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**Approval Package for:**

***APPLICATION NUMBER:***

**19-653/S-032 & 19-697/S-029**

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

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

***Sponsor:*** Johnson RW

***Approval Date:*** 06/03/2002

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

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

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**APPROVAL LETTER**



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Johnson & Johnson Pharmaceutical Research & Development  
Attention: Donna Panasewicz  
Senior Director, Regulatory Affairs  
920 Route 202 South  
P.O. Box 300  
Raritan, NJ 08869-0602

Dear Ms. Panasewicz:

Please refer to your supplemental new drug application dated December 14, 2001, received December 17, 2001, submitted under section 505(b) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act for

NDA and Supplement	Drug Name
16-709/S-0128	ORTHO-NOVUM 1/50 (norethindrone/mestranol) Tablets
17-735/S-093	MODICON 28 (norethindrone/ethinyl estradiol) Tablets
17-919/S-075	ORTHO-NOVUM 1/35 (norethindrone/ethinyl estradiol) Tablets
18-354/S-043	ORTHO-NOVUM 10/11 (norethindrone/ethinyl estradiol) Tablets
18-985/S-039	ORTHO-NOVUM 7/7/7 (norethindrone/ethinyl estradiol) Tablets
19-004/S-028	ORTHO-NOVUM 7/14 (norethindrone/ethinyl estradiol) Tablets
19-653/S-032	ORTHO-CYCLEN (norgestimate/ethinyl estradiol) Tablets
19-697/S-029	ORTHO TRI-CYCLEN (norgestimate/ethinyl estradiol) Tablets

This "Changes Being Effected" supplemental new drug application provides for the option to use the  as an alternative to the  used for the  of green placebo tablets and to alter the manufacturing batch size of  for the green placebo tablets.

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 NDA set forth under 21 CFR 314.80 and 314.81.

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

Sincerely,

*{See appended electronic signature page}*

David Lin, Ph.D.  
Chemistry Team Leader, for the  
Division of Reproductive and Urologic Drug Products,  
(HFD-580)  
DNDC II, Office of New Drug Chemistry  
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research

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**CHEMISTRY REVIEW(S)**

**CHEMIST REVIEW  
OF SUPPLEMENT**

- 1. ORGANIZATION:** DRUDP HFD-580
- 2. NDA NUMBER:** NDA 19-653/SCS-032
- 3. SUPPLEMENT NUMBERS/DATES:**  
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- 4. AMENDMENTS/REPORTS/DATES:**  
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- 5. RECEIVED BY CHEMIST:** 28-DEC-2001

**6. APPLICANT NAME AND ADDRESS:**

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

**7. NAME OF DRUG:**

ORTHO-CYCLEN<sup>®</sup>, Tablets

**8. NONPROPRIETARY NAME:**

Norgestimate / Ethinyl Estradiol

**9. CHEMICAL NAME/STRUCTURE:**

Please refer to the USP Dictionary of USAN and International Drug Names.

see UPS Dictionary of Drug Names for structures.

**10. DOSAGE FORM(S):**

Tablet

**11. POTENCY:**

Norgestimate 250µg/ Ethinyl Estradiol 35µg

**12. PHARMACOLOGICAL CATEGORY:**

Progestin/Estrogen Oral Contraception

**13. HOW DISPENSED:**

RX

**14. RECORDS & REPORTS CURRENT:**

Yes



**15. RELATED IND/NDA/DMF:**

NDA 17-735/SCS-093, NDA 17-919/SCS-075, NDA 18-354/SCS-043, NDA 18-985/SCS-039, NDA 19-004/SCS 028, NDA 16-709/SCS-128, NDA 19-697/SCS-029.

**16. SUPPLEMENT-CHANGES BEING EFFECTED PROVIDES FOR:**

The option to use [ ] as an alternative to the [ ] used for the [ ] of green placebo tablets and to alter the manufacturing batch size of [ ] for the green placebo tablets.

