requirements for an approved abbreviated new drug application described in 21 CFR 314.80-81.

The material submitted is being retained in our files.

Sincerely yours,

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Florence S. Fang
Director
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Office of Generic Drugs
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research

ANDA 74-752/S-015

Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
Attention: Diane Servello
4955 Orange Drive
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33314

FEB 27 2002

Dear Diane Servello:

This is in reference to your supplemental new drug application dated August 21, 2001, submitted under section 505(j) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, regarding your abbreviated new drug application for Diltiazem Hydrochloride Extended-release Capsules USP, 120 mg, 180 mg, 240 mg and 300 mg.

The supplemental application submitted as "Prior Approval Supplement", provides for a revision of the in-process dissolution specifications for Diltiazem HCl Extended-release

We have completed the review of this supplemental application and it is approved.

We remind you that you must comply with the requirements for an approved abbreviated new drug application described in 21 CFR 314.80-81.

The material submitted is being retained in our files.

Sincerely yours,

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2/25/02

for
Florence S. Fang
Director
Division of Chemistry II
Office of Generic Drugs
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research

ANDA 74-752/S-016

Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
Attention: Diane Servello
4955 Orange Drive
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33314

OCT 11 2002

Dear Diane Servello:

This is in reference to your supplemental new drug application dated June 4, 2002, submitted under section 505(j) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, regarding your abbreviated new drug application for Diltiazem Hydrochloride Extended-release Capsules USP, 120 mg, 180 mg, 240 mg and 300 mg.

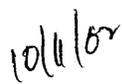
The supplemental application submitted as a "Supplement-Changes Being Effected in 30 days", provides for the addition of

We have completed the review of this supplemental application and it is approved.

We remind you that you must comply with the requirements for an approved abbreviated new drug application described in 21 CFR 314.80-81.

The material submitted is being retained in our files.

Sincerely yours,



Florence S. Fang
Director
Division of Chemistry II
Office of Generic Drugs
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research

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DEC 24 2002

ANDA - See Attached List

Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
Attention: Janet Vaughn
4955 Orange Drive
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33314

Dear Ms. Vaughn:

This is in reference to your supplemental new drug applications dated June 24, 2002, submitted under section 505(j) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, regarding your abbreviated new drug applications for the drug products listed in the appendix.

These supplemental applications, submitted as "Supplements-
Changes Being Effected in 30 Days", provide for the addition of

We have completed the review of these supplemental applications, and they are approved.

We remind you that you must comply with the requirements for an approved abbreviated new drug application described in 21 CFR 314.80-81.

The material submitted is being retained in our files.

Sincerely yours,

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12/24/02

for

Florence S. Fang
Director
Division of Chemistry II
Office of Generic Drugs
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research

ANDA 74-752/S-018

Andrx Pharmaceuticals, L.L.C.
Attention: Janet Vaughn
4955 Orange Drive
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33314

NOV 18 2003

Dear Janet Vaughn:

This is in reference to your supplemental new drug application dated June 30, 2003, submitted under section 505(j) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, regarding your abbreviated new drug application for Cartia XT Capsules USP, 120 mg, 180 mg, 240 mg and 300 mg.

Reference is also made to your amendment dated October 24, 2003.

The supplemental application, submitted as a "Prior Approval Supplement", provides for

We have completed the review of this supplemental application and it is approved.

We remind you that you must comply with the requirements for an approved abbreviated new drug application described in 21 CFR 314.80-81.

The material submitted is being retained in our files.

Sincerely yours,

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Final Printed Labeling



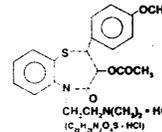
**DILTIAZEM
HYDROCHLORIDE
EXTENDED-RELEASE
CAPSULES USP
(ONCE-A-DAY DOSAGE)**

R. Only

PARAVEL

JUN - 8 1999

DESCRIPTION
Diltiazem Hydrochloride is a calcium ion influx inhibitor (slow channel blocker or calcium antagonist). Chemically, diltiazem hydrochloride is 1,5-benzothiazepin-4(5H)-one, 3-(acetyloxy)-5-[2-(dimethylamino)ethyl]-2,3-dihydro-2-(4-methoxyphenyl), monohydrochloride, (1:1) salt. The structural formula is:



Diltiazem hydrochloride is a white to off-white crystalline powder with a bitter taste. It is soluble in water, methanol, and chloroform. It has a molecular weight of 453.99. Each diltiazem hydrochloride extended-release capsule (once daily dosage), for oral administration, is formulated as a once-a-day extended-release capsule containing either 120 mg, 180 mg, 240 mg, or 300 mg diltiazem hydrochloride. In addition, each capsule contains the following inactive ingredients: acetyltributyl citrate, ammoniomethacrylate copolymer-NE, D & C Red #28, D & C Yellow #10, D & C Yellow #10 Aluminum Lake, amylose, FD & C Blue #1 Aluminum Lake, FD & C Blue #2 Aluminum Lake, FD & C Red #40, FD & C Red #40 Aluminum Lake, gelatin-NE, magnesium stearate, methacrylic acid copolymer-NE, propylene glycol, polyorbite 80-NE, starch, sucrose, USF, and titanium dioxide. The 180 mg and 240 mg capsules contain yellow iron oxide. In addition, the 240 mg capsule also contains black iron oxide and red iron oxide.

USP Drug release test pending.

CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY

The therapeutic effects of Diltiazem Hydrochloride Extended-release Capsules USP (once-a-day dosage) are primarily related to its ability to inhibit the influx of calcium ions during membrane repolarization of cardiac and vascular smooth muscle.

Antihypertensive Action

Hypertensive Action. Diltiazem Hydrochloride Extended-release Capsules USP (once-a-day dosage) produces its antihypertensive effect primarily by relaxation of vascular smooth muscle and the resultant decrease in peripheral vascular resistance. The magnitude of blood pressure reduction is related to the degree of hypertension; thus hypertensive individuals experience an antihypertensive effect whereas there is only a modest reduction in blood pressure in normotensives.

Angina. Diltiazem Hydrochloride Extended-release Capsules USP (once-a-day dosage) has been shown to produce increases in exercise tolerance, probably due to its ability to reduce myocardial oxygen demand. This is accomplished by reductions in heart rate and systemic blood pressure at submaximal and maximal work loads. Diltiazem has been shown to be a potent dilator of coronary arteries, both epicardial and subendocardial. Spontaneous and ergonovine-induced coronary artery spasm are inhibited by diltiazem.

In animal models, diltiazem interferes with the slow inward (depolarizing) current in excitable tissue. It causes excitotoxicity by accumulating in various myocardial tissues without changes in the configuration of the action potential. Diltiazem produces relaxation of coronary vascular smooth muscle and dilation of both large and small coronary arteries at drug levels which cause little or no negative inotropic effect. The resultant increases in coronary blood flow (epicardial and subendocardial)

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Hemodynamic and Electrocardiologic Effects

Like other calcium channel antagonists, diltiazem decreases sinoatrial and atrioventricular conduction in isolated tissues and has a negative inotropic effect in isolated preparations. In the intact animal, prolongation of the AH interval can be seen at higher doses.

In man, diltiazem prevents spontaneous and ergonovine-provoked coronary artery spasm. It causes a decrease in peripheral vascular resistance and a modest fall in blood pressure in normotensive individuals and, in exercise tolerance studies in patients with ischemic heart disease, reduces the heart rate-blood pressure product for any given workload. Studies to date, primarily in patients with good ventricular function, have not revealed evidence of a negative inotropic effect, cardiac output, ejection fraction, and left ventricular end diastolic pressure have not been affected. Such data have no predictive value with respect to effects in patients with poor ventricular function, and increased right failure has been reported in patients with pre-existing impairment of respiratory function. There are a few data on the interaction of diltiazem and beta-blockers in patients with poor ventricular function. Resting heart rate is usually slightly reduced by diltiazem.

In hypertensive patients, Diltiazem Hydrochloride Extended-release Capsules USP (once-a-day dosage) produced antihypertensive effects both in the supine and standing positions. In a double-blind, parallel, dose-response study utilizing doses ranging from 90 to 540 mg once daily, diltiazem hydrochloride extended-release capsule (once-a-day dosage) lowered supine diastolic blood pressure in an apparent linear manner over the entire dosage range studied. The changes in diastolic blood pressure measured at trough, for placebo, 90 mg, 180 mg, 360 mg, and 540 mg were 2.9, 4.5, 6.1, 9.5, and 10.5 mmHg, respectively. Postural hypotension is frequently noted upon suddenly assuming an upright position. No reflex tachycardia is associated with the chronic antihypertensive effects. Diltiazem Hydrochloride Extended-release Capsules USP (once-a-day dosage) decreases plasma renin activity, increases cardiac output (measured stroke volume), and produces a slight decrease in maximal heart rate. During dynamic exercise, increases in diastolic pressure are inhibited, while maximum achievable systolic pressure is usually reduced. Chronic therapy with Diltiazem Hydrochloride Extended-release Capsules USP (once-a-day dosage) produces no change or an increase in plasma catecholamine. An increased activity of the renin-angiotensin-aldosterone axis has been observed. Diltiazem Hydrochloride Extended-release Capsules USP (once-a-day dosage) reduces the renal and peripheral effects of angiotensin II. Hypertensive animal models respond to diltiazem with reductions in blood pressure and increased urinary output and natriuresis without a change in urinary sodium/potassium ratio.

In a double-blind, parallel dose-response study, at doses from 60 mg to 480 mg once daily, diltiazem hydrochloride extended-release capsule (once-a-day dosage) increased time to termination of exercise in a linear manner over the entire dose range studied. The improvement in time to termination of exercise utilizing a Bruce exercise protocol, measured at trough, for placebo, 60 mg, 120 mg, 240 mg, 360 mg, and 480 mg was 29, 40, 52, 61, 63 and 63 seconds, respectively. As doses of diltiazem hydrochloride extended-release capsule (once-a-day dosage) were increased, overall angina frequency was decreased. Diltiazem hydrochloride extended-release capsule (once-a-day dosage), 180 mg once daily, or placebo was administered in a double-blind study to patients receiving concomitant treatment with long-acting nitrates and/or beta-blockers. A significant increase in time to termination of exercise and a significant decrease in overall angina frequency was observed in this trial. The overall frequency of adverse events in the diltiazem hydrochloride extended-release capsule (once-a-day dosage) treatment group was the same as the placebo group.

Intravenous diltiazem in doses of 20 mg prolongs AH conduction time and AV node functional and effective refractory periods by approximately 20%. In a study involving single oral doses of 300 mg of diltiazem hydrochloride in six normal volunteers, the average maximum PR prolongation was 14% with no instances of greater than first-degree AV block. Diltiazem-associated prolongation of the AH interval is not more pronounced in patients with first-degree heart block. In patients with sick sinus syndrome, diltiazem significantly pro-

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Intravenous diltiazem in doses of 20 mg prolongs AH conduction time and AV node functional and effective refractory periods by approximately 20%. In a study involving single oral doses of 300 mg of diltiazem hydrochloride in six normal volunteers, the average maximum PR prolongation was 14% with no instances of greater than first-degree AV block. Diltiazem-associated prolongation of the AH interval is not more pronounced in patients with first-degree heart block. In patients with sick sinus syndrome, diltiazem significantly prolongs sinus cycle length (up to 50% in some cases). Occasional administration of diltiazem hydrochloride to patients in doses of up to 540 mg/day has resulted in small increases in PR interval and on occasion produces abnormal prolongation. See WARNINGS.

Pharmacokinetics and Metabolism

Diltiazem is well absorbed from the gastrointestinal tract and is subject to an extensive first-pass effect, giving an absolute bioavailability (compared to intravenous administration) of about 40%. Diltiazem undergoes extensive metabolism in which only 2% to 4% of the unchanged drug appears in the urine. Drugs which induce or inhibit hepatic microsomal enzymes may alter diltiazem disposition. Total radioactivity measurement following short IV administration in healthy volunteers suggests the presence of other unidentified metabolites, which attain higher concentrations than those of diltiazem and are more slowly eliminated; half-life of total radioactivity is about 20 hours compared to 2 to 5 hours for diltiazem.

In vitro binding studies show diltiazem is 70% to 80% bound to plasma proteins. Competitive in vitro ligand binding studies have also shown diltiazem binding is not altered by therapeutic concentrations of theophylline, hydrochlorothiazide, phenylbutazone, propranolol, salicylic acid, or warfarin. The plasma elimination half-life following single or multiple drug administration is approximately 3.0 to 4.5 hours. Desacetyl diltiazem is also present in the plasma at levels of 10% to 20% of the parent drug and is 25% as potent as a coronary vasodilator. Minimum therapeutic plasma diltiazem concentrations appear to be in the range of 50 to 200 ng/mL. There is a departure from linearity when dose strengths are increased; the half-life is slightly increased with dose. A study that compared patients with normal hepatic function to patients with cirrhosis found an increase in half-life and a 69% increase in bioavailability in the hepatically impaired patients. A single study in patients with severely impaired renal function showed no difference in the pharmacokinetic profile of diltiazem compared to patients with normal renal function.

When compared to a regimen of diltiazem tablets at steady state, more than 95% of drug is absorbed from the diltiazem hydrochloride extended-release capsules (once-a-day dosage) formulation. A single 360-mg dose of the capsule results in detectable plasma levels within 2 hours and peak plasma levels between 10 and 14 hours; absorption occurs throughout the dosing interval.

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INDICATIONS AND USAGE

Diltiazem Hydrochloride Extended-release Capsules, USP (once-a-day dosage) is indicated for the treatment of hypertension. It may be used alone or in combination with other antihypertensive medications.

Diltiazem Hydrochloride Extended-release Capsules, USP (once-a-day dosage) is indicated for the management of chronic stable angina and angina due to coronary artery spasm.

CONTRAINDICATIONS

Diltiazem is contraindicated in (1) patients with sick sinus syndrome except in the presence of a functioning ventricular pacemaker, (2) patients with second- or third-degree AV block except in the presence of a functioning ventricular pacemaker, (3) patients with hypotension (less than 90 mm Hg systolic), (4) patients who have demonstrated hypersensitivity to the drug, and (5) patients with acute myocardial infarction and pulmonary congestion documented by x-ray on admission.

WARNINGS

1. Cardiac Conduction. Diltiazem prolongs AV node refractory periods without significantly prolonging sinus node recovery time, except in patients with sick sinus syndrome. This effect may rarely result in abnormally slow heart rates (particularly in patients with sick sinus syndrome) or second- or third-degree AV block (13 of 3230 patients or 0.40%). Concomitant use of diltiazem with beta-blockers or digitalis may result in additive effects on cardiac conduction. A patient with Prinzmetal's angina developed periods of asystole (2 to 5 seconds) after a single dose of 60 mg of diltiazem. (See ADVERSE REACTIONS.)

2. Congestive Heart Failure. Although diltiazem has a negative inotropic effect in isolated animal tissue preparations, hemodynamic studies in humans with normal ventricular function have not shown a reduction in cardiac index nor consistent negative effects on contractility (dp/dt). An acute study of oral diltiazem in patients with impaired ventricular function (ejection fraction 24% ± 6%) showed improvement in indices of ventricular function without significant decrease in contractile function (dp/dt). Worsening of congestive heart failure has been reported in patients with preexisting impairment of ventricular function. Experience with the use of diltiazem hydrochloride in combination with beta-blockers in patients with impaired ventricular function is limited. Caution should be exercised when using this combination.

3. Hypotension. Decreases in blood pressure associated with diltiazem therapy may occasionally result in symptomatic hypotension.

4. Acute Hepatic Injury. Mild elevations of transaminases with and without concomitant elevation in alkaline phosphatase and bilirubin have been observed in clinical studies. Such elevations were usually transient and frequently resolved even with continued diltiazem treatment. In rare instances, significant elevations in enzymes such as alkaline phosphatase, LDH, SGOT, SGPT, and other phenomena consistent with acute hepatic injury have been noted. These reactions tended to occur early after therapy initiation (1 to 8 weeks) and have been reversible upon discontinuation of drug therapy. The relationship to diltiazem is uncertain in some cases, but probable in some. (See PRECAUTIONS.)

PRECAUTIONS

General

Diltiazem hydrochloride is extensively metabolized by the liver and excreted by the kidneys and in bile. As with any drug given over prolonged periods, laboratory parameters of renal and hepatic function should be monitored at regular intervals. The drug should be used with caution in patients with impaired renal or hepatic function. In subacute and chronic dog and rat studies designed to produce toxicity, high doses of diltiazem were associated with hepatic damage in special subacute hepatic studies; oral doses of 125 mg/kg and higher in rats were associated with histological changes in the

continued use of diltiazem. However, skin eruptions progressing to erythema multiforme and/or exfoliative dermatitis have also been infrequently reported. Should a dermatologic reaction persist, the drug should be discontinued.

Drug Interactions

Due to the potential for additive effects, caution and careful therapy are warranted in patients receiving diltiazem concurrently with other agents known to affect cardiac conduction and/or conduction. (See WARNINGS.) Pharmacologic studies indicate that there may be additive effects in prolonging AV conduction when using beta-blockers or digoxin concurrently with diltiazem. (See WARNINGS.)

As with all drugs, care should be exercised when treating patients with multiple medications. Diltiazem undergoes biotransformation by cytochromes P-450 mixed function oxidase. Coadministration of diltiazem with other agents which follow the same route of biotransformation may result in the competitive inhibition of metabolism. Especially in patients with renal and/or hepatic impairment, dosages of similarly metabolized drugs, particularly those of low therapeutic ratio, may require adjustment when starting or stopping concomitantly administered diltiazem to maintain optimum therapeutic blood levels.

Beta-Blockers. Controlled and uncontrolled domestic studies suggest that concomitant use of diltiazem and beta-blockers is usually well tolerated, but available data are not sufficient to predict the effects of concomitant treatment in patients with left ventricular dysfunction or cardiac conduction abnormalities.

Administration of diltiazem hydrochloride concomitantly with propranolol in five normal volunteers resulted in increased propranolol levels in all subjects and bioavailability of propranolol was increased approximately 50%. *In vitro*, propranolol appears to be displaced from its binding sites by diltiazem. If combination therapy is initiated or withdrawn in conjunction with propranolol, an adjustment in the propranolol dose may be warranted. (See WARNINGS.)

Cimetidine. A study in six healthy volunteers has shown a significant increase in peak diltiazem plasma levels (58%) and area-under-the-curve (53%) after a 1-week course of cimetidine at 1200 mg per day and a single dose of diltiazem 60 mg. Ranitidine produced lesser, nonsignificant increases. The effect may be mediated by cimetidine's known inhibition of hepatic cytochrome P-450, the enzyme system responsible for the first-pass metabolism of diltiazem. Patients currently receiving diltiazem therapy should be carefully monitored for a change in pharmacological effect when initiating and discontinuing therapy with cimetidine. An adjustment in the diltiazem dose may be warranted.

Digoxin. Administration of diltiazem with digoxin in 24 healthy male subjects increased plasma digoxin concentrations approximately 20%. Another investigator found no increase in digoxin levels in 12 patients with coronary artery disease. Since there have been conflicting results regarding the effect of diltiazem, it is recommended that digoxin levels be monitored when initiating, adjusting, and discontinuing diltiazem therapy to avoid possible over- or under-digitalization. (See WARNINGS.)

Anesthetics. The depression of cardiac contractility, conductivity, and automaticity as well as the vasodilator effect associated with anesthetics may be potentiated by calcium channel blockers. When used concurrently, anesthetics and calcium blockers should be titrated carefully.

Cyclosporine. A pharmacokinetic interaction between diltiazem and cyclosporine has been observed during studies involving renal and cardiac transplant patients. In renal and cardiac transplant recipients, a reduction of cyclosporine dose ranging from 15% to 48% was necessary to maintain cyclosporine trough concentrations similar to those seen prior to the addition of diltiazem. If these agents are to be administered concurrently, cyclosporine concentrations should be monitored, especially when diltiazem therapy is initiated, adjusted, or discontinued.

The effect of cyclosporine on diltiazem plasma concentrations has not been evaluated.

Carbamazepine. Concomitant administration of diltiazem with carbamazepine has been reported to result in elevated serum levels of carbamazepine (40% to 72% increase), resulting in toxicity in some cases. Patients receiving these drugs concurrently should be monitored for a potential drug interaction.

Carcinogenesis, Mutagenesis, Impairment of Fertility

A 24-month study in rats at oral dosage levels of up to 100 mg/kg/day and a 21-month study in mice at oral dosage levels of up to 30 mg/kg/day showed no evidence of carcinogenicity. There was also no mutagenic response *in vitro* or *in vivo* in mammalian cell assays or *in vitro* in bacteria. No evidence of impaired fertility was observed in a study performed in male and female rats at oral dosages of up to 100 mg/kg/day.

Pregnancy

Category C. Reproduction studies have been conducted in mice, rats, and rabbits. Administration of doses ranging from five to ten times greater (on a mg/kg basis) than the daily recommended therapeutic dose has resulted in embryo and fetal lethality. These doses, in some studies, have been reported to cause skeletal abnormalities. In the perinatal/postnatal studies there was an increased incidence of stillbirths at doses of 20 times the human dose or greater.

