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## Approval Package for:

### *APPLICATION NUMBER:*

**20-936/S006**

**20-031/S032**

**20-710/S010**

**20-885/S003**

***Trade Name:*** Paxil CR  
Paxil Tablets  
Paxil Capsules  
Paxil Oral Suspension

***Generic Name:*** (paroxetine hydrochloride)

***Sponsor:*** SmithKline Beecham Pharmaceuticals

***Approval Date:*** April 30, 2001

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**APPROVAL LETTER**



NDA 20-031/SCM032, 20-710/SCM-010, 20-885/SCM003, 20-936/SCM006

SmithKline Beecham Pharmaceuticals  
Attention: Deborah E. Zuber  
Assistant Director, US Regulatory Affairs  
1250 South Collegeville Road, PO Box 4089  
Collegeville, PA 19426-0989

Dear Ms. Zuber:

Please refer to your supplemental new drug application dated November 6, 2000 received November 7, 2000 submitted under section 505(b) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act for Paxil® Tablets, Paxil® Capsules, Paxil® CR Tablets, Paxil® Oral Suspension.

We acknowledge receipt of your submission dated November 6, 2000. These "Changes Being Effected" Supplemental New Drug Applications provide for updated CMC information in DMF 15039 covering (b) (4) of Paroxetine HCl using approved (b) (4) County Cork, Ireland.

We have completed the review of these supplemental applications and they are approved with the following comment.

**You have provided release data on values of "Other Single Impurity" for the (b) (4) batches manufactured using approved (b) (4) County Cork, Ireland (b) (4). However, the "Other Single Impurity" has shown values greater than (b) (4)% on stability. We recommend that you change the specification of "Other Single Impurity" to an appropriate value such (b) (4)% or submit a Prior Approval supplement for an acceptable improved regulatory method for determining the "Highest Other Single Impurity" at NMT (b) (4)%.**

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 Paul David, R.Ph., Regulatory Project Manager, at (301) 594-5530.

Sincerely,

*{See appended electronic signature page}*

Robert H. Seevers, Ph.D.  
Chemistry Team Leader, Psychiatric Drugs for the  
Division of Neuropharmacological Drug Products, (HFD-120)  
DNDC I, Office of New Drug Chemistry  
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research

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**OTHER ACTION LETTER(s)**



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**INFORMATION REQUEST LETTER**

SmithKline Beecham Pharmaceuticals  
Attention: Deborah E. Zuber, R.Ph.  
Assistant Director, NA Regulatory Affairs  
1250 South Collegeville Road, P.O. Box 4089  
Collegeville, PA 19426-0989

Dear Ms. Zuber:

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We also refer to your submissions dated December 29, 2000.

We are reviewing the Chemistry section of your submissions and have the following comments and information requests. We need your prompt written response to continue our evaluation of your supplemental application.

1. Your amendment dated December 29, 2000 requests approval for modified manufacturing route of paroxetine HCl at (b) (4) 15039. The amendment (pages 13-14, 17-18) states that the following data are provided to support the changes proposed:
  - ◆ (b) (4)
  - ◆ Batch analysis data on (b) (4) and comparative batch analysis between current approved drug substance and alternate modified route of manufacture
  - ◆ Stability data for batches manufactured via (b) (4) (b) (4) under ICH conditions for DMF's 15039 (b) (4) includes:
    - (b) (4) month stability data for (b) (4) batches for DMF 15039,
    - (b) (4) (b) (4)
  - ◆ Relevant raw material specifications and analytical methods including intermediate specifications, analytical methods and method validation for (b) (4)

However, these data have not been provided either in the supplement, the amendment dated December 29, 2000 or the respective DMF's. This supplement cannot be approved until these data (b) (4) submitted and reviewed. Please provide the data to support the changes proposed for use of (b) (4) method at (b) (4) or manufacture of drug substance, paroxetine HCl, as soon as possible.



Food and Drug Administration  
Rockville MD 20857

2. DMF (b) (4) 15039 are both for the manufacturing of paroxetine HCl (b) (4).  
(b) (4) As per DMF 15039 cover letter, only DMF 15039 will be referenced in the future Paxil® submissions. However, the proposed changes in your amendment dated December 29, 2000 will result in manufacturing (b) (4) SB County Cork, Ireland (b) (4) for both DMF (b) (4) 15039. As a consequence, both DMF's/will (b) (4)
3. The modified route of manufacture (b) (4) requires use of (b) (4).  
You have not provided data to establish absence of any new impurities generated (b) (4) materials including (b) (4). Please propose, monitor and report in-process controls and analytical methods for possible new impurities and include all impurities greater than (b) (4)% in the drug substance specifications.