**17. COMMENTS**

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**18. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:**

This CBE Supplement may be approved. **Issue an approval letter.**

**19. REVIEWER NAME**

Jila H. Boal, Ph.D.  
Review Chemist

**SIGNATURE****DATE COMPLETED**

30-MAY-2002

cc: Original: NDA 19-653/SCS-032

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**ADMINISTRATIVE and CORRESPONDENCE  
DOCUMENTS**





NDA 16-709  
NDA 17-735  
NDA 17-919  
NDA 18-354  
NDA 18-985  
NDA 19-004  
NDA 19-653  
NDA19-697

**CBE-0 SUPPLEMENT**

R.W. Johnson Pharmaceutical Research Institute  
Attention: Donna Panasewicz, Director, Regulatory Affairs  
920 Route 202 South  
P.O. BOX 300  
Raritan, NJ 08869-0602

Dear Ms. Panasewicz:

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Date of supplement: December 14, 2001

Date of receipt: December 17, 2001

This supplemental application was submitted as a "Supplement - Changes Being Effected." The appropriateness of reporting the proposed change as changes being effected is under review.

Unless we notify you within 60 days of the receipt date that the application is not sufficiently complete to permit a substantive review, this application will be filed under section 505(b) of the Act on February 17, 2002 in accordance with 21 CFR 314.101(a).

All communications concerning this supplement should be addressed as follows:

U.S. Postal Service/Courier/Overnight Mail:

Center for Drug Evaluation and Research  
Division of Reproductive and Urologic Drug Products, HFD-580  
Attention: Division Document Room, 17B20  
5600 Fishers Lane  
Rockville, Maryland 20857

If you have any question please contact me at (301) 827-4260.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Mercier  
Regulatory Project Manager  
Division of Reproductive and Urologic Drug Products  
Office of Drug Evaluation III  
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research

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**NDA 16-709**  
ORTHO-NOVUM® 1/50 28 Tablets  
(norethindrone/mestranol)

**NDA 17-735**  
MODICON® 28 Tablets  
(norethindrone/ethinyl estradiol)

**NDA 17-919**  
ORTHO-NOVUM® 1/35 28 Tablets  
(norethindrone/ethinyl estradiol)

**NDA 18-354**  
ORTHO-NOVUM® 10/11 Tablets  
(norethindrone/ethinyl estradiol)

**NDA 18-985**  
ORTHO-NOVUM® 7/7/7 21 & 28  
Tablets (norethindrone/ethinyl  
estradiol)

**NDA 19-004**  
ORTHO-NOVUM® 7/14 Tablets  
(norethindrone/ethinyl estradiol)

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

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

**SUPPLEMENT - CHANGES  
BEING EFFECTED**

NDA NO. 19-697 REF. NO. SCS029  
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CSO INITIALS	DATE

Dear Dr. Allen:

Reference is made to the above approved New Drug Applications for our oral contraceptive and green placebo tablets. At this time, we are submitting a Changes Being Effectuated Supplement to provide for the option to use [ ] as an alternative to the [ ] [ ] currently used for the [ ] of green placebo tablets at our Raritan, New Jersey

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facility. These green placebo tablets are packaged with the referenced products in the 28-day put-up. In addition, we are providing for an alternate manufacturing batch size of [ ] for the green placebo tablets. This new batch size will be manufactured in accordance with our approved applications. It is our intention to use the [ ] for the [ ] of green placebo tablets manufactured using the alternate [ ] batch effective immediately.

In support of this supplement, we have appended the quantitative formulation for the [ ] batch size, and comparative hardness, weight, thickness, and disintegration data for [ ] and [ ] tablets. The data demonstrates that the [ ] process utilizing the [ ] is consistent in all measurable parameters as product produced utilizing the current [ ]

We commit to place the first batch of placebo tablets [ ] utilizing the [ ] [ ] on marketed product stability with whichever of the referenced oral contraceptive products it is first packaged with and to report the results in the NDA annual report.

A field copy of this submission is being forwarded directly to the FDA district office in North Brunswick, New Jersey. We certify that the field copy is a true copy of the information contained in the archival and review copies of this supplemental application.

Should you have any questions and/or comments, please contact me directly at (908) 218-6140 or Sandy Rathborne at (908) 704-4687, or call our telephone line dedicated for FDA use at (908) 704-4600.

Sincerely,

The R.W. Johnson  
Pharmaceutical Research Institute

*Sandy Rathborne*  
*for*

Donna Panasewicz  
Director  
Regulatory Affairs

Enclosure(s)