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Lactation

Diltiazem is secreted in human milk. One report suggests that concentrations in breast milk may approximate serum levels. If use of diltiazem is deemed essential, an alternative method of infant feeding should be instituted.

Use in Children

Safety and effectiveness in pediatric patients have not been established.

ADVERSE REACTIONS

Various adverse reactions have been rare in studies carried out to date, but it should be recognized that patients with impaired ventricular function and cardiac conduction abnormalities have usually been excluded from these studies.

The following table presents the most common adverse reactions reported in placebo-controlled trials and hypertension trials in patients receiving diltiazem hydrochloride extended-release capsules (once-a-day dosing) product up to 300 mg with rates in placebo patients shown for comparison.

Adverse Reaction	Diltiazem Hydrochloride Extended-release Capsule (mg/day)	Placebo
Headache	0.4%	0.7%
Dizziness	1.0%	1.0%
AV Block	1.3%	1.2%
First-degree AV block	1.2%	0.8%
Bradycardia	1.3%	1.2%
Flushing	1.3%	1.7%

In clinical trials of Diltiazem hydrochloride Extended-release Capsules (Once-a-day Dosage), diltiazem hydrochloride tablets and diltiazem hydrochloride extended-release capsules involving over 3200 patients, the most common events (i.e., greater than 1%) were edema (4.6%), headache (4.6%), dizziness (3.5%), asthma (2.8%), first-degree AV block (2.4%), bradycardia (1.7%), flushing (1.4%), sinusitis (1.4%) and rash (1.2%).

In addition, the following events were reported infrequently (less than 1%) in angina or hypertension trials:

Cardiovascular:
Angina, arrhythmias, AV block (second- or third-degree), bundle branch block, congestive heart failure, ECG abnormalities, hypotension, palpitations, syncope, tachycardia, ventricular extrasystoles.

Nervous System:
Abnormal dreams, nervousness, depression, gait abnormality, hallucinations, insomnia, nervousness, paresthesia, personality change, somnolence, tremor.

Gastrointestinal:
Anorexia, constipation, diarrhea, dry mouth, dyspepsia, dyspepsia, mild elevations of SGOT, SGPT, LDH, and alkaline phosphatase (see hepatic warnings), thirst, vomiting, weight increase.

Immunological:
Rash, photosensitivity, pruritus, urticaria.

Other:
Asthenia, CPK increase, dyspnea, epistaxis, eye irritation, hyperglycemia, hyperuricemia, impotence, muscle cramps, nasal congestion, nocturia, osteoarticular pain, polyuria, sexual difficulties.

The following potentially serious events have been reported infrequently in patients receiving diltiazem: allergic reactions, alopecia, angioedema (including facial or periorbital edema), anisotropy, erythema multiforme (including Stevens-Johnson syndrome, toxic epidermal necrolysis), exfoliative dermatitis, extrapyramidal symptoms, gingival hyperplasia, hemolytic anemia, increased bleeding time, leukopenia, purpura, retinopathy, and thrombocytopenia. In addition, events such as myocardial infarction have been observed which are not readily distinguishable from the natural history of the disease in these patients. A number of well-documented cases of generalized tonic-clonic convulsions as well as isolated tonic-clonic convulsions have been reported. However, a definitive cause and effect relationship between these events and diltiazem therapy is yet to be established.

OVERDOSEAGE

The oral LD₅₀'s in mice and rats range from 415 to 740 mg/kg and from 580 to 810 mg/kg, respectively. The intravenous LD₅₀'s in these species were 60 and 36 mg/kg, respectively. The oral LD₅₀ in dogs is considered to be in excess of 50 mg/kg, while lethality was seen in monkeys at 300 mg/kg.

The toxic dose in man is not known. Due to extensive metabolism, blood levels after a standard dose of diltiazem can vary over tenfold, depending on the sensitivity of blood levels in overdose cases.

There have been 29 reports of diltiazem overdose in doses ranging from less than 1 g to 10.8 g. Sixteen of these reports involved multiple drug ingestions.

Twenty-two reports indicated patients had recovered from diltiazem overdose ranging from less than 1 g to 10.8 g. There were seven reports with a fatal outcome; although the amount of diltiazem ingested was unknown, multiple drug ingestions were confirmed in six of the seven reports.

Events observed following diltiazem overdose included bradycardia, hypotension, heart block, and cardiac failure. Most reports of overdose described

ride Extended-release Capsules USP (once-a-day dosage) at the nearest equivalent total daily dose. Higher doses of Diltiazem Hydrochloride Extended-release Capsules USP (once-a-day dosage) may be needed in some patients. Patients should be closely monitored. Subsequent titration to higher or lower doses may be necessary and should be initiated as clinically warranted. There is limited general clinical experience with doses above 360 mg, but doses to 540 mg have been studied in clinical trials. The incidence of side effects increases as the dose increases with first-degree AV block, dizziness, and sinus bradycardia bearing the strongest relationship to dose.

Hypertension. Dosage needs to be adjusted by titration to individual patient needs. When used as monotherapy, reasonable starting doses are 180 to 240 mg once daily, although some patients may respond to lower doses. Maximum antihypertensive effect is usually observed by 14 days of chronic therapy; therefore, dosage adjustments should be scheduled accordingly. The usual dosage range studied in clinical trials was 240 to 360 mg once daily. Individual patients may respond to higher doses of up to 480 mg once daily.

Angina. Dosages for the treatment of angina should be adjusted to each patient's needs, starting with a dose of 120 or 180 mg once daily. Individual patients may respond to higher doses of up to 480 mg once daily. When necessary, titration may be carried out over a 7- to 14-day period.

Concomitant Use With Other Cardiovascular Agents.

- 1. Sublingual Nitroglycerin.** May be taken as required to abort acute anginal attacks during Diltiazem hydrochloride Extended-release Capsules, (Once A Day Dosage) therapy.
- 2. Prophylactic Nitrate Therapy.** Diltiazem hydrochloride Extended-release Capsules, (Once A Day Dosage) may be safely coadministered with short- and long-acting nitrates.
- 3. Beta-blockers.** (See WARNINGS and PRECAUTIONS.)
- 4. Antihypertensives.** Diltiazem hydrochloride extended-release capsules (Once A Day Dosage) have an additive antihypertensive effect when used with other antihypertensive agents. Therefore, the dosage of Diltiazem Hydrochloride Extended-release Capsules USP (once-a-day dosage) or the concomitant antihypertensives may need to be adjusted when adding one to the other.

HOW SUPPLIED

Diltiazem Hydrochloride Extended-release Capsules USP (Once-a-day dosage)			
Strength	Qty	NDC#	Description
120 mg	30 ct	62037-597-30	White/orange opaque capsule
	90 ct	62037-597-90	imprinted with "Andra 597" on one end and "120 mg" on the other
	1000 ct	62037-597-10	
180 mg	30 ct	62037-598-30	Yellow/orange opaque capsule
	90 ct	62037-598-90	imprinted with "Andra 598" on one end and "180 mg" on the other
	1000 ct	62037-598-10	
240 mg	30 ct	62037-599-30	Light brown/orange opaque capsule
	90 ct	62037-599-90	imprinted with "Andra 599" on one end and "240 mg" on the other
	1000 ct	62037-599-10	
300 mg	30 ct	62037-600-30	Orange/orange opaque capsule
	90 ct	62037-600-90	imprinted with "Andra 600" on one end and "300 mg" on the other
	1000 ct	62037-600-10	

Storage Conditions: Store at controlled room temperature 15-30°C (59-86°F). Avoid excessive humidity.

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Dispense in light, light resistant container as defined in USP.
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ONCE DAILY
CartiaXT
(diltiazem HCl extended-release capsules, USP)
ONCE-A-DAY DOSAGE

EACH CAPSULE CONTAINS:
Diltiazem Hydrochloride 120 mg
DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION: Read package insert for prescribing information.
Rx ONLY
WARNING: KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN.
PHARMACIST: Dispense in tight, light-resistant container as defined in USP.
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120 mg
30 CAPSULES

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CartiaXT
(diltiazem HCl extended-release capsules, USP)
ONCE-A-DAY DOSAGE

EACH CAPSULE CONTAINS:
Diltiazem Hydrochloride 300 mg
DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION: Read package insert for prescribing information.
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ONCE-A-DAY DOSAGE

EACH CAPSULE CONTAINS:
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DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION: Read package insert for prescribing information.

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CartiaXTTM

(diltiazem HCl extended-release capsules, USP)

ONCE-A-DAY DOSAGE

EACH CAPSULE CONTAINS:
Diltiazem Hydrochloride 180 mg
DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION: Read package insert for prescribing information.

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WARNING: KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN.

PHARMACIST: Dispense in tight, light-resistant container as defined in USP.

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EACH CAPSULE CONTAINS:
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CartiaXT™
(diltiazem HCl extended-release capsules, USP)
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180 mg
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EACH CAPSULE CONTAINS:
 Diltiazem Hydrochloride 180 mg
 DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION: Read package insert for prescribing information.
 Rx ONLY
 WARNING: KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN.
 PHARMACIST: Dispense in tight, light-resistant container as defined in USP.
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(diltiazem HCl extended-release capsules, USP)
ONCE-A-DAY DOSAGE

EACH CAPSULE CONTAINS:
Diltiazem Hydrochloride 240 mg
DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION: Read package insert for prescribing information.

Rx ONLY
WARNING: KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN.

PHARMACIST: Dispense in tight, light-resistant container as defined in USP.
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240 mg
500 CAPSULES

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CartiaXTTM
(diltiazem HCl extended-release capsules, USP)
ONCE-A-DAY DOSAGE

EACH CAPSULE CONTAINS:
Diltiazem Hydrochloride 300 mg
DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION: Read package insert for prescribing information.

Rx ONLY
WARNING: KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN.

PHARMACIST: Dispense in tight, light-resistant container as defined in USP.

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300 mg
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(ciltiazem HCl extended-
release capsules, USP)
ONCE-A-DAY DOSAGE

Andrx
Pharmaceuticals

EACH CAPSULE CONTAINS:
Ciltiazem Hydrochloride..... 120 mg
DOSE AND ADMINISTRATION: Read package insert for prescribing information.
WARNING: KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN.
PHARMACY: Dispense in tight, light-resistant container as defined in USP. Store at controlled room temperature, 15°-30° C (59°-86° F). Avoid excessive humidity.

Manufactured by:
Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33314

120 mg
90 CAPSULES

7002 (08/98)

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LOT:
EXP:



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NDC 62037-597-10

ONCE DAILY
CartiaXTM
(diltiazem HCl extended-
release capsules, USP)
ONCE-A-DAY DOSAGE

Andrx
PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

EACH CAPSULE CONTAINS:
Diltiazem Hydrochloride 120 mg
DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION: Read package insert for prescribing information.

Rx ONLY

WARNING: KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN.
PHARMACIST: Dispense in tight, light-resistant container as defined in USP.
Store at controlled room temperature, 15°-30°C (59°-86°F).
Avoid excessive humidity.

120 mg
1000 CAPSULES

Manufactured by:
Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33314

7004 (08/98)



LOT:
EXP:

7006 (08/98)

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EXP: LOT:

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EACH CAPSULE CONTAINS:
Diltiazem Hydrochloride 180 mg
DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION: Read
package insert for prescribing information.
Rx ONLY
WARNING: KEEP OUT OF REACH
OF CHILDREN.
PHARMACIST: Dispense in light, light-resistant
container as defined in USP.
Store at controlled room temperature,
15°-30°C (59°-86°F).
Avoid excessive humidity.

NDC 62037-598-90

ONCE DAILY
CartiaX[™]
(diltiazem HCl extended-
release capsules, USP)
ONCE-A-DAY DOSAGE

180 mg
90 CAPSULES

Manufactured by:
Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33314

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7008(08/98)

LOT:
EXP:



NDC 62037-598-10

ONCE DAILY
CartiaXt™

*(diltiazem HCl extended-
release capsules, USP)*

ONCE-A-DAY DOSAGE

EACH CAPSULE CONTAINS:
Diltiazem Hydrochloride 180 mg
DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION: Read package insert for prescribing information.
Rx ONLY
WARNING: KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN.
PHARMACIST: Dispense in tight, light-resistant container as defined in USP.
Store at controlled room temperature, 15°-30°C (59°-86°F).
Avoid excessive humidity.

Manufactured by:
Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33314

180 mg

1000 CAPSULES

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7010 (08/98)

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LOT:



Andrx
PHARMACEUTICALS

NDC 62037-599-90

ONCE DAILY
Cartiax[™]
(diltiazem HCl extended-
release capsules, USP)
ONCE-A-DAY DOSAGE

EACH CAPSULE CONTAINS:
Diltiazem Hydrochloride 240 mg
DOSE AND ADMINISTRATION: Read package insert for prescribing information.
Rx ONLY. KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN.
WARNING: Dispense in tight, light-resistant container as defined in USP.
PHARMACIST: Store at controlled room temperature, 15°-30° C (59°-86° F).
Avoid excessive humidity.

240 mg
90 CAPSULES

Manufactured by:
Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33314

NDC 62037-599-10



ONCE DAILY
CartiaXTM

*(diltiazem HCl extended-
release capsules, USP)*

ONCE-A-DAY DOSAGE

EACH CAPSULE CONTAINS:
Diltiazem Hydrochloride 240 mg
DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION: Read package insert for prescribing information.
Rx ONLY
WARNING: KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN.
PHARMACIST: Dispense in tight, light-resistant container as defined in USP.
Store at controlled room temperature, 15°-30°C (59°-86°F).
Avoid excessive humidity.

240 mg

1000 CAPSULES

Manufactured by:
Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33314

7012 (08/98)



EXP:
LOT:

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NDC 62037-600-90

ONCE DAILY
Cartiax[™]
*(diltiazem HCl extended-
release capsules, USP)*
ONCE-A-DAY DOSAGE

Andrx
PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

EACH CAPSULE CONTAINS:
Diltiazem Hydrochloride 300 mg
DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION: Read
package insert for prescribing information.
Rx ONLY
**WARNING: KEEP OUT OF REACH
OF CHILDREN.**
PHARMACIST: Dispense in light, light-resistant
container as defined in USP.
Store at controlled room temperature,
15°-30°C (59°-86°F).
Avoid excessive humidity.

300 mg
90 CAPSULES

Manufactured by:
Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33314



7014 (08/98)

JUN 8 1999
APPROVE

LOT:
EXP:

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NDC 62037-600-10

ONCE DAILY
CartiaX[™]

*(diltiazem HCl extended-
release capsules, USP)*

ONCE-A-DAY DOSAGE

Andrx
PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

EACH CAPSULE CONTAINS:
Diltiazem Hydrochloride 300 mg
DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION: Read package
insert for prescribing information.
Rx ONLY
WARNING: KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN.
PHARMACIST: Dispense in tight, light-resistant
container as defined in USP.
Store at controlled room temperature,
15°-30°C (59°-86°F).
Avoid excessive humidity.

300 mg

1000 CAPSULES

Manufactured by:
Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33314

7016 (08/98)



LOT:
EXP:

**CENTER FOR DRUG EVALUATION
AND RESEARCH**

APPLICATION NUMBER:

74-752/S-001 to S-018

CHEMISTRY REVIEW(S)



Food and Drug Administration
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research
Office of Generic Drugs
Chemistry Division II - Branch VI

Abbreviated New Drug Supplemental Application Review

ANDA 74-752/S-001, S-002, S-003

NAME AND ADDRESS OF APPLICANT:

Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
4001 S.W. 47th Avenue
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33314

PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT/SUPPLEMENT

S-001 - Packaging Addition: To provide for the addition of 90 count container/closure systems, 1000 count container closure systems, and changes in container sizes for the 120 mg x 30 capsule, 240 mg x 30 capsule, and 240 mg x 500 capsule packaging.

S-002 - Packaging Revision: To provide for a change in the

S-003 - Packaging Revision: To provide for a change in the

S-007 - Labeling Revision

DATE(S) OF SUBMISSION(S)

Supplement submission - August 18, 1998.
Amendment - April 23, 1999.

PHARMACOLOGICAL CATEGORY

Calcium Channel Blocker

TRADE NAME

Cartia-XT

NONPROPRIETARY NAME

Diltiazem
Hydrochloride

DOSAGE FORM

Extended release capsule

POTENCY

120 mg, 180 mg
240 mg, 300 mg

RX OR OTC

Rx

SAMPLES

N/A

RELATED IND/NDA/DMF

DMF # _____

DMF # _____
DMF # _____
DMF # _____

STERILIZATION

N/A

LABELING

Labeling was submitted as requested in the 3/23/99 letter showing the new proposed container/closure systems.

Labeling was found to be satisfactory per A. Vezza, 5/5/99.

The HOW SUPPLIED section of the package insert included all proposed container/closure systems.

BIOEQUIVALENCY STATUS

N/A

ESTABLISHMENT INSPECTION

N/A

COMPONENTS, COMPOSITION, MANUFACTURING, CONTROLS

No change.

PACKAGING

The firm indicated that they proposed the addition of a larger package size (1000 count) and changes to the _____
_____ Comparison of the proposed changes to the currently approved container/closure systems showed the following:

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Approved container/closure systems

	120 mg	180 mg	240 mg	300 mg
30 count	bottle,	bottle	bottle	bottle
500 count				

All caps are _____

Proposed container/closure systems

	120 mg	180 mg	240 mg	300 mg
30 count	bottle,	bottle	bottle	bottle
90 count	bottle	bottle	bottle	bottle

500 count	bottle	bottle	bottle	bottle
1000 count				

All caps are _____

In addition to the proposed changes, comparison will show that the firm has also included an _____ size of 90 count and changes to the container size used for the 120 mg x 30, 240 mg x 30 and 240 mg x 500. All of these changes except the 120 mg x 30 are bracketed by the original container/closure systems.

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ON ORIGINAL**

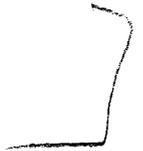
In support of the proposed changes, the firm submitted the following information regarding the proposed container/closure systems. Note that several of the container/closure systems have been previously approved in the original application.

1. Specifications and drawings for all bottles and caps.
2. USP <661> and <671> testing results for all container/closure systems except the _____ bottles.
3. Specifications, testing results, and 21 CFR certification for the _____
4. Specifications, testing results, and USP 23 certification for the _____

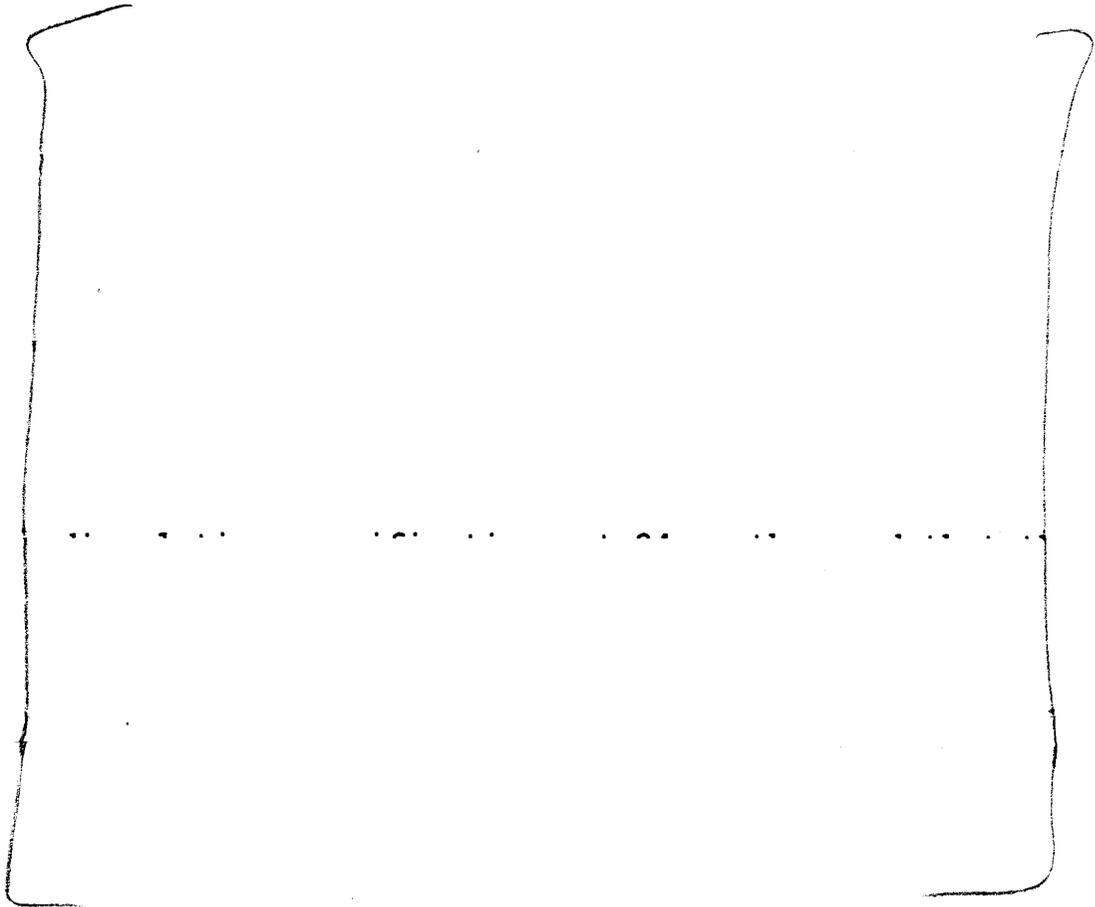
In support of the new container/closure systems, the firm packaged drug product in the smallest (30 count) and largest (1000 count) systems and placed them on accelerated stability. Packaging records were submitted for 120 mg Lot #597H001, 180 mg Lot #598H001, 240 mg Lot #599H001, and 300 mg Lot #600H001, along with blank packaging records for all container/closure sizes for all dosage levels.

