



NDA 20-859/S-001

Wyeth-Ayerst Research
Attention: Kenneth R. Bonk
Associate Director, Worldwide Regulatory Affairs
P.O. Box 8299
Philadelphia, PA 19101

Dear Mr. Bonk:

Please refer to your supplemental new drug application dated October 29, 1999, submitted under section 505(b) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act for Sonata (zaleplon) Capsules.

We acknowledge receipt of your submissions dated September 20, 2000 and October 26, 2000. Your submission of September 20, 2000 constituted a complete response to our August 22, 2000 action letter.

This supplemental new drug application provides for the use of Sonata® (zaleplon) capsules for up to 5 weeks (35-nights) of treatment in a controlled trial setting.

We have completed the review of this supplemental application, as amended, and have concluded that adequate information has been presented to demonstrate that the drug product is safe and effective for use as recommended in the agreed upon enclosed labeling text. Accordingly, the supplemental application is approved effective on the date of this letter.

The final printed labeling (FPL) must be identical to the enclosed labeling (text for the package insert, text for the patient package insert).

Please submit the copies of final printed labeling (FPL) electronically according to the guidance for industry titled *Providing Regulatory Submissions in Electronic Format - NDA* (January 1999). Alternatively, you may submit 20 paper copies of the FPL as soon as it is available but no more than 30 days after it is printed. Please individually mount ten of the copies on heavy-weight paper or similar material. For administrative purposes, this submission should be designated "FPL for approved supplement NDA 20-859/S-001." Approval of this submission by FDA is not required before the labeling is used.

In addition, please submit three copies of the introductory promotional materials that you propose to use for this product. All proposed materials should be submitted in draft or mock-up form, not final print. Please submit one copy to this Division and two copies of both the promotional materials and the package insert directly to:

Division of Drug Marketing, Advertising, and Communications, HFD-42
Food and Drug Administration
5600 Fishers Lane

Rockville, Maryland 20857

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

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

Please submit one market package of the drug product when it is available.

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


If you have any questions, call Melaine Shin, R.Ph., Regulatory Management Officer, at (301) 594-5793.

Sincerely,

/S/

Russell Katz, M.D.
Director
Division of Neuropharmacological Drug Products
Office of Drug Evaluation I
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research

Enclosure

Sonata[®] 
(zaleplon)
Capsules