If you have any questions, call Paul David, R.Ph., Regulatory Project Manager, at (301) 594-5530.

Sincerely,

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Chemistry Team Leader, Psychiatric Drugs for the  
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**CHEMISTRY REVIEW(S)**





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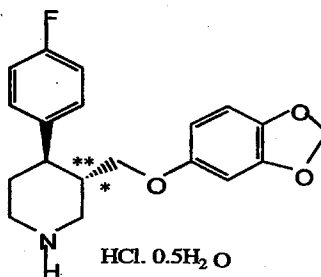
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CHEMIST REVIEW  
OF SUPPLEMENTS

1. ORGANIZATION: HFD-120  
 2. NDA: 20-031, 20-885  
 20-936, 20-710  
 3. SUPPLEMENT NUMBERS/ DATES: SCM034, SCM004,  
 SCM007, SCM011 respectively  
 letter date: December 29, 2000  
 stamp date: January 3, 2001  
 4. AMENDMENTS/REPORTS/DATES:  
 5. RECEIVED BY CHEMIST: January 7, 2001  
 Smithkline Beecham Pharmaceuticals  
 1250 S. Collegeville Road, PO Box 5089, PA 19426-0989  
 Paxil®  
 Paroxetine hydrochloride  
 6. APPLICANT NAME & ADDRESS  
 7. NAME OF DRUG:  
 8. NONPROPRIETARY NAME:  
 9. CHEMICAL NAME/STRUCTURE: (-)-trans-4R-(4'-fluorophenyl)-3S-[3',4'-  
 methylenedioxyphenoxymethyl]-piperidine hydrochloride  
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10. DOSAGE FORM(S): N20-031 – Paxil® Tablets  
 N20-885 – Paxil® Capsules  
 N20-936 – Paxil® CR Tablets  
 N20-710 – Paxil® Oral Suspension
11. POTENCY: N20-031 – Paxil® Tablets (10, 20, 30, 40 mg)  
 N20-885 – Paxil® Capsules (10, 20, 30, 40 mg)  
 N20-936 – Paxil® CR Tablets (12.5 and 25 mg)  
 N20-710 – Paxil® Oral Suspension (10 mg/5 mL)
12. PHARMACOLOGICAL CATEGORY: Depression, Obsessive Compulsive Disorder, and Panic Disorder
13. HOW DISPENSED:           X           (RX)            (OTC)
14. RECORDS & REPORTS CURRENT:           X           Yes            No
15. RELATED IND/NDA/DMF: DMF 15039            (b) (4)

**SUPPLEMENT PROVIDES FOR:**

Prior Approval supplements for use of an alternate modified route of manufacture            (b) (4) of paroxetine HCl using            (b) (4). The changes in manufacture will affect two DMF's for paroxetine HCl            (b) (4) DMF # 15039.

**COMMENTS:**

These PA supplements were initially accidentally filed as an amendment to another Paxil supplement. This was corrected on March 1, 2001. An IR letter was sent to SKB (GSK) on February 8, 2001 for information



regarding these PA supplements. However, the IR letter and response refer to the earlier supplements N20-031/SCM032, N20-885/SCM003, N20-936/SCM006 and N20-710/SCM010. The response to IR sent on February 15, 2001 for N20-031/SCM032, N20-885/SCM003, N20-936/SCM006 and N20-710/SCM010 is evaluated in this review.

**CONCLUSIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS:**

N20-031/SCM034, N20-710/SCM011, N20-885/SCM004, N20-936/SCM007 are recommended

**APPROVABLE** contingent on the response and evaluation of the deficiencies. Please see attached review notes and deficiency letter for DMF's (b) (4) 15039 dated March 19, 2001 for details.

19. REVIEWER NAME SIGNATURE DATE COMPLETED

Gurpreet Gill-Sangha, Ph.D.  
Review Chemist, HFD-120

Robert H. Seevers, Ph.D.  
Chemistry Team Leader, HFD-120

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NDA 20-936/SCM007

NDA 20-710/SCM011

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This is review #1 for all 4 PA supplements with the response to IR letter

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**CONCLUSIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS:**

N20-031/SCM032, N20-710/SCM010, N20-885/SCM003, N20-936/SCM006 are to be recommended

**APPROVED** with noted comment about an appropriate specification limit or improve the regulatory method for the highest other single impurity as NMT (b) (4)%. See draft letter and attached DMF 15039 CR#2 for details.

19. REVIEWER NAME SIGNATURE DATE COMPLETED

Gurpreet Gill-Sangha, Ph.D.  
Review Chemist, HFD-120

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