1. **The firm submitted USP <661> and <671> testing results for the 120 cc and 150 cc container/closure systems demonstrating conformance to requirements as requested.**

STABILITY



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REMARKS AND CONCLUSION

The supplemental applications may be Approved.

RECALLS

N/A

Reviewer

Glen Jon Smith

ORDER OF REVIEW:

The application submission(s) covered by this review was taken in the date order of receipt Yes_____

No X

If no, explain reason(s) below. Expedited Review - Minor Amendment

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**Food and Drug Administration
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research
Office of Generic Drugs
Chemistry Division II - Branch VI
Abbreviated New Drug Supplemental Application Review**

✓ ANDA 74-752/S-001, S-002, S-003

NAME AND ADDRESS OF APPLICANT:

Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
4001 S.W. 47th Avenue
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33314

PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT/SUPPLEMENT

S-001 - Packaging Addition: To provide for the addition of 90 count container/closure systems, 1000 count container closure systems, and changes in container sizes for the 120 mg x 30 capsule, 240 mg x 30 capsule, and 240 mg x 500 capsule packaging.

S-002 - Packaging Revision: To provide for a change in the _____

S-003 - Packaging Revision: To provide for a change in the _____

DATE(S) OF SUBMISSION(S)

Supplement submission - August 18, 1998.

PHARMACOLOGICAL CATEGORY
Calcium Channel Blocker

TRADE NAME
Cartia-XT

NONPROPRIETARY NAME
Diltiazem
Hydrochloride

DOSAGE FORM
Extended release capsule

POTENCY
120 mg, 180 mg
240 mg, 300 mg

RX OR OTC
Rx

SAMPLES
N/A

RELATED IND/NDA/DMF

DMF # _____
DMF # _____

STERILIZATION
I/A

DMF # _____
 DMF # _____
 DMF # _____

LABELING

The firm has added 90 count and 1000 count container/closure systems with no labeling submission. Since the 1000 count requires prior approval supplement, package and container labels as well as revised package inserts must be submitted.

BIOEQUIVALENCY STATUS

N/A

ESTABLISHMENT INSPECTION

N/A

COMPONENTS, COMPOSITION, MANUFACTURING, CONTROLS

No change.

PACKAGING

The firm indicated that they proposed the addition of a larger package size (1000 count) and changes to the _____
 _____ Comparison of the proposed changes to the currently approved container/closure systems showed the following:

Approved container/closure systems

	120 mg	180 mg	240 mg	300 mg
30 count	bottle,	bottle	bottle	bottle
500 count				

All caps are _____

Proposed container/closure systems

	120 mg	180 mg	240 mg	300 mg
30 count	bottle,	bottle	bottle	bottle
90 count	bottle	bottle	bottle	bottle

500 count	bottle	bottle	bottle	bottle
1000 count				

All caps are _____

In addition to the proposed changes, comparison will show that the firm has also included an _____, size of 90 count and changes to the container size used for the 120 mg x 30, 240 mg x 30 and 240 mg x 500. All of these changes except the 120 mg x 30 are bracketed by the original container/closure systems.

In support of the proposed changes, the firm submitted the following information regarding the proposed container/closure systems. Note that several of the container/closure systems have been previously approved in the original application.

1. Specifications and drawings for all bottles and caps.
2. USP <661> and <671> testing results for all container/closure systems except the _____ bottles.

The firm should submit USP <661> and <671> testing results for the 120 cc and 150 cc container/closure systems.

3. Specifications, testing results, and 21 CFR certification for the _____
4. Specifications, testing results, and USP 23 certification for the _____

In support of the new container/closure systems, the firm packaged drug product in the smallest (30 count) and largest (1000 count) systems and placed them on accelerated stability. Packaging records were submitted for 120 mg Lot #597H001, 180 mg Lot #598H001, 240 mg Lot #599H001, and 300 mg Lot #600H001, along with blank packaging records for all container/closure sizes for all dosage levels.

STABILITY

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REMARKS AND CONCLUSION

The supplemental applications should be considered Not Approvable
- Minor Amendment.

RECALLS

N/A

Reviewer

Glen Jon Smith

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the date order of receipt Yes X

No _____

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Food and Drug Administration
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research
Office of Generic Drugs
Chemistry Division II - Branch VI
Abbreviated New Drug Supplemental Application Review

ANDA 74-752/S-004, S-006

NAME AND ADDRESS OF APPLICANT:

Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
4001 S.W. 47th Avenue
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33314

PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT/SUPPLEMENT

S-004 - Formulation Change:



S-006 - Label Revision.

DATE(S) OF SUBMISSION(S)

Supplement submission - September 11, 1998.
Amendment - December 22, 1998.
Amendment - January 14, 1999.
New Correspondence - January 29, 1999.
New Correspondence - February 23, 1999.
New Correspondence - March 26, 1999.
Amendment - April 14, 1999.
Amendment - May 20, 1999.

PHARMACOLOGICAL CATEGORY

Calcium Channel Blocker

TRADE NAME

Cartia-XT

NONPROPRIETARY NAME

Diltiazem
Hydrochloride

DOSAGE FORM

Extended release capsule

POTENCY

120 mg, 180 mg
240 mg, 300 mg

RX OR OTC

Rx

SAMPLES

N/A

RELATED IND/NDA/DMF

N/A

STERILIZATION

N/A

LABELING

Labeling was submitted as requested in the 4/2/99 letter showing Magnesium Stearate as an inactive ingredient in the DESCRIPTION section of the package insert.

Labeling was found to be satisfactory per A. Veza, 4/27/99.

BIOEQUIVALENCY STATUS

The firm submitted an *in vivo* bioequivalence study conducted using the revised formulation Lot #600R003B, 300 mg/capsule, comparing it to Cardizem CD® 300 mg/capsule, Lot #8P70935.

The firm requested a waiver of *in vivo* bioequivalence testing requirements for the 120 mg, 180 mg, and 240 mg product. Comparative dissolution data was submitted.

The Division of Bioequivalence has found the 300 mg capsules Lot #600R003B to be bioequivalent to Cardizem CD® 300 mg capsules Lot #P70935 per S. Pradhan, 1/7/99.

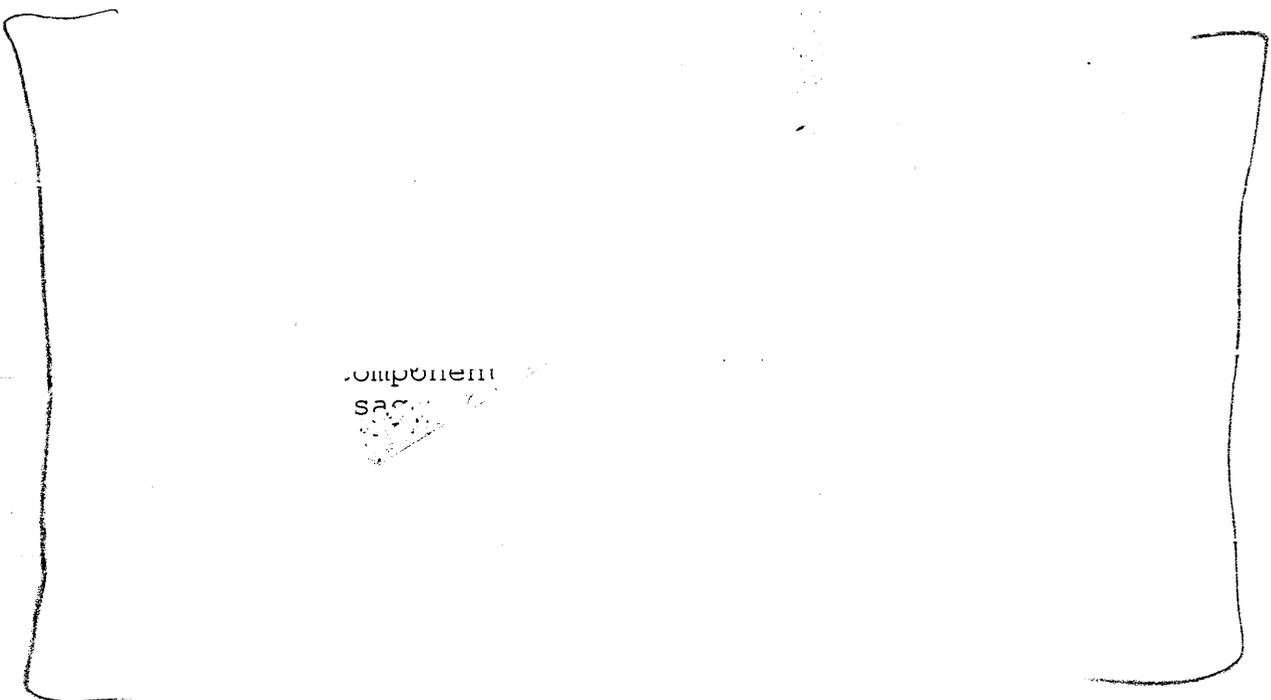
A waiver of *in vivo* bioequivalence studies for the 120 mg, 180 mg, and 240 mg capsules was granted per S. Pradhan, 1/7/99.

In vitro dissolution testing results were found to be acceptable per S. Pradhan, 1/7/99.

ESTABLISHMENT INSPECTION

N/A

COMPONENTS, COMPOSITION, MANUFACTURING, CONTROLS



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PACKAGING
N/A

STABILITY
See above.

REMARKS AND CONCLUSION

The firm submitted certification on March 26, 1999 (New Correspondence, Paragraph IV Certification received by the innovator firm February 5 and 8, 1999) indicating that the 45 day waiting period has expired. No actions have been taken against the firm as a result of the Paragraph IV Certification submitted to the Agency on January 29, 1999 and received by the innovator, February 5 and 8, 1999.

The supplemental application may be Approved.

RECALLS
N/A

Reviewer
Glen Jon Smith

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No X

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Food and Drug Administration
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research
Office of Generic Drugs
Chemistry Division II - Branch VI
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ANDA 74-752/S-004

NAME AND ADDRESS OF APPLICANT:

Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
4001 S.W. 47th Avenue
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33314

PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT/SUPPLEMENT

S-004 - Formulation Change:



DATE(S) OF SUBMISSION(S)

Supplement submission - September 11, 1998.
Amendment - December 22, 1998.
Amendment - January 14, 1999.
New Correspondence - February 23, 1999.

PHARMACOLOGICAL CATEGORY
Calcium Channel Blocker

TRADE NAME
Cartia-XT

NONPROPRIETARY NAME
Diltiazem
Hydrochloride

DOSAGE FORM
Extended release capsule

POTENCY
120 mg, 180 mg
240 mg, 300 mg

RX OR OTC
Rx

SAMPLES
N/A

RELATED IND/NDA/DMF
N/A

STERILIZATION
N/A

LABELING

The firm failed to submit a revised package insert indicating the addition of magnesium stearate as an inactive ingredient.

BIOEQUIVALENCY STATUS

The firm submitted an *in vivo* bioequivalence study conducted using the revised formulation Lot #600R003B, 300 mg/capsule, comparing it to Cardizem CD® 300 mg/capsule, Lot #8P70935.

The firm requested a waiver of *in vivo* bioequivalence testing requirements for the 120 mg, 180 mg, and 240 mg product. Comparative dissolution data was submitted.

The Division of Bioequivalence has found the 300 mg capsules Lot #600R003B to be bioequivalent to Cardizem CD® 300 mg capsules Lot #P70935 per S. Pradhan, 1/7/99.

A waiver of *in vivo* bioequivalence studies for the 120 mg, 180 mg, and 240 mg capsules was granted per S. Pradhan, 1/7/99.

In vitro dissolution testing results were found to be acceptable per S. Pradhan, 1/7/99.

ESTABLISHMENT INSPECTION

N/A

COMPONENTS, COMPOSITION, MANUFACTURING, CONTROLS



PACKAGING

N/A

STABILITY

See above.

REMARKS AND CONCLUSION

Note that litigation between the innovator and the firm has not been resolved. The firm sent additional notices of noninfringement to the innovator as a result of this supplement.

The supplemental application should be considered Not Approvable
- Minor Amendment.

RECALLS
N/A

Reviewer
Glen Jon Smith

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the date order of receipt Yes X
No _____

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Endorsements:

HFD-647/GJSmith/3.12.99.

HFD-647/UVenkataram/3.19.99

JSI - 2/20/99

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4/1/99

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F/T by gp/3.30.99

TYPE OF LETTER: NOT APPROVABLE - MINOR AMENDMENT

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Food and Drug Administration
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research
Office of Generic Drugs
Abbreviated New Drug Supplemental Application Review

✓ ANDA 74-752/S-008, S-009

NAME AND ADDRESS OF APPLICANT

Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
Attention: Diane Servello
4001 SW 47th Avenue
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33314

PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT/SUPPLEMENT

S-008, S-009: _____

DATE(S) OF SUBMISSION(S)

June 24, 1999

January 27, 2000 - minor amendment

PHARMACOLOGICAL CATEGORY

Anti-hypertensive

TRADE NAME

N/A

NONPROPRIETARY NAME

Diltiazem Hydrochloride Extended-Release Capsules, USP

DOSAGE FORM

Capsules/Oral

POTENCY

120 mg, 180 mg, 240 mg, and 300 mg

RX OR OTC

Rx

SAMPLES

N/A

RELATED IND/NDA/DMF

DMF # _____

DMF # _____

STERILIZATION

N/A

LABELING

No changes

BIOEQUIVALENCY STATUS

Dissolution profiles of the 300 mg capsules manufactured using the Diltiazem, lot #600R010, and the Diltiazem, lot

#600R011 were compared to that of the ANDA biobatch lot #600R003. The applicant states all three lots were manufactured using the

ESTABLISHMENT INSPECTION

An acceptable EIR was issued by the Office of Compliance for the following facility, 07/12/99:

An acceptable EIR was issued by the Office of Compliance for the following facility on 11/22/99 by E. Egas.

COMPONENTS, COMPOSITION, MANUFACTURING, CONTROLS



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Food and Drug Administration
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research
Office of Generic Drugs
Abbreviated New Drug Supplemental Application Review

✓ ANDA 74-752/S-010

NAME AND ADDRESS OF APPLICANT

Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
Attention: Diane Servello
4001 SW 47th Avenue
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33314

PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT/SUPPLEMENT

S-010:

DATE(S) OF SUBMISSION(S)

September 17, 1999

PHARMACOLOGICAL CATEGORY

Anti-hypertensive

TRADE NAME

Cartia-XTTM

NONPROPRIETARY NAME

Diltiazem Hydrochloride Extended-release Capsules, USP

DOSAGE FORM

Capsules/Oral

POTENCY

120 mg, 180 mg, 240 mg, and 300 mg

RX OR OTC

Rx

SAMPLES

N/A

RELATED IND/NDA/DMF

N/A

STERILIZATION

N/A

LABELING

No changes

BIOEQUIVALENCY STATUS

N/A

ESTABLISHMENT INSPECTION

N/A

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Endorsements:

HFD-647/B.M.Azarm/02/22/00, 02/25/00 (revised)
HFD-647/U.Venkataram/3/6/00

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ANDA 74-752/S-011 (120 mg, 180 mg, 240 mg and 300 mg)
74-852/S-004 (120 mg, 180 mg and 240 mg)

NAME AND ADDRESS OF APPLICANT:

Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
Attention: Diane Servello
4001 SW 47th Avenue
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33314

PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT/SUPPLEMENT

S-011, S-004:

DATE(S) OF SUBMISSION(S)

02/28/00

PHARMACOLOGICAL CATEGORY

Anti-hypertensive

TRADE NAME

Cartia XT (74-752)

Diltia XT (74-852)

NONPROPRIETARY NAME

Diltiazem Hydrochloride Extended-release Capsules, USP

DOSAGE FORM

Capsules/Oral

POTENCY

120 mg, 180 mg, 240 mg & 300 mg (74-752)

120 mg, 180 mg & 240 mg (74-852)

RX OR OTC

RX

SAMPLES

N/A

RELATED IND/NDA/DMF

N/A

STERILIZATION

N/A

LABELING

No changes

BIOEQUIVALENCY STATUS

N/A

ESTABLISHMENT INSPECTION

N/A

COMPONENTS, COMPOSITION, MANUFACTURING, CONTROLS

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✓ ANDA 74-752/S-012

NAME AND ADDRESS OF APPLICANT:

Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
Attention: Diane Servello
4001 SW 47th Avenue
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33314

PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT/SUPPLEMENT

S-012: To provide for an additional in-process dissolution
test for Diltiazem HCl Extended-release

DATE(S) OF SUBMISSION(S)

July 19, 2000

PHARMACOLOGICAL CATEGORY

1. hypertension
2. chronic stable angina due to coronary artery spasm

TRADE NAME

Cartia XT

NONPROPRIETARY NAME

Diltiazem Extended-release Capsules, USP

DOSAGE FORM

Capsules/Oral

POTENCY

120 mg, 180 mg, 240 mg, & 300 mg

RX OR OTC

RX

SAMPLES

N/A

RELATED IND/NDA/DMF

N/A

STERILIZATION

N/A

LABELING

No changes

BIOEQUIVALENCY STATUS

N/A

ESTABLISHMENT INSPECTION

N/A

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STABILITY

N/A

REMARKS AND CONCLUSION

The supplemental application may be approved.

RECALLS

Reviewer

Bitra Mirzai-Azarm

Date Completed

12/27/00

ORDER OF REVIEW:

The application submission(s) covered by this review was taken
in the date order of receipt Yes X

No _____

If no, explain reason(s) below.

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✓ ANDA 74-752/S-013

NAME AND ADDRESS OF APPLICANT:

Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
Attention: Diane Servello
4001 SW 47th Avenue
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33314

PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT/SUPPLEMENT

S-013: To provide for an improvement to the process for Diltiazem HCl
Extended-release

DATE(S) OF SUBMISSION(S)

July 28, 2000

PHARMACOLOGICAL CATEGORY

1. hypertension
2. chronic stable angina due to coronary artery spasm

TRADE NAME

Cartia XT

NONPROPRIETARY NAME

Diltiazem Extended-release Capsules, USP

DOSAGE FORM

Capsules/Oral

POTENCY

120 mg, 180 mg, 240 mg, & 300 mg

RX OR OTC

RX

SAMPLES

N/A

RELATED IND/NDA/DMF

N/A

STERILIZATION

N/A

LABELING

No changes

BIOEQUIVALENCY STATUS

N/A

ESTABLISHMENT INSPECTION

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STABILITY

See above.

REMARKS AND CONCLUSION

The supplemental application may be approved.

RECALLS

Reviewer

Bitra Mirzai-Azarm

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✓ ANDA 74-752/S-014

NAME AND ADDRESS OF APPLICANT:

Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
Attention: Diane Servello
4955 Orange Drive
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33314

PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT/SUPPLEMENT

S-014: To ~~_____~~ that exceed the
~~_____~~ dissolution limit at the 12-hour time point.

DATE(S) OF SUBMISSION(S)

June 13, 2001

PHARMACOLOGICAL CATEGORY

1. treatment of hypertension
2. management of chronic stable angina due to coronary artery spasm

TRADE NAME

Cartia XT

NONPROPRIETARY NAME

Diltiazem Hydrochloride Extended-Release Capsules, USP

DOSAGE FORM

Capsules/Oral

POTENCY

120 mg, 180 mg, 240 mg, & 300 mg

RX OR OTC

RX

SAMPLES

N/A

RELATED IND/NDA/DMF

N/A

STERILIZATION

N/A

LABELING

No changes

BIOEQUIVALENCY STATUS

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ESTABLISHMENT INSPECTION

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√ANDA 74-752/S-015

NAME AND ADDRESS OF APPLICANT:

Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
Attention: Diane Servello
4955 Orange Drive
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33314

PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT/SUPPLEMENT

S-015: To provide for a revision of the in-process
dissolution specifications for Diltiazem HCl

DATE(S) OF SUBMISSION(S)

August 21, 2001

PHARMACOLOGICAL CATEGORY

1. treatment of hypertension
2. management of chronic stable angina due to coronary artery spasm

TRADE NAME

Cartia XT

NONPROPRIETARY NAME

Diltiazem Hydrochloride Extended-Release Capsules, USP

DOSAGE FORM

Capsules/Oral

POTENCY

120 mg, 180 mg, 240 mg, & 300 mg

RX OR OTC

RX

SAMPLES

N/A

RELATED IND/NDA/DMF

N/A

STERILIZATION

N/A

LABELING

No changes

BIOEQUIVALENCY STATUS

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✓ ANDA 74-752/S-016

NAME AND ADDRESS OF APPLICANT:

Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
Attention: Diane Servello
4955 Orange Drive
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33314

PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT/SUPPLEMENT

S-016: Addition of _____

DATE(S) OF SUBMISSION(S)

June 4, 2002

PHARMACOLOGICAL CATEGORY

1. hypertension
2. chronic stable angina due to coronary artery spasm

TRADE NAME

Cartia XT

NONPROPRIETARY NAME

Diltiazem Extended-release Capsules, USP

DOSAGE FORM

Capsules/Oral

POTENCY

120 mg, 180 mg, 240 mg, & 300 mg

RX OR OTC

RX

SAMPLES

N/A

RELATED IND/NDA/DMF

N/A

STERILIZATION

N/A

LABELING

No changes

BIOEQUIVALENCY STATUS

N/A

ESTABLISHMENT INSPECTION

Acceptable on June 10, 2002

COMPONENTS, COMPOSITION, MANUFACTURING, CONTROLS

N/A

PACKAGING

The applicant proposed to add the following site : _____

Packaging of the drug product will be conducted using equipment of the same design and operating principle as those approved in the original application. The applicant enclosed a written stability commitment which states that Andrx Pharmaceuticals commits to placing the first production batch of each strength of the drug product in the smallest and largest container/closure system, and annual batches thereafter, on long-term stability studies using the approved protocol in the application.

STABILITY

N/A

REMARKS AND CONCLUSION

The supplemental application may be approved.

RECALLS

<u>Reviewer</u>	<u>Date Completed</u>
Bitra Mirzai-Azarm	10/07/02

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✓ ANDA See the appendix for the list of ANDAs (Global)

NAME AND ADDRESS OF APPLICANT:

Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
Attention: Janet Vaughn
4955 Orange Drive
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33314

PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT/SUPPLEMENT

Addition of _____

DATE(S) OF SUBMISSION(S)

June 24, 2002

PHARMACOLOGICAL CATEGORY

See the appendix

TRADE NAME

See the appendix

NONPROPRIETARY NAME

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DOSAGE FORM

See the appendix

POTENCY

See the appendix

RX OR OTC

RX

SAMPLES

N/A

RELATED IND/NDA/DMF

N/A

STERILIZATION

N/A

LABELING

N/A

BIOEQUIVALENCY STATUS

N/A

ESTABLISHMENT INSPECTION

Acceptable on July 3, 2002 by J.D. Ambrogio

COMPONENTS, COMPOSITION, MANUFACTURING, CONTROLS

No change

PACKAGING

The applicant proposed to add the following site as _____

Packaging of the drug product will be conducted using equipment of the same design and operating principle as those approved in the original application.

STABILITY

The applicant commits to placing the first production batch of each strength of the drug product in the smallest and largest container/closure system and annual batches thereafter, on long-term stability studies using the approved protocol in the application and to submitting the resulting data in annual reports.

REMARKS AND CONCLUSION

The supplemental applications may be approved.

RECALLS

<u>Reviewer</u>	<u>Date Completed</u>
Bitra Mirzai-Azarm	12/23/02

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✓ ANDA 74-752/S-018

NAME AND ADDRESS OF APPLICANT:

Andrx Pharmaceuticals, LLC
Attention: Janet Vaughn
4955 Orange Drive
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33314

PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT/SUPPLEMENT

S-018:

DATE(S) OF SUBMISSION(S)

June 30, 2003
October 24, 2003 – Telephone Amendment

PHARMACOLOGICAL CATEGORY

1. Treatment of hypertension
2. Management of chronic stable angina due to coronary artery spasm

TRADE NAME

Cartia XT

NONPROPRIETARY NAME

Diltiazem Hydrochloride Extended-release Capsules, USP

DOSAGE FORM

ER Capsules/Oral

POTENCY

120 mg, 180 mg, 240 mg & 300 mg

RX OR OTC

RX

SAMPLES

N/A

RELATED IND/NDA/DMF

N/A

STERILIZATION

N/A

LABELING

No changes

BIOEQUIVALENCY STATUS

N/A

ESTABLISHMENT INSPECTION

N/A

COMPONENTS, COMPOSITION, MANUFACTURING, CONTROLS

In summary, Cartia XT is manufactured as follows:



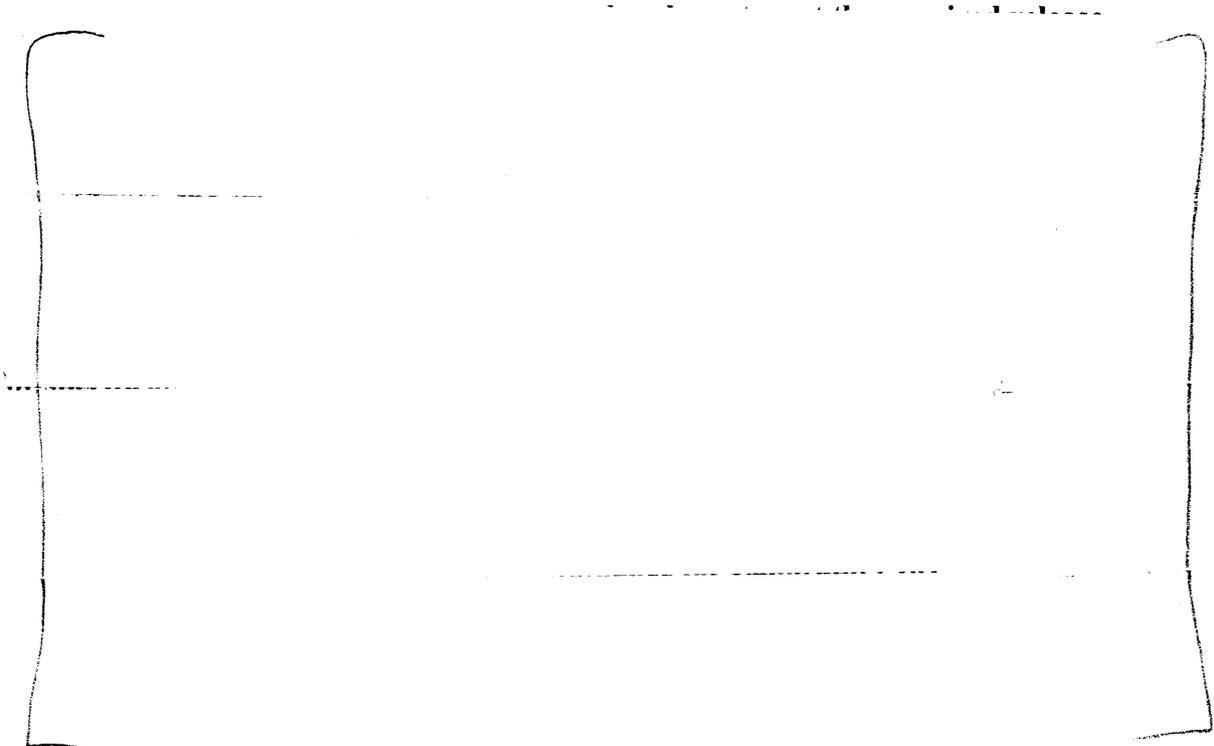
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PACKAGING

N/A

STABILITY

N/A

REMARKS AND CONCLUSION

The supplemental application may be approved.

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Reviewer

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10/14/03

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APPLICATION NUMBER:

74-752/S-001 to S-018

BIOEQUIVALENCE REVIEW

Diltiazem Hydrochloride ER Capsules
120 mg, 180 mg, 240 mg & 300 mg
ANDA # 74-752 / SC 4
Reviewer: Sikta Pradhan
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Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
Fort Lauderdale, Florida
Submission Date:
September 11, 1998
December 22, 1998

Review of An In Vivo Bioequivalence Study In Vitro Dissolution Data and Waiver Requests

Background:

Diltiazem is a calcium ion influx inhibitor (slow-channel blocker or calcium antagonist).

The firm had previously conducted acceptable bioequivalence studies and got approval on its Diltiazem Hydrochloride ER Capsules, 120 mg, 180 mg, 240 mg and 300 mg strengths. Diltiazem HCl Extended-release Capsules, USP (Once-A-day Dosage) contain two type of ~~_____~~ Diltiazem HCl Extended-release ~~_____~~ and Diltiazem HCl Extended-release ~~_____~~.

In this supplement Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc. informed the Agency that the firm wants ~~_____~~

~~_____~~ In addition, the firm is also requesting a change (tightened specification) in the dissolution specification in 0.1N HCl at 18 hours for the new ~~_____~~ from NLT ~~_____~~ to NLT ~~_____~~ (see II. Dissolution Specifications). However, there is no change to the dissolution specifications in pH 7.5 buffer. The firm has further stated that there will be no change to the dissolution specifications for, a) the ~~_____~~ and, b) the **Finished Product**. To support these proposed changes, the firm has provided the following:

1. The results of a bioequivalence study conducted on the reformulated 300 mg diltiazem test capsules under fasting conditions.
2. The dissolution testing including the F2 calculations on the 300 mg capsules of the test (reformulated) and reference products.
3. The dissolution testing on the 120 mg, 180 mg & 240 mg strengths of the reformulated test capsules and requested for waiver in vivo bioequivalence study on them.

1. FORMULATIONS.

The firm has previously got approval on Diltiazem HCl Extended-release Capsules, USP (Once-A- Day Dosage), 120, 180, 240 and 300 mg. All lower strengths were dose proportional to 300 mg strength on which the bioequivalence study was conducted. Each dose contains _____ of diltiazem from the _____ and _____ of diltiazem from the _____.

Composition of the Diltiazem HCl Extended-release (Once-A- Day Dosage)300 mg Capsule:

Ingredient	Diltiazem,%LC	Diltiazem %w/w (Theoretical)	Amount (mg)
_____	0	0	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
Total			_____

In order to enhance the quality of the product, the firm has proposed a small change in the compositions of _____.

Proposed Change in _____

	ANDA Biobatch (%)	Validation Batches* (%)	Proposed Change (%)
_____	_____	_____	_____
Talc, USD	_____	_____	_____
Mg Stearate	_____	_____	_____
Acetyl tributyl citrate(ATBC)	_____	_____	_____
Polysorbate 80	_____	_____	_____
Subtotal	_____	_____	_____

Diltiazem Active	_____	_____	_____
Total	100.0	_____	_____

commercial scale.(Validation Batch).

The proposed change replaces ~~_____~~ talc from the Validation Batch with ~~_____~~ magnesium stearate in the ~~_____~~ formulation. There is no change to the ~~_____~~

II. DISSOLUTION SPECIFICATIONS

Current Dissolution Specifications of Once-A-Day Capsules are presented below:

Medium	0.1N HCl		PH 7.5*, Paddles @75 rpm	
	Time, hr.	Specifications	Time, hr.	Specifications
Diltiazem HCl ER Once-a-Day Capsules	2	NMT _____ (paddle @ 75 rpm)	2	Between _____ and _____
			12	Between _____ and _____
	18	NLT _____	18	NLT _____
			24	NLT _____
_____	18	NLT _____ (paddle @ 100 rpm)	6	NMT _____
			12	NMT _____
			21	NLT _____

- * pH 7.5 phosphate buffer

Proposed Dissolution Specification:

The proposed dissolution specification for the new ~~_____~~ in 0.1N HCl at 18 hours is NLT ~~_____~~.

There is no change to the dissolution specifications in pH 7.5 buffer.

There is also no change to the dissolution specifications for the ~~_____~~ or the finished product.

Firm's Rationales in Support of Proposed Specification Change for ~~_____~~ and Proposed Component and Composition Change for ~~_____~~

- I. As the gastric emptying time for the ~~_____~~ is relatively short, i.e. 0.5 hr. (fast) to 2 hr. (fed), most of the time the ~~_____~~ are in the intestinal region. Therefore, the dissolution in 0.1N HCl (gastric condition) is only relevant up to the 2 hr. time point, and consequently, the specification for ~~_____~~ in 0.1N HCl at 18 hr. has no physiological meaning. After gastric emptying, the dissolution in the pH 7.5 buffer becomes more relevant. Hence, the proposed

dissolution specification, NLT _____ in 0.1N HCl at 18 hours, for the new _____ would be justifiable, if the in vivo bioavailability and in vitro dissolution of the **finished reformulated capsule** remain comparable to the RLD and previously approved product, respectively.

2. Both talc and magnesium stearate serve as _____ during the _____ and are therefore, _____
_____, the firm has conducted an in vivo bioequivalence study under fasting conditions and the dissolution testing, including F2 calculations, on the proposed reformulated test product.

III. SINGLE DOSE STUDY UNDER FASTING CONDITIONS

Study Information:

Sponsor: Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

Clinical Facility: _____

& Analytical Facilities: _____

Clinical Director: _____

Analytical Director: _____

Project No.: 98090 (approved by _____)

Pharmacokinetic and statistical Analysis: _____

Study Design: Andrx's Diltiazem (reformulated) 300 mg Capsules to the reference drug product, Cardizem CD^R 300 mg Capsules under fasting conditions

This was a randomized, single dose, two-way crossover design study comparing the test product, Andrx's Diltiazem (reformulated) 300 mg Capsules with the reference product, Cardizem CD^R 300 mg Capsules in twenty-eight (28) healthy male volunteers under fasting conditions.

Subject Selection

Subjects selected for the study met the following acceptance criteria:

1. Age range: 18 to 43 years.
2. Healthy as determined by physical examination, medical history, and clinical laboratory diagnostic tests: blood chemistry, hematology, urinalysis and HIV.
3. Absence of any exclusion criteria observed during the physical or laboratory evaluations.

4. Body weight within 10% of their ideal body weight according to Table of "Desirable Weights of Adults", Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, 1983.

Thirty volunteers met all eligibility requirements and successfully passed the exclusion criteria. In each study period, subjects were confined to the Clinical Research Center from the evening before drug administration until after the 24-hour post-dose blood draw.

Subject Restrictions:

1. No antacids and no alcohol-, grapefruit- or xanthine-containing beverages and foods for the 24 hours before dosing and throughout the period of sample collection.
2. No medication (including over-the-counter products) for the 7 days preceding the study.
3. Water intake was prohibited from one hour pre-dose until one hour post-dose.
4. Subjects remained ambulatory or seated upright and were prohibited from smoking during the first four hours following drug administration in each period.
5. No strenuous activity was permitted at any time during the housing period.

Clinical Study Dates: May 9, 1998 - May 18, 1998

Treatments:

- A. 1x300 mg capsule of diltiazem HCl extended release capsule (test product) of Andrx Pham. Inc., Lot #600R003A, Lot size ~~7~~ capsules, Potency 100.8%
- B. 1x300 mg capsule of Cardizem CD^R (Reference product) manufactured by Marion Roussel, Lot #P70395; Potency 100.2%, Exp. Date: June, 1998.

Dose Administrations:

A single oral dose of 300 mg diltiazem HCl extended release capsule (test or reference) was administered with 240 mL of water following a 10 hour fast.

Drug Washout Period: One week

Meal and Food Restrictions:

All volunteers fasted for 10 hours prior to and 4 hours after drug administration. No fluid except that given with drug administration was allowed from 1 hour prior to dose administration until 1 hours after dosing. Standard meal was served during the in-house confinement period. No caffeine-containing food or beverages were served during the study. All subjects were confined from 12 hours pre-dose to 36 hours post-dose.

Blood Samples Collection

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Safety Evaluations: Vital signs were obtained at 0 (pre-dose), and at 6, 10, 14, 24, and 36 hours post dose

Analytical Study Dates: May 26, 1998 – June 12, 1998

Assay Methodology

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The pharmacokinetic parameters derived from diltiazem and its two metabolites, desmethyldiltiazem and desacetyldiltiazem levels are presented in Tables 5, 6, and 7, respectively, below:

Table 2. Mean Plasma Diltiazem Levels (ng/mL) of 28 Subjects:

TIME(HR)	TEST TREATMENT A		REF. TREATMENT B	
0	0	(---)*	0	(---)
2	1.27	(199)	0.07	(529)
4	46.81	(136)	13.72	(108)
6	106.32	(48)	118.67	(45)
8	100.64	(44)	95.75	(37)
10	80.72	(46)	81.85	(48)
12	100.87	(46)	95.51	(50)
14	120.91	(48)	105.59	(43)
16	127.03	(41)	111.19	(36)
18	114.65	(46)	104.87	(39)
20	91.36	(47)	88.60	(41)
24	67.88	(44)	67.49	(42)
30	44.64	(54)	47.93	(56)
36	23.82	(75)	25.80	(74)
48	6.10	(106)	7.07	(100)

* Coefficient of Variation (CV%)

Table 3. Mean Plasma Desmethyldiltiazem Levels (ng/mL) of 28 Subjects:

TIME(HR)	TEST TREATMENT A		REF. TREATMENT B	
0	0	(---)*	0	(---)
2	0.0	(---)	0.0	(--)
4	7.51	(132)	2.15	(125)
6	21.92	(42)	23.56	(33)
8	25.12	(26)	24.24	(21)
10	23.75	(27)	23.75	(22)
12	27.71	(27)	27.19	(26)
14	32.26	(28)	30.71	(25)
16	35.38	(25)	32.62	(22)
18	34.59	(25)	32.83	(23)
20	30.46	(28)	30.28	(25)
24	25.08	(26)	24.49	(25)
30	20.24	(33)	20.94	(32)
36	13.11	(45)	13.80	(44)
48	4.50	(68)	4.80	(70)

* Coefficient of Variation (CV%)

Table 4. Mean Plasma Desacetyldiltiazem Levels (ng/mL) of 28 Subjects:

TIME(HR)	TEST TREATMENT A		REF. TREATMENT B	
0	0	(---)*	0	(---)
2	0.0	(---)	0.0	(---)
4	1.26	(191)	0.0	(---)
6	6.33	(79)	6.00	(69)
8	9.69	(67)	8.98	(62)
10	10.86	(62)	10.61	(63)
12	12.96	(73)	12.57	(80)
14	16.66	(73)	15.64	(81)
16	20.03	(77)	18.04	(84)
18	22.72	(82)	20.21	(83)
20	22.20	(84)	21.49	(86)
24	23.24	(95)	21.02	(89)
30	22.38	(114)	21.42	(100)
36	15.30	(122)	15.19	(116)
48	7.60	(172)	6.97	(165)

• Coefficient of Variation (CV%)

Table 5. Mean Pharmacokinetic Parameters for Diltiazem and
Summary of Statistical Analysis of Log-transformed Data

PK PARAMETER	TEST TREATMENT A LS Mean	REFERENCE TREATMENT B LS Mean	RATIO (A/B)x100	90% C.I.
AUCT [ng.hr/mL]	2712.38	2606.81	104	
AUCI [ng.hr/mL]	2798.71	2704.32	103	
Cmax [ng/mL]	145.17	136.24	107	
Tmax [hr]	12.79	10.07	127	
K _e [1/hr]	0.1142	0.1087	105	
T1/2 [hr]	6.327	6.713	94.3	
LnAUCT	2477.40 *	2417.11*	102	96; 109
LnAUCI	2557.73*	2503.68*	102	96; 109
LnCMAX	133.31*	128.46*	104	94; 115

* For ln-transformed parameters, the antilog of the mean (i.e. the geometric mean) is reported.

Table 6. Mean Pharmacokinetic Parameters for Desmethyl diltiazem and Summary of Statistical Analysis of Log-transformed Data

PK PARAMETER	TEST TREATMENT A LS Mean	REFERENCE TREATMENT B LS Mean	RATIO (A/B)x100	90% C.I.
AUCT [ng.hr/mL]	891.75	880.38	101	
AUCI [ng.hr/mL]	967.90	960.45	101	
Cmax [ng/mL]	37.34	35.02	107	
Tmax [hr]	15.71	15.36	102	
K _e [1/hr]	0.0803	0.0794	101	
T1/2 [hr]	8.9073	9.0264	98.7	
LnAUCT	857.40*	852.84	101	97; 104
LnAUCI	931.52*	929.02*	100	97; 104
LnC _{MAX}	36.32*	34.26*	106	101; 111

* For ln-transformed parameters, the antilog of the mean (i.e. the geometric mean) is reported.

Table 7. Mean Pharmacokinetic Parameters for Desacetyl diltiazem and Summary of Statistical Analysis of Log-transformed Data

PK PARAMETER	TEST TREATMENT A LS Mean	REFERENCE TREATMENT B LS Mean	RATIO (A/B)x100	90% C.I.
AUCT [ng.hr/mL]	689.79	649.07	106	
AUCI [ng.hr/mL]	940.46	879.69	107	
Cmax [ng/mL]	26.05	24.82	105	
Tmax [hr]	20.57	21.57	95.4	
K _e [1/hr]	0.0705	0.0672	105	
T1/2 [hr]	10.8274	11.3595	95.3	

LnAUCT	454.68	441.04	103	98; 109
LnAUCI	571.84	569.42	100	95; 106
LnC _{MAX}	18.73	17.65	106	99; 113

For ln-transformed parameters, the antilog of the mean (i.e. the geometric mean) is reported.

Comments on the fasting study:

Both test and reference drugs produced two peak concentrations within six to twenty hours of their administrations. The larger peak (produced by both the test and reference products) was used in pharmacokinetic and statistical analysis. There were no nonzero predose concentrations for diltiazem or its metabolites, and there were no cases where the first nonzero concentration was the C_{MAX} for diltiazem or its metabolites. Analysis of variance (ANOVA) was done using the GLM procedure of SAS. The 90% confidence intervals for LnAUC_{0-T}, LnAUC_{0-inf} and LnC_{MAX} of the test product (both parent compound and metabolites) remained within the acceptable range of 80 - 125%.

IV. Dissolution Comparison:

The firm has conducted the dissolution testing on Diltiazem Capsules of different strengths. The dissolution testing data are presented in Table 8 below:

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Table 8. In Vitro Dissolution Testing

Drug (Generic Name): Diltiazem

ANDA #74-752 / SC 4

Firm: Andrx

Submission Date: September 11, 1998

I. Conditions for Dissolution Testing:

USP XXIII Basket: Paddle: X RPM: 75

No. Units Tested: 12

Medium#1: 0.1N HCl; Vol.: 900mL;

Medium#2: Buffer pH 7.5 (SIF) vol.: 900 mL

Reference Drug: Cardizem

Assay Methodology: _____

Specifications: 2 hr NMT _____ in 0.1N HCl
 2 hr _____ in SIF
 12 hr _____ in SIF
 18 hr NLT _____
 24 hr NLT _____

II. Results of In Vitro Dissolution Testing in 0.1N HCl:

Sampling Times (hr.)	Proposed Changed Formulation Lot #600R003B; 300 mg Capsules			Approved ANDA Formulation Lot #600H001; 300 mg Capsules.		
	Mean %	Range	%CV	Mean %	Range	%CV
2	2	_____	11.5	2	_____	11.5
12	20	_____	2.5	20	_____	2.5
18	66	_____	3.0	66	_____	3.0
24	84	_____	1.4	84	_____	1.4

III. Results of In Vitro Dissolution Testing in Buffer pH 7.5 (SIF):

Sampling Times (hr.)	Proposed Changed Formulation Lot #600R003B; 300 mg Capsules			Approved ANDA Formulation Lot #600H001; 300 mg Capsules		
	Mean %	Range	%CV	Mean %	Range	%CV
2	41	_____	3.0	41	_____	3.0
12	44	_____	1.7	44	_____	1.7
18	87	_____	1.3	87	_____	1.3
24	94	_____	1.6	94	_____	1.6

IV. Results of In Vitro Dissolution Testing in 0.1N HCl:						
Sampling Times (hr.)	Proposed Changed Formulation Lot #599R002; 240 mg Capsules			Approved ANDA Formulation Lot #599H001; 240 mg Capsules		
	Mean %	Range %	% CV	Mean %	Range %	% CV
2	3	—	13.6	3	—	11.3
12						
18						
24						
V. Results of In Vitro Dissolution Testing in Buffer pH 7.5 (SIF):						
Sampling Times (hr.)	Proposed Changed Formulation Lot #599R002; 240 mg Capsules			Approved ANDA Formulation Lot #599H001; 240 mg Capsules		
	Mean %	Range %	% CV	Mean %	Range %	% CV
2	38	—	5.6	38	—	2.1
12	42	—	2.9	43	—	2.0
18	83	—	2.3	85	—	2.1
24	92	—	2.0	94	—	1.5
VI. Results of In Vitro Dissolution Testing in 0.1N HCl:						
Sampling Times (hr.)	Proposed Changed Formulation Lot #598R002; 180 mg Capsules			Approved ANDA Formulation Lot #598H001; 180 mg Capsules		
	Mean %	Range %	% CV	Mean %	Range %	% CV
2	3	—	12.8	3	—	16.5
12						
18						
24						
VII. Results of In Vitro Dissolution Testing in Buffer pH 7.5 (SIF):						
Sampling Times (hr.)	Proposed Changed Formulation Lot #598R002; 180 mg Capsules			Approved ANDA Formulation Lot #598H001; 180 mg Capsules		
	Mean %	Range %	% CV	Mean %	Range %	% CV
2	41	—	2.2	40	—	1.8
12	44	—	1.9	43	—	3.0
18	85	—	2.4	85	—	2.2
24	97	—	1.5	92	—	2.3

VIII. Results of In Vitro Dissolution Testing in 0.1N HCl:						
Sampling Times (hr.)	Proposed Changed Formulation Lot #597R005; 120 mg Capsules			Approved ANDA Formulation Lot #597H001; 120 mg Capsules		
	Mean %	Range %	% CV	Mean %	Range %	% CV
2	4	—	19.6	3	—	13.9
12						
18						
24						
IX. Results of In Vitro Dissolution Testing in Buffer pH 7.5 (SIF):						
Sampling Times (hr.)	Proposed Changed Formulation Lot #597R005; 120 mg Capsules			Approved ANDA Formulation Lot #597H001; 120 mg Capsules		
	Mean %	Range %	% CV	Mean %	Range %	% CV
2	38	—	2.3	41	—	2.6
12	46	—	1.8	44	—	3.7
18	90	—	2.4	84	—	3.1
24	99	—	2.8	93	—	2.7

V. Compositions of Lower Strengths:

The compositions of 120 mg, 180 mg, 240 mg and 300 mg capsules are presented in Tables 9 and 10 (attached).

The compositions of the lower strengths are proportional to that of the highest strength and the capsules contain identical —

Comments:

1. The in vivo bioequivalence study under fasting conditions and the dissolution testing, including F2 calculations ($F2=87$, see Table 11, attached) on the proposed reformulated test product, 300 mg Diltiazem CD Capsules are acceptable.
2. The firm's rationale for Proposed Specification Change for — is justifiable.
3. The firm's rationale for Proposed Component and Composition Change for — is justifiable.

4. The in vitro dissolution testing including F2 calculations (F2 values are 90, 78, and 71 for 240, 180, & 120 mg capsules, respectively; see Table 12, 13 & 14, attached) conducted on 120 mg, 180 mg and 240 mg capsules (reformulated) are also acceptable. The formulation of the 120 mg, 180 mg and 240 mg capsules are proportionally similar to that of the 300 mg strength of the test product.
5. Therefore, the proposed changes in the formulation of the test product of all strengths are acceptable, and the supplement is approvable.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. The in vivo Bioequivalence study conducted under fasted conditions by Andrx Pharmaceuticals on its 300 mg Diltiazem CD reformulated capsules, Lot # 600R003B versus the listed reference product, Cardizem CD^R Capsules, 300 mg, manufactured by Marion Merrell Dow has been found acceptable by the Division of Bioequivalence. This study demonstrates that under fasting conditions, 300 mg reformulated diltiazem CD capsule of Andrx is bioequivalent to the reference product, Cardizem CD^R Capsule, 300 mg, manufactured by Marion Merrell Dow.
2. The comparative in vitro dissolution testing conducted by Andrx on the test product, 300 mg Diltiazem CD reformulated capsules, Lot # 600R003B and the reference product, Cardizem CD^R Capsules, 300 mg, manufactured by Marion Merrell Dow has been found acceptable. The in vitro dissolution testing conducted by Andrx on its reformulated Diltiazem CD Capsules, 120 mg, 180 mg and 240 mg are also acceptable. The formulation of the 120 mg, 180 mg and 240 mg capsules are proportionally similar to that of the 300 mg strength of the test product which underwent bioequivalency testing. Hence, the waivers of in vivo bioequivalence study requirements for 120 mg, 180 mg and 240 mg capsules of the test product are granted. The 120 mg, 180 mg and 240 mg capsules of the test product are therefore deemed bioequivalent to the Cardizem CD^R, 120 mg, 180 mg and 240 mg Capsules, respectively, manufactured by Marion Merrell Dow.
3. The dissolution testing should be incorporated into the firm's manufacturing controls and stability program. The dissolution testing should be conducted in 900 mL of 0.1N HCl for 2 hours at 37°C using

USP XXIII apparatus II (paddle) at 75 rpm. The testing should also be conducted simultaneously at 75 rpm in SIF for 24 hours. The test drug should meet the following specifications:

Time	0.1N HCl	Time	SIF
2 hr	NMT —	2 hr	——
		12 hr	——
		18 hr	NLT —
		24 hr	NLT —

4. Hence, the current supplement is acceptable.

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Sikta Pradhan, Ph. D.
Division of Bioequivalence
Review Branch I

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Concur: */S/*
Dale P. Conner, Pharm.D.
Director, Division of Bioequivalence

Date: *1/11/99*

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Supplemental Application on
Biostudy (fasting) on 300 mg capsules

Submission date: 09-11-98

~~Dissolution waiver on 240 mg cap.~~
~~Dissolution waiver on 180 mg cap.~~
~~Dissolution waiver on 120 mg cap.~~

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~~Amendment to Biostudy (fasting) on 300 mg cap.~~
Amendment to Dissolution waiver on 240 mg cap.
Dissolution waiver on 180 mg cap.
Dissolution waiver on 120 mg

Submission date: 12-22-98

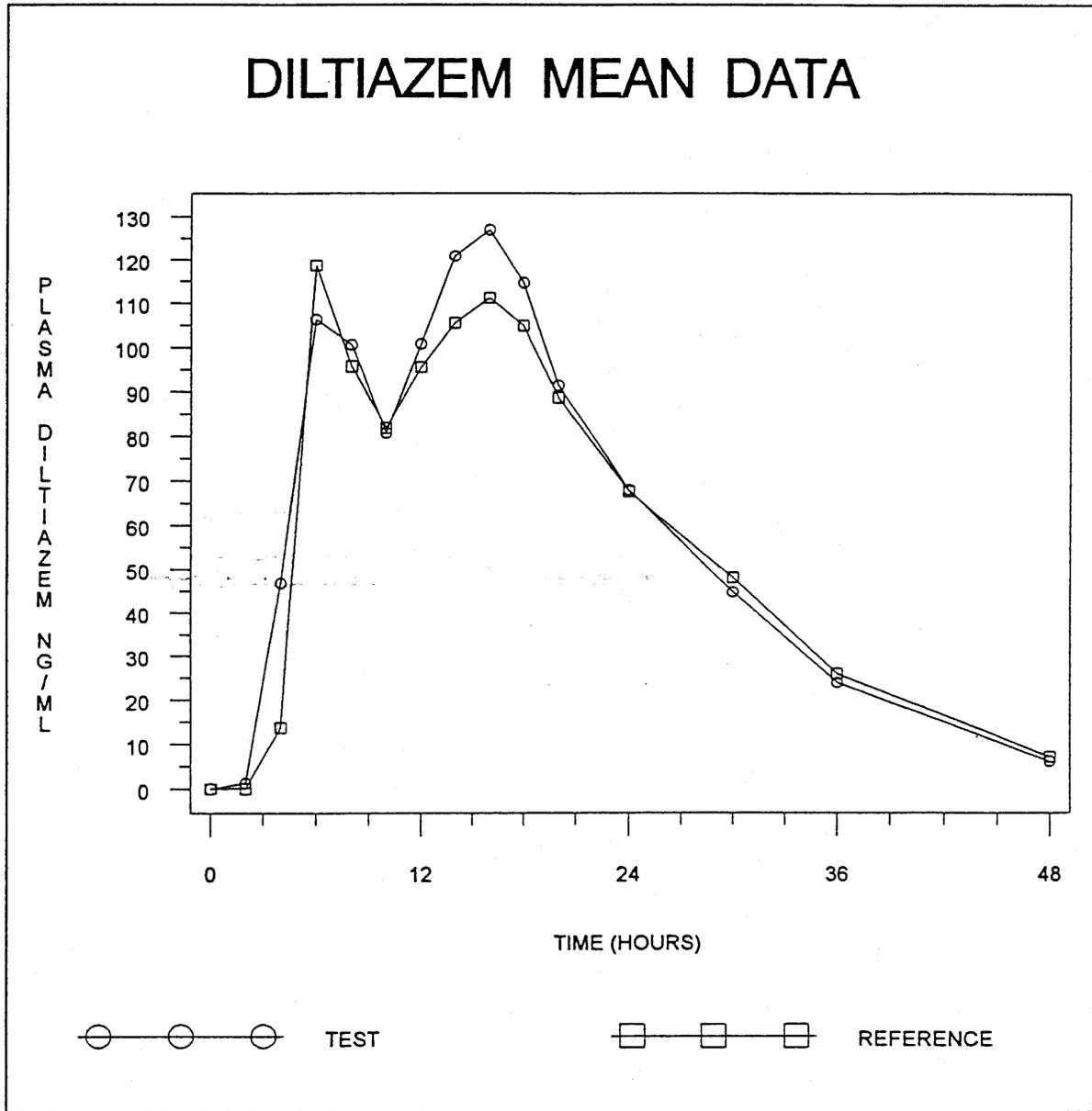
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Supplement Application.

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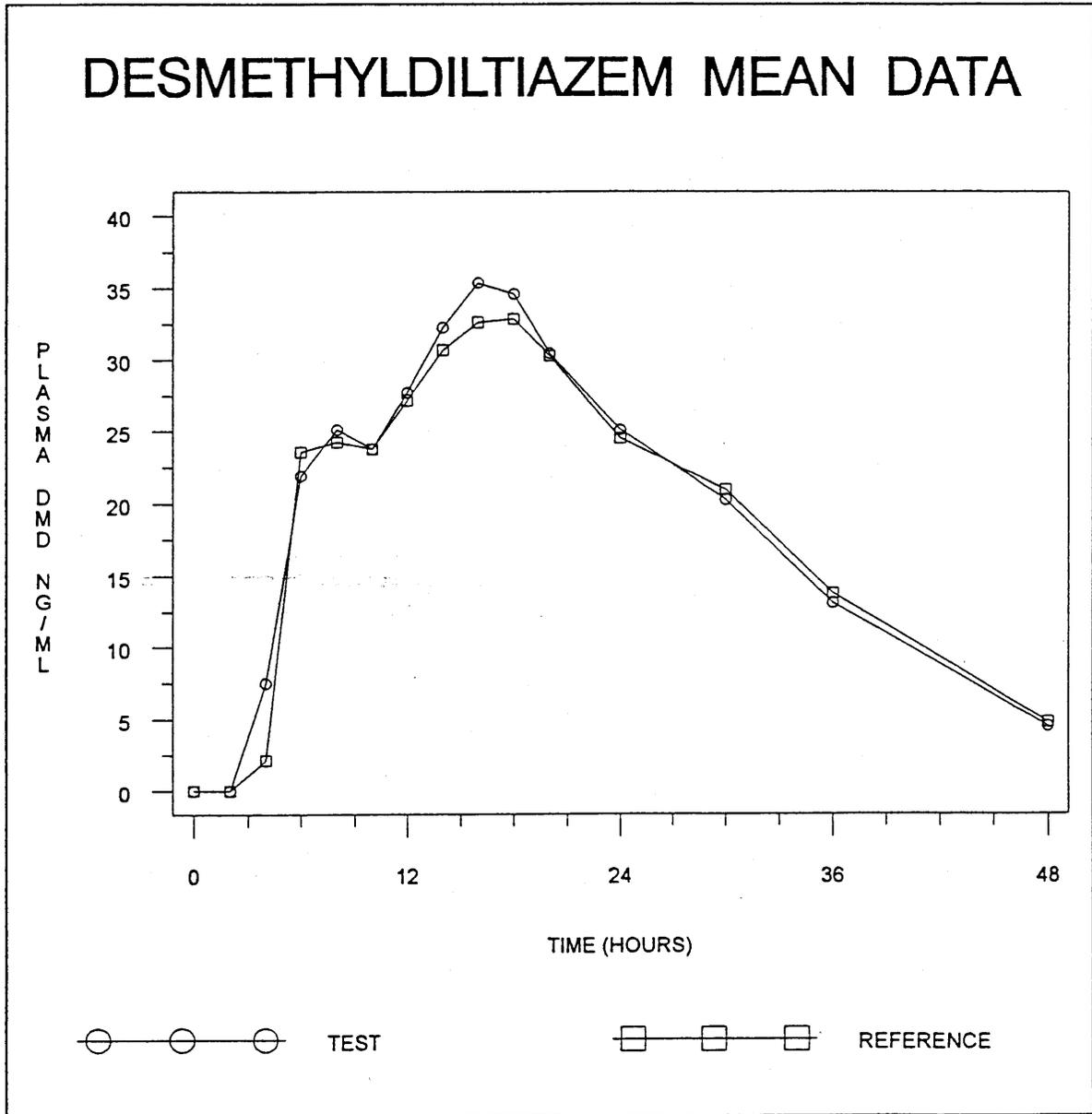
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Figure 1 Linear Plot of Mean Plasma Diltiazem Concentrations vs Time



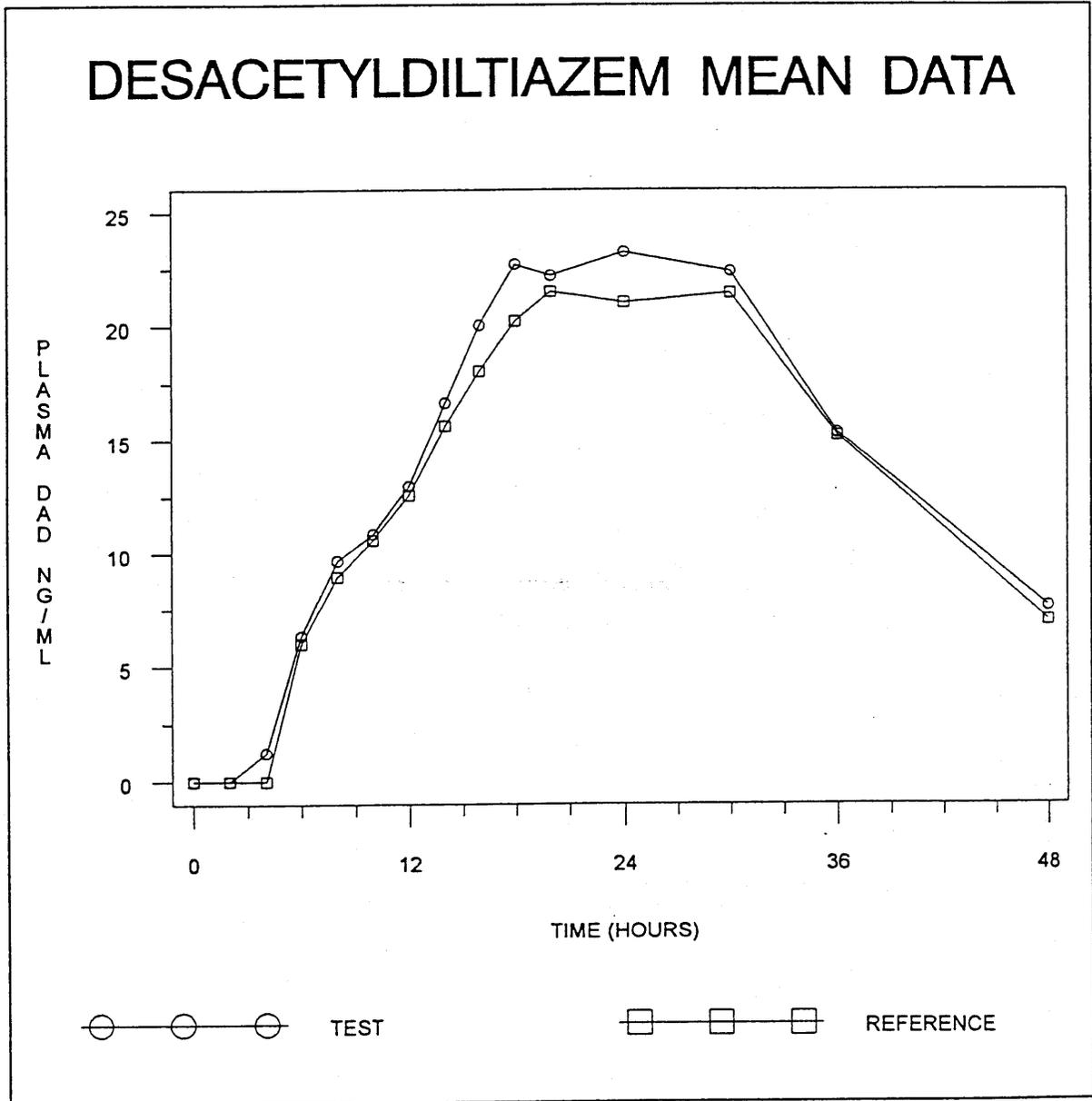
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Figure 2 Linear Plot of Mean Plasma Desmethyldiltiazem Concentrations vs Time



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Figure 3 Linear Plot of Mean Plasma Desacetyldiltiazem Concentrations vs Time



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Table 11

Spreadsheet of Calculation for the				Diltiazem HCl ER Capsules 300 mg				
Dissolution Data :				HYPOTHETICAL DATA				
Biobatch	600R003B	Percent Dissolved	Reformult TEST	Approved	REF.	600H001		
Unit #	2hr	12hr	18hr	24hr	2hr	12hr	18hr	24hr
1	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
2	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
3	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
4	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
5	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
6	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
7	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
8	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
9	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
10	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
11	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
12	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Average	39.08333	43.91667	85.83333	96.5	40.5	44	86.75	93.58333
Minimum	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Maximum	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
STDEV	1.240112	0.900337	1.527525	1.445998	1.243163	0.738549	1.13818	1.505042
%CV	3.172996	2.050102	1.779641	1.498443	3.069539	1.67852	1.312023	1.608237
F2 formula : 50*log{1+(1/n)(sum from t=1 to n of (Rt-Tt)**2)**-0.5*100}								
Sample n	1	2	3	4				
Rn-Tn	1.416667	0.083333	0.916667	-2.91667				
(Rn-Tn)**2	2.006944	0.006944	0.840278	8.506944				
SUMOD	11.36111							
1/n	0.2							
1/n*sumod	2.272222							
(1+above)	3.272222							
(a30)**-0.	0.552813							
a31*100	55.28135							
log(a32)	1.742579							
12=50(a33	87.12893							
pass/limit	50							
Conclusio	Passes							

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Table 12

Spreadsheet of Calculation for the				Diltiazem HCl ER Ca				240 mg			
Dissolution Data :				HYPOTHETICAL DATA							
Batch	599R002	Reformult	TEST	24hr	Approved	REF.	599H001	24hr			
Unit #	2hr	12hr	18hr	24hr	2hr	12hr	18hr	24hr			
1	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---			
2	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---			
3	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---			
4	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---			
5	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---			
6	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---			
7	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---			
8	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---			
9	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---			
10	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---			
11	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---			
12	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---			
Average	37.66667	42	83.25	91.91667	38.16667	42.5	84.91667	94.08333			
Minimum	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---			
Maximum	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---			
STDEV	2.059715	1.193416	2.005674	1.831955	0.717741	0.904534	1.831955	1.505042			
%CV	5.468269	2.841467	2.409218	1.993061	1.880543	2.128315	2.157357	1.59969			
F2 formula : 50*log{(1+(1/n))(sum from t=1 to n of (Rt-Tt)**2)**0.5*(10)}											
Sample n	1	2	3	4							
Rn-Tn	0.5	0.5	1.666667	2.166667							
(Rn-Tn)**2	0.25	0.25	2.777778	4.694444							
SUMOD	7.972222										
1/n	0.2										
1/n*sumod	1.594444										
(1+above)	2.594444										
(a30)**0.	0.620837										
a31*100	62.08373										
log(a32)	1.792978										
t=50(a33	89.64889										
passlimit	50										
Conclusio	Passes										

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Table 13

Spreadsheet of Calculation for the				Diltiazem HCl ER Ca 180 mg				HYPOTHETICAL DATA					
Dissolution Data :		Percent Dissolved		TEST		598R002		Approved		REF.		598F001	
Biobatch	Unit #	2hr	12hr	18hr	24hr	2hr	12hr	18hr	24hr	2hr	12hr	18hr	24hr
	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	12	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Average		40.58333	44	84.66667	97.33333	40.5	43.16667	85.41667	91.75				
Minimum		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—				
Maximum		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—				
STDEV		1.083625	0.852803	2.015095	1.61433	0.797724	1.466804	2.020726	2.22077				
%CV		2.670122	1.938188	2.380033	1.658558	1.969689	3.398002	2.365728	2.420457				
F2 formula : 50*log[(1+(1/n))(sum from t=1 to n of (Rt-Tt)**2)**-0.5*100]													
Sample n	1	2	3	4									
Rn-Tn	-0.08333	-0.83333	0.75	-5.58333									
(Rn-Tn)**2	0.006944	0.694444	0.5625	31.17361									
SUMOD	32.4375												
1/n	0.2												
1/n*sumod	6.4875												
(1+above)	7.4875												
(a30)**-0.	0.365453												
a31*100	36.5453												
log(a32)	1.562832												
f2=50(a33	78.14158												
passlimit	50												
Conclusio	Passes												

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Table 14

Spreadsheet of Calculation for the _____				Diltiazem HCl ER Ca				120 mg			
Dissolution Data :				HYPOTHETICAL DATA							
Biobatch	Percent Dissolved	Reformult	TEST	597R005				Approved	REF.	597H001	
Unit #	2hr	12hr	18hr	24hr				2hr	12hr	18hr	24hr
1	---	---	---	---				---	---	---	---
2	---	---	---	---				---	---	---	---
3	---	---	---	---				---	---	---	---
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10	---	---	---	---				---	---	---	---
11	---	---	---	---				---	---	---	---
12	---	---	---	---				---	---	---	---
Average	39.41667	46	89.41667	98.66667				41.33333	44	83.75	93.25
Minimum	---	---	---	---				---	---	---	---
Maximum	---	---	---	---				---	---	---	---
STDEV	0.996205	1.044466	2.234373	2.674232				0.984732	1.658312	2.527126	2.632835
%CV	2.52737	2.270578	2.498833	2.71037				2.382416	3.768892	3.017463	2.823415
F2 formula : $50 \cdot \log\left[1 + \frac{1}{n} \left(\sum_{t=1}^n (R_t - T_t)^2\right)^{0.5} \cdot 100\right]$											
Sample n	1	2	3	4				1	2	3	4
Rn-Tn	1.916667	-2	-5.66667	-5.41667							
(Rn-Tn)**2	3.673611	4	32.11111	29.34028							
SUMOD	69.125										
1/n	0.2										
1/n * sumod	13.825										
(1+above)	14.825										
(a30)**0	0.259718										
a31*100	25.97184										
log(a32)	1.414503										
f2=50(a33)	70.72513										
passlimit	50										
Conclusio	Passes										

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**CENTER FOR DRUG EVALUATION
AND RESEARCH**

APPLICATION NUMBER:

74-752/S-001 to S-018

ADMINISTRATIVE DOCUMENTS

ESTABLISHMENT EVALUATION REQUEST
SUMMARY REPORT

Application: **ANDA 74752/016**
Stamp: **05-JUN-2002** Regulatory Due:
Applicant: **ANDRX PHARMS**
4001 SOUTH WEST 47TH AVE
FORT LAUDERDALE, FL 33314

Priority:
Action Goal:
Brand Name:
Established Name: **DILTIAZEM HYDROCHLORIDE**
Generic Name:
Dosage Form: **EXC (EXTENDED RELEASE CAPSUL)**
Strength: **120, 180, 240, 300 MG**

Org Code: **600**
District Goal: **05-NOV-2002**

FDA Contacts: **S. SHEPPERSON (HFD-617)**
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U. VENKATARAM (HFD-647)

301-827-5849 , Project Manager
301-827-5849 , Review Chemist
301-827-5849 , Team Leader

Overall Recommendation:

ACCEPTABLE on 10-JUN-2002 by J. D AMBROGIO (HFD-324) 301-827-0062

Establishment: _____

DMF No:
AADA No:

Profile: **CTR** OAI Status: **NONE**
Last Milestone: **OC RECOMMENDATION**
Milestone Date: **10-JUN-2002**
Decision: **ACCEPTABLE**
Reason: **BASED ON PROFILE**

Responsibilities: _____

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REVIEW OF PROFESSIONAL LABELING # 1

SUPPLEMENT

FPL - Container Labels and Insert Labeling

DATE OF REVIEW: April 30, 1999

ANDA #: 74-752/S-007

NAME OF FIRM: Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

NAME OF DRUG: Diltiazem Extended-release Capsules USP, 120 mg,
180 mg, 240 mg, 300 mg

DATE OF SUBMISSION: April 23, 1999

COMMENTS:

Regarding the Labeling Revision:
Container: 90s and 1000s

- to letter*
1. Relocate "Rx only" to the main panel.
 2. Revise the storage temperature recommendations as follows:
Store at controlled room temperature, 15°-30°C (59°-86°F)
(see USP).

These revisions may be done in an annual report provided that the changes are described in full.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Inform the firm of the above comments if there are to be chemistry comments.
2. Request the firm revise their container labels, then prepare and submit final print.

FOR THE RECORD:

1. Review based on the labeling of Cardizem CD, revised 7/95; approved 4/2/96.
2. This combined chemistry/labeling submission is for the addition of two new container sizes, 90s and 1000s.

REVIEW OF PROFESSIONAL LABELING # 1

SUPPLEMENT

FPL - Insert Labeling

DATE OF REVIEW: April 21, 1999

ANDA #: 74-752/S-006

NAME OF FIRM: Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

NAME OF DRUG: Diltiazem Hydrochloride Extended-release Capsules,
120 mg, 180 mg, 240 mg and 300 mg

DATE OF SUBMISSION: April 14, 1999

COMMENTS:

From a labeling standpoint the insert labeling has been satisfactorily revised to reflect the addition of magnesium stearate to the listing of inactive ingredients in the DESCRIPTION section.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Inform the firm of the above comments.

NOTE TO CHEMIST:

Firm still labeled that USP release test is pending. See DESCRIPTION section.

FOR THE RECORD:

1. Review based on the labeling of Cardizem CD, revised 7/95; approved 4/2/96.

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Telephone Conversation Memorandum

ANDA: 74-752/S-009

DRUG: Diltiazem Hydrochloride Extended-release Capsules USP,
120 mg, 180 mg, 240 mg, and 300 mg

FIRM: Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

PERSONS INVOLVED: Jackie Davis, Andrx
Tim Ames, FDA

SUPPL AMENDMENT
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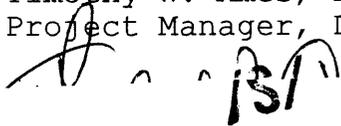
PHONE NUMBER: 954-581-7500

DATE: April 26, 2000

Background:

Firm called to request evaluation of this supplement for approval since no deficiencies pertained to this drug substance manufacturer. After checking the CMC review, it was apparent that in fact this supplement could be approved. I informed the firm that I would request an approval be issued.

Timothy W. Ames, R.Ph., M.P.H.
Project Manager, Div Chem II, Team 8, OGD


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Request for approval of S-009: ANDA 74-752/Diltiazem Hydrochloride ER Capsules/Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

Date of letter: April 3, 2000

The firm requested that S-009 _____, be approved. This request was based on the fact that our February 15, 2000 deficiency letter contained no deficiencies pertaining to S-009.

The request is granted.

Bitu Mirzai-Azarm
Review Chemist

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
 FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION
 APPLICATION TO MARKET A NEW DRUG, BIOLOGIC, OR AN
 ANTIBIOTIC DRUG FOR HUMAN USE
 (Title 21, Code of Federal Regulations, 314 & 601)

Form Approved: OMB No. 0910-0338
 Expiration Date: April 30, 2000
 See OMB Statement on page 2.

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APPLICATION NUMBER

APPLICANT INFORMATION

NAME OF APPLICANT
Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

DATE OF SUBMISSION
April 3, 2000

TELEPHONE NO. (Include Area Code)
(954) 581-7500

FACSIMILE (FAX) Number (Include Area Code)
(954) 587-1054

APPLICANT ADDRESS (Number, Street, City, State, Country, ZIP Code or Mail Code, and U.S. License number if previously issued):
**4001 SW 47th Avenue
 Fort Lauderdale, FL 33314**

AUTHORIZED U.S. AGENT NAME & ADDRESS (Number, Street, City, State, ZIP Code, telephone & FAX number) IF APPLICABLE

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

NEW DRUG OR ANTIBIOTIC APPLICATION NUMBER, OR BIOLOGICS LICENSE APPLICATION NUMBER (If previously issued) **74-752**

ESTABLISHED NAME (e.g., Proper name, USP/USAN name)
**Diltiazem Hydrochloride Extended-Release Capsules,
 USP**

PROPRIETARY NAME (trade name) IF ANY
Cartia XT

CHEMICAL/BIOCHEMICAL/BLOOD PRODUCT NAME (If any)
**1,5 benzothiazepin-4(5H)one, 3-(acetyloxy)-5-[2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-
 monohydrochloride, (+)-cis-**

CODE NAME (If any)

DOSAGE FORM:
Capsule

STRENGTHS:
120 mg, 180 mg, 240 mg, & 300 mg

ROUTE OF ADMINISTRATION:
Oral

(PROPOSED) INDICATION(S) FOR USE:

- (1) For the treatment of hypertension**
- (2) For the management of chronic stable angina due to coronary artery spasm**

APPLICATION INFORMATION

APPLICATION TYPE

- (check one) NEW DRUG APPLICATION (21 CFR 314.50) ABBREVIATED APPLICATION (ANDA, AADA, 21 CFR 314.94)
 BIOLOGICS LICENSE APPLICATION (21 CFR part 601)

IF AN NDA, IDENTIFY THE APPROPRIATE TYPE 505 (b) (1) 505 (b) (2) 507

IF AN ANDA, OR AADA, IDENTIFY THE REFERENCE LISTED DRUG PRODUCT THAT IS THE BASIS FOR THE SUBMISSION

Name of Drug **Cardizem CD** Holder of Approved Application **Carderm**

TYPE OF SUBMISSION

- (check one) ORIGINAL APPLICATION AMENDMENT TO A PENDING APPLICATION RESUBMISSION
 PRESUBMISSION ANNUAL REPORT ESTABLISHMENT DESCRIPTION SUPPLEMENT SUPAC SUPPLEMENT
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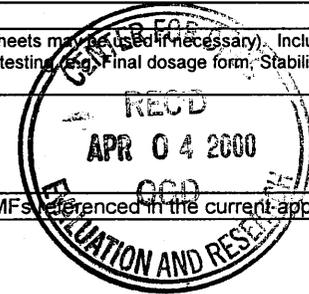
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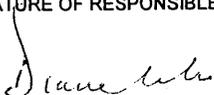
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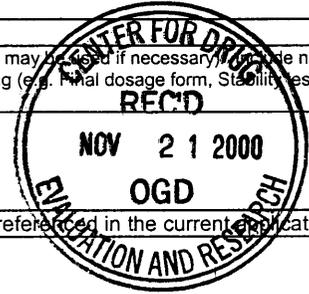
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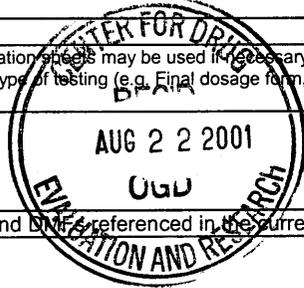
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74-752/S-001 to S-018

CORRESPONDENCE



ANDA # 74-752
Cartia XT™ Capsules 120mg, 180mg, 240mg, and 300mg

June 30, 2003

Gary Buehler
Director, Office of Generic Drugs, HFD-600
CDER, Food and Drug Administration
Metro Park North II
7500 Standish Place, Room 150
Rockville, MD 20855-2773

NDA NO. 74-752 REF NO. SOS-018
NDA SUPPL FOR Cartia XT Rev.

Re: Prior Approval Supplement

Dear Mr. Buehler:

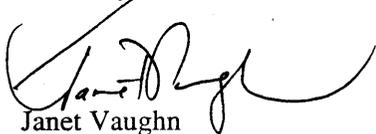
Please refer to Andrx Pharmaceuticals abbreviated new drug application for the above referenced product. Pursuant to 21 CFR 314.70(b), Andrx herewith submits a Prior Approval Supplement to provide for a

In support of the proposed change, we have evaluated lots of the drug product manufactured between January 2001 and February 2003. A report describing the results of this evaluation is enclosed. As the report indicates, trend analysis of various Quality Control tests performed during this period has shown that under normal circumstances, these tests will consistently meet the required specifications. In addition, some tests are performed by production and hence redundantly performed by the _____ . Based on the results of our evaluation, we are requesting a _____ of the following tests: _____

A form 356H immediately follows this cover letter. Andrx Pharmaceuticals certifies that a true copy of this supplement has been sent to the Florida District Office as a Field Copy.

Should you have any questions concerning this submission or if additional information is required, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at (954) 358-6125 (Tel.) or (954) 358-6350 (Fax).

Sincerely,


Janet Vaughn
Assoc. Director, Regulatory Affairs

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ANDA # 74-752
 Cartia XT™ Capsules 120mg, 180mg, 240mg, and 300mg

June 24, 2002

Gary Buehler
 Director, Office of Generic Drugs, HFD-600
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NDA NO. 74752 REF NO. SD-017AT
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Re: Supplement - Changes Being Effected in 30 Days

Dear Mr. Buehler:

Please refer to Andrx Pharmaceuticals' abbreviated new drug application for Cartia XT™ Capsules, ANDA 74-752. Pursuant to 21 CFR § 314.70, Andrx herewith submits a Changes Being Effected in 30 Days Supplement providing for the addition of _____ . This change has no potential to adversely affect the identity, strength, quality, purity, or potency of the drug product as it may relate to its safety or effectiveness. Andrx anticipates making this change effective on **July 24, 2002**.

Packaging of each strength of the drug product is currently performed at Andrx's Fort Lauderdale facility. We are r _____

_____ has a current and satisfactory cGMP compliance profile with the FDA for the type of _____ being proposed. In this regard, they have provided the following documents:

1. Written certification stating that _____ is in compliance with current Good Manufacturing Practices (GMP)
2. Debarment Certification
3. Last FDA Establishment Inspection Report (EIR) – Summary of Findings

_____ of the drug product will be conducted using equipment of the same design and operating principle as those approved in the original application. The _____ records will include the same components (container(s)/closure(s)) as those currently being used for the drug product, except for administrative information and the location of the facility.

This supplement also includes a written stability commitment which states that Andrx Pharmaceuticals commits to placing the first production batch of each strength of the drug product in the smallest and largest container/closure system, and annual batches thereafter, on long-term stability studies using the approved

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protocol in the application and to submitting the resulting data in annual reports.

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Sincerely,



Diane Servello
Senior Director Regulatory Affairs

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ANDA # 74-752
Cartia XT™ Capsules 120mg, 180mg, 240mg, and 300mg

June 4, 2002

Gary Buehler
Director, Office of Generic Drugs, HFD-600
CDER, Food and Drug Administration
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Rockville, MD 20855-2773

NDA NO. 74 752 REF. NO. SCD 016/AT
NDA SUPPL. FOR _____

Re: Supplement - Changes Being Effected in 30 Days
Alternate Packaging Site

Dear Mr. Buehler:

Please refer to Andrx Pharmaceuticals' abbreviated new drug application for Cartia XT™ Capsules, ANDA 74-752. Pursuant to 21 CFR § 314.70, Andrx herewith submits a Changes Being Effected in 30 Days Supplement providing for the addition of _____ This change has no potential to adversely affect the identity, strength, quality, purity, or potency of the drug product as it may relate to its safety or effectiveness. Andrx anticipates making this change effective on July 5, 2002.

Packaging of each strength of the drug product is currently performed at Andrx's Fort Lauderdale facility. We are _____

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Sincerely,



Diane Servello
Senior Director Regulatory Affairs

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ANDA 74-752/S-015

OCT 11 2001

Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
Attention: Diane Servello
4955 Orange Drive
Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33314

Dear Madam:

This refers to your supplemental new drug application dated August 21, 2001, submitted pursuant to 21 CFR 314.70, for Diltiazem Extended-release Capsules USP, 120 mg, 180 mg, 240 mg and 300 mg.

You requested review as a "Supplement - Changes Being Effected in 30 Days." The supplemental application provides for a revision of the in-process dissolution specifications.

Reference is also made to the September 10, 2001, telephone message from Bonnie McNeal of this Administration informing you that the proposed change should not be initiated. The change is **not**, in our opinion, the kind permitted by regulation to be put in effect in advance of approval of a supplement.

This letter notifies you that an approved supplement is required for the proposed change and that the supplement is under review. Please do not implement the proposed change.

Sincerely yours,

 
Florence S. Fang
Director
Division of Chemistry II
Office of Generic Drugs
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research

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does not qualify per VIII.B.1 of guidance

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August 21, 2001

Gary Buehler
Director, Office of Generic Drugs, HFD-600
CDER, Food and Drug Administration
Metro Park North II
7500 Standish Place, Room 150
Rockville, MD 20855-2773

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RE: **ANDA 74-752; Cartia XT (Diltiazem HCl Extended-release Capsules USP)**
Supplement – Changes Being Effected in 30 Days

Dear Mr. Buehler:

Please refer to Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc's. ("Andrx") abbreviated new drug application for the above referenced product. Pursuant to 21 CFR 314.70(c) and in accordance with Section 506A of the Act, Andrx herewith submits a Changes Being Effected in 30 Days Supplement to provide for a revision of the in-process dissolution specifications for Diltiazem HCl: _____, one of the process intermediates for the drug product. For the reasons stated in this supplement, Andrx considers this change to have a minimal potential to have an adverse effect on the identity, strength, quality, purity, or potency of the product as they may relate to the safety or effectiveness of the product. Andrx anticipates making this change effective on September 28, 2001.

Andrx's Diltiazem Hydrochloride ER Capsules contain two types of Diltiazem HCl ER _____
in a potency ratio of _____ have a _____

During the early development of this product, Andrx established in-process dissolution specifications for both the _____ to assure that the finished capsules meet the finished product dissolution specifications. The current dissolution specifications for the _____ and the finished capsules are presented in Table 1 below along with the proposed changes to the current _____ dissolution specifications:

Table 1

Dissolution Specifications for _____		and the Finished Product		
0.05M Phosphate Buffer, pH 7.5	Proposed _____	Current _____	_____	Capsules
_____	NLT _____	NLT _____	_____	_____
2 hours	NLT _____	NLT _____	_____	_____
6 hours	_____	_____	NMT _____	_____
12 hours	_____	_____	NMT _____	_____
18 hours	_____	_____	_____	NLT _____
21 hours	_____	_____	NLT _____	_____
24 hours	_____	_____	_____	NLT _____
0.1 N HCl				
2 hours	NMT _____	NMT _____	_____	NMT _____
18 hours	_____	_____	NLT _____	_____

* Regulatory specification. For patent purposes an internal specification of NLT _____ is used.

As shown in Table 1, the current dissolution specifications for [redacted] in phosphate buffer are NLT [redacted], released at both [redacted] and 2 hours. The specification for the [redacted] time interval was established at the time of the ANDA submission with limited manufacturing history with this product. The specification for the two hour time interval was added through a "Changes Being Effected" supplement dated July 19, 2000 (S-012), to provide a time interval corresponding to the finished product dissolution testing, thus providing a more meaningful quality control test.

The dissolution specifications for [redacted], are used for in-process control purposes, and have a minimal affect on the finished product dissolution. The first dissolution test interval for the finished product is 2 hours in phosphate buffer, which requires that [redacted] of the capsule's label claim be released. Based on this finished product specification, [redacted] which represent [redacted] of the capsule's label claim, having a dissolution rate as low as [redacted] at two hours time interval could still meet the finished product specification.

We acknowledge that a change of the magnitude of [redacted], from the current specification of NLT [redacted] to NLT [redacted], is unrealistic; therefore, a more modest change has been proposed. A [redacted] specification of NLT [redacted] is being proposed for the [redacted] while keeping the 2-hour specification of NLT [redacted]. As can be seen from Table 1, the revised [redacted] dissolution specifications should not affect the dissolution profile of the finished product. The revised [redacted] specification is presented in Exhibit 1.

To demonstrate that this specification change does not affect the performance of the finished product, two research lots of finished product (one lot each of the highest and lowest dosage strengths) were manufactured using [redacted] with one hour dissolution values below the current specification of NLT [redacted], lots 021B177 (average [redacted] dissolution = [redacted]) and 021B170 (average [redacted] dissolution = [redacted]), were used to manufacture Diltiazem HCl ER Capsules 120 mg and 300 mg, lots 597R011 and 600R015, respectively. Both finished capsule lots met all product performance criteria. The dissolution results for the two lots of finished product are presented in Table 2 below and are compared to the average results for all finished product lots manufactured this year with [redacted] that complied with the current specifications.

Table 2

Dissolution Results for Diltiazem ER Capsules Using [redacted], Outside Current Dissolution Specifications				
Specification	Average of 120 mg lots for 2001	120 mg Lot 597R011	Average of 300 mg lots for 2001	300 mg Lot 600R015
2 hour PO4 [redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]
12 hour PO4 [redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]
[redacted] hour PO4 NLT [redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]
24 hour PO4 NLT [redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]
2 hour HCl NMT [redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]

This comparison demonstrates that [redacted], meeting the revised dissolution specifications have no impact on the dissolution results of the finished capsule lots. Therefore, this change would have a minimal potential to have an adverse effect on the identity, strength, quality, purity or potency of the drug product as it relates to the safety and effectiveness of the product.

Executed batch records for the two finished capsule lots and the _____ lots are provided in Exhibit 2. Certificates of Analysis for both finished capsule lots and the in-process test results for the _____ used in these lots are provided in Exhibit 3.

The two exhibit lots of finished product (lots 597R011 and 600R015) have been packaged in the largest and smallest market packages and placed on accelerated and room temperature stability. Andrx Pharmaceuticals makes a commitment to monitor these lots and report the results in upcoming annual reports. A signed stability commitment is provided in Exhibit 4.

A form 356H immediately follows this cover letter. Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc. certifies that a true copy of this supplement has been sent to the Florida District Office as a Field Copy.

Should you have any questions concerning this submission or if additional information is required, please do not hesitate to contact Sam Swetland at (954) 581-1634 (Tel.) or (954) 585-1848 (Fax).

Sincerely,



Diane Servello
Director Regulatory Affairs

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July 28, 2000

Gary Buehler, Acting Director
Office of Generic Drugs
CDER, FDA
Metro Park North II
7500 Standish Place, Room 150
Rockville, MD 20855

NDA NO. 74752 REF. NO. SCR-013

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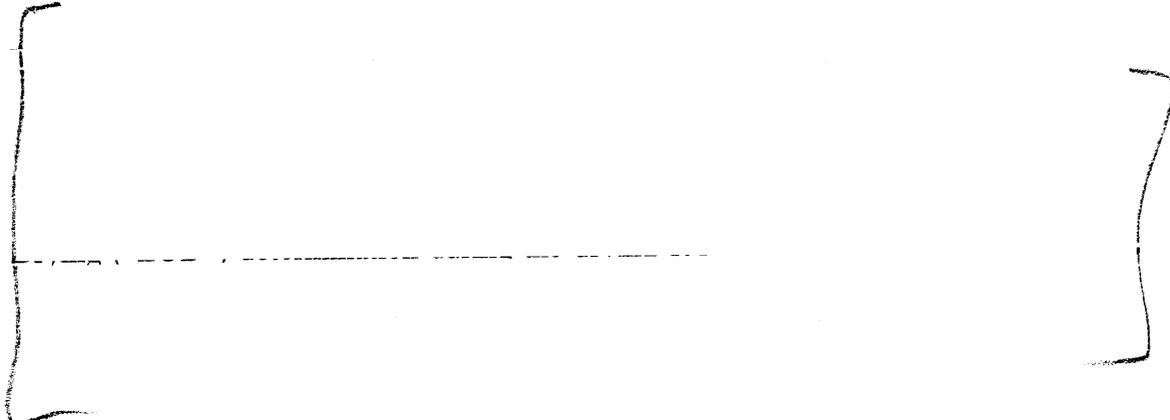
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120 mg, 180 mg, 240 mg, and 300 mg

SPECIAL SUPPLEMENT – CHANGES BEING EFFECTED – 30 DAYS

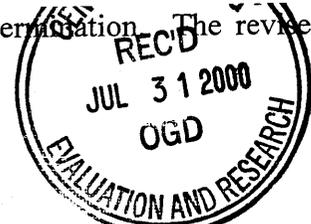
Dear Mr. Buehler:

Pursuant to 21 CFR 314.70(c), Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (“Andrx”) is herewith submitting a **Special Supplement –Changes Being Effected, - 30 days** providing for an improvement to the _____ process for “Diltiazem HCl Extended-release _____”. Andrx plans to implement this change on August 28, 2000.

As described in our ANDA, Andrx’s manufacturing process for “Diltiazem HCl Extended-release _____” Product Code 021 consists of _____ “Diltiazem HCl _____” with a _____



on page 8 of 19 for the proposed in-process LOD determination. The revised



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enclosed. To summarize the report:

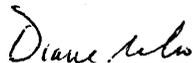
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4. Comparative dissolution profiles on twelve individual capsules will be conducted on each strength of the product (120 mg, 180 mg, 240 mg and 300 mg), comparing batches made with the currently approved Master Batch Record with batches made with the revision to the _____ process described in this supplement. The similarity factor (f_2) described in the SUPAC guidances will be calculated for the dissolution profiles. This information will be included in our next annual report.

Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc. certifies that a true copy of this supplement was sent to the Florida District Office as a Field Copy.

Should you have any questions concerning this submission, please contact the undersigned at (954) 327-4412 (telephone) or (954) 587-1054 (fax).

Sincerely,



Diane Servello
Director of Regulatory Affairs



July 19, 2000

Gary Buehler, Acting Director
Office of Generic Drugs
CDER, FDA
Metro Park North II
7500 Standish Place, Room 150
Rockville, MD 20855

ANDA NO. _____ REF. NO. 508 012
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RE: ANDA 74-752; Diltiazem HCl Extended-Release Capsules,
120 mg, 180 mg, 240 mg, and 300 mg

SPECIAL SUPPLEMENT – CHANGES BEING EFFECTED – 30 DAYS

Dear Mr. Buehler:

Pursuant to 21 CFR 314.70(c), Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (“Andrx”) is herewith submitting a **Special Supplement – Changes Being Effected**, providing for an additional in-process dissolution test for “Diltiazem HCl Extended-release _____”. Andrx plans to implement this change on August 18, 2000.

As described in our ANDA, Andrx’s formulation for this product contains a fixed-ratio of _____ “Diltiazem HCl Extended-release _____”. The following table describes the in-process and finished product dissolution testing that is currently approved for this product:

Dissolution Test	In-process dissolution testing for _____	In-process dissolution testing for _____	Finished product dissolution testing
0.1N HCl; paddles @ 75 rpm	_____	_____	2 hours
0.05M phosphate buffer; pH 7.5, paddles @ 75 rpm	_____	_____	2, 12, 18 and 24 hours
0.1N HCl; paddles @ 100 rpm	_____	_____	_____



ANDA 74-752
Special Supplement – Changes Being Effected
July 19, 2000

reflective of the intended finished product dissolution characteristics, and therefore a more appropriate quality control test.

Please note that the same specification of "Not less than _____" will be applied to both the _____ and 2-hour in-process dissolution tests in 0.05M phosphate buffer for the _____. Andrx would prefer to replace the _____ time interval with the new 2-hour interval, however this represents the deletion of a specification. A supplement for the deletion of the _____ test will be submitted at a later date. In the meantime, we will continue to test the _____ at the _____ time interval, in addition to the new 2-hour time interval.

In support of this change, we have enclosed the following:

Exhibit 1: Revised specifications for "Diltiazem HCl Extended-release _____"
(Code #021) and "Diltiazem HCl Extended-release _____"
(Code 024).

Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc. certifies that a true copy of this supplement was sent to the Florida District Office as a Field Copy.

Should you have any questions concerning this submission, please contact the undersigned at (954) 327-4412 (telephone) or (954) 587-1054 (fax).

Sincerely,



Diane Servello
Director of Regulatory Affairs

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June 16, 2000

SUPPL AMENDMENT

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Mr. Gary Buehler, Acting Director
Office of Generic Drugs, CDER, FDA
Metro Park North II
7500 Standish Place
Rockville, MD 20855-2773

**RE: ANDA 74-752; Diltiazem Hydrochloride Extended-release Capsules
Minor Amendment to Supplemental Application (S-008)**

Dear Mr. Buehler:

Reference is made to our supplemental application dated June 24, 1999, providing for the use of _____
Reference is also made to your "not approvable" letter dated April 14, 2000 (copy attached).

Pursuant to 21 CFR §314.120, Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc. ("Andrx") is herewith submitting a minor amendment to our supplemental application, by providing a complete response to the deficiency listed in your April 14, 2000 letter as follows:

Chemistry Deficiencies

The referenced DMF _____ remains deficient and the DMF holder is being notified. Please do not amend these supplements until the DMF deficiencies have been addressed.

Response

_____ has informed Andrx that a response to the FDA's April 21, 2000 deficiency letter for DMF _____ was submitted to the agency on June 14, 2000 (Exhibit 1).

Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc. certifies that a Field Copy of this amendment was forwarded to the FDA's Florida District Office. The Field Copy contained a true copy of the information contained in this amendment.

Please contact the undersigned at (954) 327-4412 (phone) or (954) 587-1054 (facsimile) if you require any additional information.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature: Diane Servello

Diane Servello
Director of Regulatory Affairs



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review, nor will the review clock be reactivated until all deficiencies have been addressed. The responses to this letter will be considered as MINOR amendments and should be so designated in your cover letter. If you have substantial disagreement with our reasons for not approving these supplemental applications, you may request an opportunity for a hearing.

Sincerely yours,


Florence S. Fang
Director
Division of Chemistry II
Office of Generic Drugs
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research

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AM noted to CMC Review
for review. /S/ 7/2000

NDA SUPPL AMENDMENT

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April 3, 2000

Mr. Gary Buehler, Acting Director
Office of Generic Drugs, CDER, FDA
Metro Park North II
7500 Standish Place
Rockville, MD 20855-2773

**RE: ANDA 74-752; Diltiazem Hydrochloride Extended-release Capsules
Minor Amendment to Supplemental Application (S-008/S-009)**

Dear Mr. Buehler:

Reference is made to our supplemental application dated June 24, 1999, providing for the _____ for the above mentioned drug product. Reference is also made to the FDA's not approvable letter dated February 15, 2000 (see attached).

Pursuant to 21 CFR §314.120, Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc. ("Andrx") is herewith submitting a minor amendment to our supplemental application, by providing complete responses to each of the deficiencies listed in the February 15, 2000 letter as follows:

Chemistry Deficiencies

1. The referenced DMF _____ remains deficient and the DMF holder is being notified. Please do not amend these supplements until the DMF deficiencies have been responded to.

Response

_____ has informed Andrx that a response to the FDA's February 24, 2000 deficiency letter for DMF # _____ was submitted to the agency on March 28, 2000 (Attachment 1).

Andrx is requesting that _____, be approved upon receipt of this minor amendment. This request is based on the fact that your February 15, 2000 letter contained no deficiencies pertaining to _____ and therefore is eligible for approval immediately.

Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc. certifies that a Field Copy of this amendment was forwarded to the FDA's Florida District Office. The Field Copy contained a true copy of the information contained in this amendment.

Please contact Janet Vaughn, Regulatory Affairs Manager, at (954) 327-3265 (phone) or (954) 587-1054 (facsimile) if you require any additional information.

Sincerely,

Diane Servello
Director of Regulatory Affairs



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ANDA 74-752
Diltiazem HCl Extended-release Capsules USP (CD)
120 mg, 180 mg, 240 mg and 300 mg

February 28, 2000

ANDA NO. _____ REF. NO. SCS011
NDA SUPPL FOR Control Rev

Douglas L. Sporn
Director, Office of Generic Drugs, HFD-600
CDER, Food and Drug Administration
Metro Park North II
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RE: Prior Approval Supplements

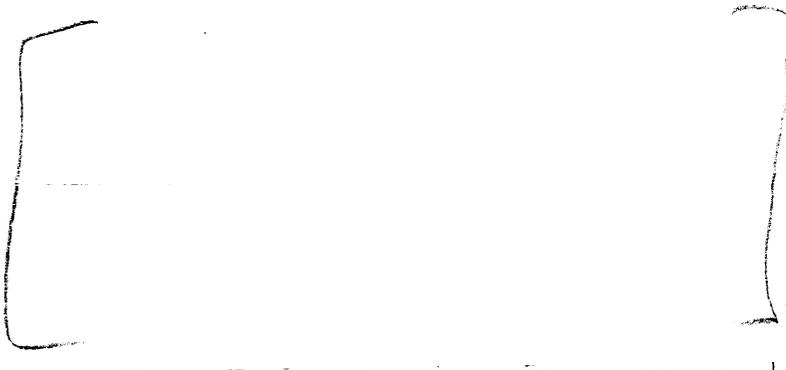
Dear Mr. Sporn:

Please refer to Andrx Pharmaceuticals abbreviated new drug application for Diltiazem Hydrochloride Extended-release Capsules, ANDA 74-752. Pursuant to 21 CFR 314.70(b), we are submitting a prior approval supplemental application to _____ the drug product.

In accordance with the approved release specifications, _____
_____. Every lot of each container tested to date has consistently met the required release specification.

Based on the accumulated test data, and in keeping with common industry practice, we are requesting a _____
_____. This change will not affect the characteristics of identity, strength, quality and purity of the drug product. The containers will continue to be provided by the same vendors that have proven their ability to consistently provide containers of optimal quality.

The following is a list of the containers that would be affected by the proposed change:



These containers are used to package the drug product as follows:



February 28, 2000

Douglas D. Tolen
Director, Florida District Office
Food and Drug Administration
555 Winderley Place
Suite 200
Maitland, FL 32751

**RE: FIELD COPY - ANDA 74-752; Diltiazem HCl Extended-Release Capsules,
120 mg, 180 mg, 240 mg & 300 mg - SUPPLEMENT [§ 314.70(b)]**

Dear Mr. Tolen:

Andrx Pharmaceuticals Inc. submitted a supplement to the above referenced ANDA on February 28, 2000, providing for _____, Pursuant to 21 CFR 314.94(d)(5), we are providing your office with a Field Copy of this supplement. We certify that this is a true copy of the supplement submitted to the Office of Generic Drugs.

Should you have any questions or comments concerning this submission, please contact Janet Vaughn at (954) 327-3265 (telephone) or (954) 587-1054 (facsimile).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Diane Servello".

Diane Servello
Director Regulatory Affairs

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Sincerely yours,

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Florence S. Fang
Director
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for

Florence S. Fang
Director
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January 27, 2000

NDA SUPPL AMENDMENT
SCC-008 AM
SCC-009 AM

Mr. Douglas L. Sporn, Director
Office of Generic Drugs, CDER, FDA
Metro Park North II
7500 Standish Place
Rockville, MD 20855-2773

**RE: ANDA 74-752; Diltiazem Hydrochloride Extended-release Capsules
Minor Amendment to Supplemental Application (S-008/S-009)**

Dear Mr. Sporn:

Reference is made to our supplemental application dated June 24, 1999, providing for the _____
_____) for the above mentioned drug product. Reference is also made to the FDA's not
approvable letter dated December 9, 1999 (Attachment 1).

Pursuant to 21 CFR §314.120, Andrx Pharmaceutical, Inc. is herewith submitting a minor amendment to
our supplemental application, by providing complete responses to each of the deficiencies listed in the
December 9th letter as follows:

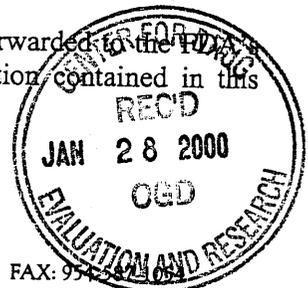
Chemistry Deficiencies

- 1. The referenced DMF _____ is deficient and the DMF holder has been notified.



In addition, we acknowledge that a satisfactory compliance evaluation for the firms referenced in the
application is required for approval.

Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc. certifies that a Field Copy of this amendment was forwarded to the FDA's
Florida District Office. The Field Copy contained a true copy of the information contained in this
amendment.



Please contact Janet Vaughn, Regulatory Affairs Manager, at (954) 327-3265 (phone) or (954) 587-1054 (facsimile) if you require any additional information.

Sincerely,



Diane Servello
Director of Regulatory Affairs

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ATTACHMENT I

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ANDA 74-752/S-008, S-009

Andrx pharmaceutical, Inc.
Attention: Diane Servello
4001 SW 47th Avenue
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33314

DEC 9 1999

Dear Diane Servello:

This is in reference to your supplemental new drug applications dated June 24, 1999, submitted under 505 (j), of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act, regarding your abbreviated new drug application for Diltiazem Hydrochloride Extended-release Capsules USP, 120 mg, 180 mg, 240 mg, and 300 mg.

The supplemental applications submitted as "Prior Approval Supplements", provide for the _____

The supplemental applications are deficient and, therefore, not approvable under Section 505 of the Act for the following reasons:

Chemistry Deficiencies

1. The referenced DMF # _____ is deficient and the DMF holder has been notified.
2. Please provide _____ data for lot 9807012 and lot 9807011.

In addition to responding to these deficiencies, please note and acknowledge the following in your response:

A satisfactory compliance evaluation for the firms referenced in the application is required for approval. Our request for an evaluation of _____ from the Office of Compliance is pending.

The file on these supplemental applications is now closed. You are required to take an action described under 21 CFR 314.120 which will either amend or withdraw these supplemental applications. Your amendment should respond to all the deficiencies listed. A partial reply will not be considered for review, nor will the review clock be reactivated until all deficiencies have been addressed. The responses to this letter will be considered as MINOR amendments and should be so designated in your cover letter. If you have substantial disagreement with our reasons for not approving these supplemental applications, you may request an opportunity for a hearing.

Sincerely yours,

Florence S. ^{ISI}Fang
Director
Division of Chemistry II
Office of Generic Drugs
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research

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The file on these supplemental applications is now closed. You are required to take an action described under 21 CFR 314.120 which will either amend or withdraw these supplemental applications. Your amendment should respond to all the deficiencies listed. A partial reply will not be considered for review, nor will the review clock be reactivated until all deficiencies have been addressed. The responses to this letter will be considered as MINOR amendments and should be so designated in your cover letter. If you have substantial disagreement with our reasons for not approving these supplemental applications, you may request an opportunity for a hearing.

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NDA NO. 74752 REF. NO. SCC008
NDA SUPPL FOR [REDACTED]

June 24, 1999

Douglas L. Sporn, Director
Office of Generic Drugs
CDER, FDA
Metro Park North II
7500 Standish Place, Room 150
Rockville, MD 20855

NDA NO. 74752 REF. NO. SCC009
NDA SUPPL FOR [REDACTED]

RE: ANDA 74-752; Diltiazem HCl Extended-Release Capsules,
120 mg, 180 mg, 240 mg, and 300 mg - SUPPLEMENT [§ 314.70(b)(2)(ii)]

Dear Mr. Sporn:

Pursuant to 21 CFR 314.70(b)(2)(ii), Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc. is herewith submitting
a supplement providing for [REDACTED] Diltiazem
Hydrochloride USP [REDACTED]

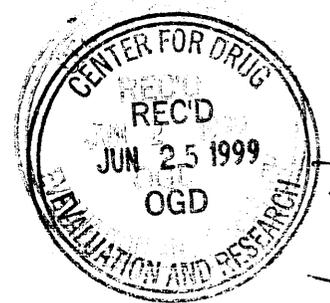
The [REDACTED] are as follows:

Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc. certifies that a true copy of this supplement was sent to the
Florida District Office as a Field Copy.

Should you have any questions concerning this submission, please contact the
undersigned at (954) 327-4412 (telephone) or (954) 587-1054 (fax).

Sincerely,

Diane Servello
Director of Regulatory Affairs



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May 20, 1999

Douglas L. Sporn, Director
Office of Generic Drugs, CDER, FDA
Attention: Document Control Room
Metro Park North II
7500 Standish Place, Room 150
Rockville, MD 20855-2773

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RE: ANDA 74-752: Diltiazem Hydrochloride Extended-release Capsules, 120 mg, 180 mg, 240 mg and 300 mg

MINOR AMENDMENT TO SUPPLEMENT S-004, S-006

Dear Mr. Sporn:

In accordance with 21 CFR 314.120, Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc. is herewith submitting a minor amendment to the above referenced supplemental application.

This amendment is being submitted in response to a Not Approvable letter dated May 19, 1999. Complete responses to the chemistry deficiencies are provided.

Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc. certifies that true copies of the technical sections contained in this amendment were sent to the Florida District Office as a Field Copy.

Should you have any questions concerning this submission, please contact the undersigned at (954) 327-4412 (telephone) or (954) 587-1054 (fax).

Sincerely,

Diane Servello
Director of Regulatory Affairs



ANDA 74-752/S-004, S-006

Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
Attention: David A. Gardner
4001 S.W. 47th Avenue
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33314

MAY 19 1999

Dear Sir:

This is in reference to your supplemental new drug applications dated September 11, 1998, submitted pursuant to 21 CFR 314.70, regarding your abbreviated new drug application for Cartia-XT (Diltiazem Hydrochloride Extended-release Capsules, USP); 120 mg, 180 mg, 240 mg and 300 mg.

Reference is also made to your amendment dated April 14, 1999.

The supplemental applications provide for:

S-004: Formulation Change -



S-006: Labeling Revision.

The supplemental application is deficient and, therefore, not approvable under Section 505 of the Act for the following reasons:



1. Revised stability protocols indicating that at least the smallest and largest container/closure system will be tested for each strength of drug product.
2. Stability data accrued to date for each strength of drug product.

The file on these supplemental applications is now closed. You are required to take an action described under 21 CFR 314.120 which will either amend or withdraw these supplemental applications. Your amendment should respond to all the deficiencies listed. A partial reply will not be considered for review, nor will the review clock be reactivated until all deficiencies have been addressed. The response to this letter will be considered a MINOR amendment and should be so designated in your cover letter. If you have substantial disagreement with our reasons for not approving this supplemental application, you may request an opportunity for a hearing.

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Director
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NDA SUPPL AMENDMENT
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April 23, 1999

Douglas L. Sporn, Director
Office of Generic Drugs
CDER, FDA
Metro Park North II
7500 Standish Place, Room 150
Rockville, MD 20855

NDA NO. _____ REF NO. 52007
NDA SUPPL FOR Label rev

**RE: ANDA 74-752; Diltiazem Extended-Release Capsules USP
120 mg, 180 mg, 240 mg and 300 mg**

MINOR AMENDMENT TO SUPPLEMENT S-001, S-002 AND S-003

Dear Mr. Sporn:

We refer to your letter dated March 23, 1999 (copy attached) describing chemistry and labeling deficiencies in the above-mentioned supplemental applications submitted on August 18, 1998. Pursuant to 21 CFR 314.120, we are herewith submitting a MINOR amendment responding to all the listed deficiencies.

In this regard, we are enclosing the following:

A. CHEMISTRY DEFICIENCIES:

Comment 1: Please submit USP <661> and <671> testing results for the 120 cc and 150 cc container/closure systems.

Response: Testing results per USP <661> and <671> for the 120 cc and 150 cc container/closure systems are enclosed under Tab 1.

Comment 2: []

Response: []

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B. LABELING DEFICIENCIES:

Comment: You have added 90 count and 1000 count container/closure systems with no labeling submission. Please submit labeling for the new packages and containers as well as package inserts with all necessary revisions.

Response: We have prepared final printed container labels for the 90 count and 1000 count containers, as well as package inserts with the necessary revisions. Please see Tab 3 for the following information:

- i) Side-by-side labeling for the package insert, annotated to describe the changes from the latest approved package insert. Please note that since the container labels are for new package sizes rather than revisions to previous labels, a side-by-side comparison has not been prepared for the container labels.
- ii) Final printed container labels are enclosed as follows:
 - 120 mg strength (90 count)
 - 120 mg strength (1000 count)
 - 180 mg strength (90 count)

- 180 mg strength (1000 count)
- 240 mg strength (90 count)
- 240 mg strength (1000 count)
- 300 mg strength (90 count)
- 300 mg strength (1000 count)

- iii) Final printed package outsert labeling. Please note that the blue-inked outserts are for submission purposes only and that the outserts for commercial distribution will be printed in black ink.

Twelve copies of final printed labeling have been provided - one set in the archival copy, one set in the review copy, and ten sets separately bound in a black, labeled binder.

Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc. certifies that true copies of the technical sections contained in this amendment were sent to the Florida District Office as a Field Copy.

Should you have any questions concerning this submission, please contact the undersigned at (954) 327-4412 (telephone) or (954) 587-1054 (fax).

Sincerely,



Diane Servello
Director of Regulatory Affairs

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ANDA NO. 74-752 REP. NO. SL-006
ANDA SUPPL FOR Labeling Rev

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April 14, 1999

Douglas L. Sporn, Director
Office of Generic Drugs, CDER, FDA
Attention: Document Control Room
Metro Park North II
7500 Standish Place, Room 150
Rockville, MD 20855-2773

RE: ANDA 74-752: Diltiazem Hydrochloride Extended-release Capsules, 120 mg, 180 mg, 240 mg and 300 mg

MINOR AMENDMENT TO SUPPLEMENT S-004

Dear Mr. Sporn:

In accordance with 21 CFR 314.120, Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc. is herewith submitting a minor amendment to the above referenced supplemental application.

This amendment is being submitted in response to a Not Approvable letter dated April 2, 1999. Complete responses to the chemistry and labeling deficiencies are provided.

Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc. certifies that true copies of the technical sections contained in this amendment were sent to the Florida District Office as a Field Copy.

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Sincerely,

Diane Servello
Director of Regulatory Affairs

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ANDA 74-752/S-004

Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
Attention: David A. Gardner
4001 S.W. 47th Avenue
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33314

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Dear Sir:

This is in reference to your supplemental new drug application dated September 11, 1998, submitted pursuant to 21 CFR 314.70, regarding your abbreviated new drug application for Cartia-XT™ (Diltiazem Hydrochloride Extended-release Capsules, USP) 120 mg, 180 mg, 240 mg and 300 mg.

Reference is also made to your amendments dated December 22, 1998 and January 14, 1999.

The supplemental application provides for the



The supplemental application is deficient and, therefore, not approvable under Section 505 of the Act for the following reasons:

A. Chemistry Deficiencies:

1.



2. []

B. Labeling Deficiencies:

Please submit a revised package insert indicating the addition of magnesium stearate as an inactive ingredient.

The file on this supplemental application is now closed. You are required to take an action described under 21 CFR 314.120 which will either amend or withdraw this supplemental application. Your amendment should respond to all the deficiencies listed. A partial reply will not be considered for review, nor will the review clock be reactivated until all deficiencies have been addressed. The response to this letter will be considered a MINOR amendment and should be so designated in your cover letter. If you have substantial disagreement with our reasons for not approving this supplemental application, you may request an opportunity for a hearing.

Sincerely yours,

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Florence Fang
Director
Division of Chemistry II
Office of Generic Drugs
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research

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stability test results. Please explain this discrepancy.

B. Labeling Deficiencies:

You have added 90 count and 1000 count container/closure systems with no labeling submission. Please submit labeling for the new packages and containers as well as package inserts with all necessary revisions.

The file on these supplemental applications is now closed. You are required to take an action described under 21 CFR 314.120 which will either amend or withdraw these supplemental applications. Your amendment should respond to all the deficiencies listed. A partial reply will not be considered for review, nor will the review clock be reactivated until all deficiencies have been addressed. The responses to this letter will be considered a MINOR amendment and should be so designated in your cover letter. If you have substantial disagreement with our reasons for not approving this supplemental application, you may request an opportunity for a hearing.

Sincerely yours,

/s/

Ans

Florence Fang
Director
Division of Chemistry II
Office of Generic Drugs
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research



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February 23, 1999

NEW CORRESP

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Mr. Douglas Sporn
Director, Office of Generic Drugs (HFD-600)
CDER, FDA
Document Control Room, Metro Park North II
7500 Standish Place, Room 150
Rockville, MD 20855-2773

RE: ANDA 74-752: Cartia XT (Diltiazem Hydrochloride Extended-release Tablets USP), 120 mg, 180 mg, 240 mg & 300 mg PATENT AMENDMENT

Dear Mr. Sporn:

Andrx is amending its September 11, 1998 supplemental application to ANDA 74-752 (S-004) to provide documentation of notification/receipt of notification under 21 CFR 314.95(a).

In accordance with 21 CFR 314.95(b), Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc. certifies that:

- (i) notices of certification of noninfringement of a patent have been provided by U.S. registered mail, return receipt requested, to the patent owners (Carderm Capital and Elan Corp.) and the NDA holder (Carderm Capital), and
- (ii) the notices met the content requirements under section 314.95(c).

In accordance with section 314.95(e), copies of the return receipt postcards are provided as documentation of receipt of the notices.

This amendment consists of one volume. An archival copy and a review copy are provided. Should you have any questions or comments regarding this submission, please contact the undersigned at (954) 321-5229 (Tel.) or (954) 587-1054 (Fax).

Sincerely,

Jacqueline Davis
Regulatory Affairs Manager

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January 29, 1999

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NEW CORRESP

*NC to
SC-004*

Re: ANDA #74-752: Cartia-XT (Diltiazem Hydrochloride Extended Release Capsules USP) 120 mg, 180 mg, 240 mg & 300 mg (Once-A-Day Dosage) AMENDMENT TO SUPPLEMENT S-004

Dear Sir or Madam:

Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc. is hereby amending its prior approval supplement, S-004, submitted on September 11, 1998, to provide a Paragraph IV Certification (enclosed herewith). As discussed with Mr. Peter Rickman, Branch Chief, Regulatory Support Branch, Andrx does not believe this Paragraph IV Certification is legally required. Despite this belief, Andrx is submitting the enclosed certification based upon the following representations and understandings:

1. As the FDA procedures do not provide for a notice of acceptance of filing of a supplement, which is the event that triggers the notice to the parties having an interest in the referenced product, Andrx is authorized to immediately forward the detailed explanation of its Paragraph IV Certification to Hoechst Marion Roussel, Inc. and Carderm Capital Ltd. Appropriate proof of their receipt of such notification will be forwarded to your office in due course; and

2. The Andrx supplement has been assigned ANDA #74-752, the same ANDA number as our application that was approved on July 9, 1998, and thus, such application and this supplement remain fully entitled to the 180-day period of marketing exclusivity accorded to Andrx pursuant to Section 355(j)(5)(B)(iv). Accordingly, our application will not delay or prevent the approval of our supplement and the period of exclusivity will not commence until such time as either of the events specified in the foregoing section has been satisfied.

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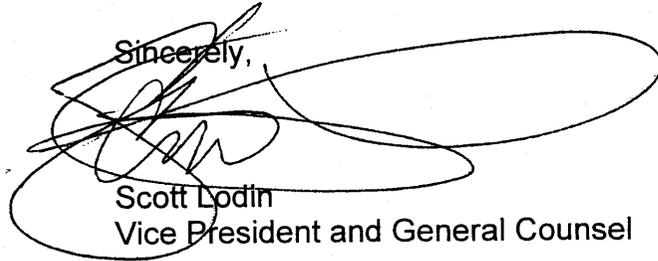
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We thank you for your consideration of this matter. Please contact me at 954-321-5214 (telephone) or 954-792-1034 (facsimile) if you have any questions or concerns with respect to the foregoing.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Scott Lodin", is written over a large, loopy oval scribble.

Scott Lodin
Vice President and General Counsel

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Enclosure

cc: Chih-Ming J. Chen, Ph.D.
James Costigan, Esq.
Jacqueline Davis
Eugene Pfeifer, Esq.

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PHARMACEUTICALS INC.

January 14, 1999

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**RE: ANDA #74-752: Cartia-XT (Diltiazem Hydrochloride Extended-Release Capsules USP)
120 mg, 180 mg, 240 mg, & 300 mg (Once-A-Day Dosage)**

AMENDMENT TO SUPPLEMENT S-004

Dear Sir/Madam:

Andrx Pharmaceuticals is amending its prior approval supplement, S-004, submitted on September 11, 1998, to provide updated stability data. Supplement S-004 provides for a change in _____

_____ This amendment provides additional stability data in support of this change.

The information provided includes stability protocols for the 120 and 300 mg strengths, a stability commitment, and three months accelerated and long term stability data for three lots each of the 120 and 300 mg strengths. The stability data also includes six months long term data for the 300 mg biobatch, Lot #600R003.

This amendment consists of one volume. An archival copy and a chemistry review copy are provided.

In accordance with 21 CFR 314.96(b), Andrx Pharmaceuticals certifies that a field copy of this amendment has been sent to the Florida District Office.

Should you have any questions concerning this submission, please contact the undersigned at (954) 321-5229 (tel.) or (954) 587-1054 (fax).

Sincerely,



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Rockville, MD 20855-2773

RE: ANDA #74-752: Cartia-XT (Diltiazem Hydrochloride Extended-Release Capsules USP)
120 mg, 180 mg, 240 mg, & 300 mg (Once-A-Day Dosage)

TELEPHONE BIOEQUIVALENCY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir/Madam:

Andrx Pharmaceuticals is amending its prior approval supplement submitted on September 11, 1998, to provide the additional information requested by telephone on December 11, 1998. This amendment provides the following:

- (i) dissolution profiles for the 120 mg, 180 mg, 240 mg, and 300 mg strengths (Attachment A)
- (ii) comparative dissolution data for the new formulation vs. the old formulation for all strengths (Attachment B)
- (iii) a request for waiver for the lower strengths (Attachment C)
- (iv) formulation data (comparison of the formulation for the proposed product vs. the previously approved product) for all strengths (Attachment D)

In addition, please note the following responses:

- the lot size of the 300 mg biobatch (Lot #600R003A) is _____ capsules)
- the potency of Lot #600R003A is _____ (see certificate of analysis on page 46 of original supplement)
- the potency of the reference product (Lot #P70395) is _____

Should you have any questions concerning this submission, please contact the undersigned at (954) 321-5229 (tel.) or (954) 587-1054 (fax).

Sincerely,

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Regulatory Affairs Manager

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Mr. Douglas Sporn, Director
OFFICE OF GENERIC DRUGS, CDER, FDA
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MINOR AMENDMENT

Re: **Minor Amendment ANDA 74-752: Cartia XT (Diltiazem Hydrochloride Extended-release Capsules, USP) 120mg, 180 mg, 240 mg & 300mg (Once-a-day Dosage).**

Dear Director Sporn:

Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc. ("Andrx"), today submits twelve (12) **final printed** container labels for each package size of each strength for an original abbreviated new drug application ("ANDA") for Cartia XT (Diltiazem Hydrochloride Extended-release Capsules, USP) 120 mg, 180 mg, 240 mg and 300 mg (Once-a-day Dosage) dated September 22, 1995. This ANDA received approval on July 9, 1998.

On June 25, 1998, prior to approval, the final container labelling was submitted for this ANDA. What was submitted at that time were color printer's proofs which had been generated by the vendor using a color lazer printer. The labels provided with this submission are the final printed container labels which is the reason the submission is being made.

Andrx is providing two copies of this minor amendment to the Office of Generic Drugs, an Archival Copy and a Chemistry Review Copy.

Please direct any communications regarding this submission to me at the following address:

4001 S. W. 47 Avenue
Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33314

If you need to telephone or send a facsimile, my numbers are (954) 581-5389 (954) 327-5389 (Fax). **RECEIVED**

Thank you for your prompt handling of this amendment.

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Sincerely,
David A. Gardner
David A. Gardner
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SUPPLEMENT -
EXPEDITED REVIEW

Re: **ANDA 74-752:** **Cartia-XT (Diltiazem Hydrochloride Extended-release Capsules, USP)**
120mg, 180 mg, 240 mg & 300mg (Once-a-day Dosage)

Dear Director Sporn:

Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc. ("Andrx"), today submits a Prior Approval Supplement to ANDA 74-752, Cartia-XT (Diltiazem Hydrochloride Extended-release Capsules, USP) 120 mg, 180 mg, 240 mg & 300 mg (Once-a-day Dosage). This ANDA was approved on July 9, 1998. The supplement is being submitted based on 21 CFR §314.70(b)(2)(i).



Andrx hereby requests an **expedited review** of the supplement. While the supplement represents only a minor modification of the formulation for Andrx' approved product, the resulting change in the Cartia XT dissolution specification, when approved by FDA, will be presented to the Court in our pending patent litigation concerning that product. As the FDA is aware, Andrx has not commenced the marketing of Cartia XT due to the pendency of that litigation and Andrx believes that this change will allow that Court to more easily makes its determination with respect to an important issue in that litigation.

Andrx is providing two copies of this Prior Approval Supplement to the Office of Generic Drugs, an Archival Copy, a Chemistry Review Copy and a Pharmacokinetic Review Copy which contains a randomized, two-way crossover, single dose, fasting bioequivalence study - protocol No. 98090. [Note: The four (4) volumes containing the bioequivalence study - volumes 4 through 7 - have been numbered separately beginning with 1 through 2146.]

This also certifies that, concurrent with the filing of this supplement, a true copy of the supplement along with a certification that the contents are a true copy was sent to our local district office in Maitland, Florida. This copy was sent as a Field Submission Chemistry Section. (Note: A copy of the bioequivalence study was not submitted to the local district office.)

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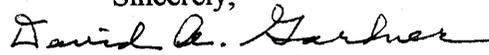
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Thank you for your prompt handling of this supplement.

Sincerely,



David A. Gardner

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PRIOR APPROVAL
SUPPLEMENT

**Re: ANDA 74-752: Cartia-XT (Diltiazem Hydrochloride Extended-release Capsules, USP)
120 mg, 180 mg, 240 mg & 300 mg (Once-a-day Dosage)**

Dear Director Sporn:

Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc. ("Andrx"), today submits a Prior Approval Supplement to ANDA 74-752, Cartia-XT (Diltiazem Hydrochloride Extended-release Capsules, USP) 120 mg, 180 mg, 240 mg & 300 mg (Once-a-day Dosage). The supplement is being submitted based on 21 CFR §314.70(b)(2)(vii). The following changes are being submitted in this supplement:

- (1) addition of a larger package size - 1000 count bottle;
- (2) change in the _____
- (3) change in the _____

Andrx is providing two copies of this Prior Approval Supplement to the Office of Generic Drugs, an Archival Copy and a Chemistry Review Copy.

This also certifies that, concurrent with the filing of this supplement, a true copy of the supplement along with a certification that the contents are a true copy was sent to our local district office in Maitland, Florida. This copy was sent as a Field Submission Chemistry Section.

Please direct any communications regarding this submission to me at the following address:

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Thank you for the prompt handling of this supplement.

Sincerely,

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