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**Approval Package for:**

***APPLICATION NUMBER:***

**19-653/S-035 & 19-697/S-032**

***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:*** 01/03/2003

***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**



Food and Drug Administration  
Rockville, MD 20857

NDA 19-653 / S035  
NDA 19-697 / S032

Johnson & Johnson Pharmaceutical Research & Development, L.L.C.  
Attention: Sandy Rathborne  
Manager, Regulatory Affairs  
1000 Route 202 South  
P.O. Box 300  
Raritan, New Jersey 08869-0602

Dear Ms. Rathborne:

Please refer to your supplemental new drug applications dated October 18, 2002, received October 31, 2002, submitted under section 505(b) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act for Ortho-Cyclen<sup>®</sup> and Ortho Tri-Cyclen<sup>®</sup> (norgestimate/ethinyl estradiol) Tablets.

These "Changes Being Effected in 30 days" supplemental new drug applications provide for an option to use [ ] as an alternative to the [ ] used for the [ ] of Ortho-Cyclen<sup>®</sup> and Ortho Tri-Cyclen<sup>®</sup> at the Manati, Puerto Rico facility.

We have completed our review of these supplemental new drug applications and they are approved.

We remind you that you must comply with the reporting requirements for an approved NDA (21 CFR 314.80 and 314.81).

If you have any questions, call Karen Anderson, N.P., Regulatory Project Manager, at (301) 827-4259.

Sincerely,

{See appended electronic signature page}

David T. Lin, Ph.D.  
Chemistry Team Leader for  
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

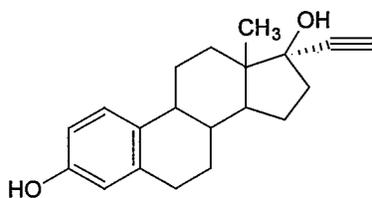
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5. RECEIVED BY CHEMIST: 02-Nov-2002

6. APPLICANT NAME AND ADDRESS: Ortho-McNeil Pharmaceuticals, Inc.  
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P.O. Box 300  
(908)-704-9757

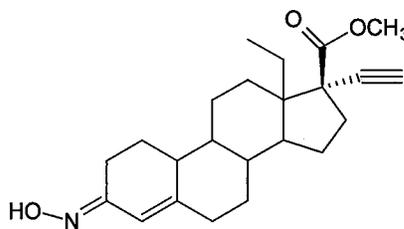
7. NAME OF DRUG: Ortho-Cyclen

8. NONPROPRIETARY NAME: Norgestimate/Ethinyl estradiol

9. CHEMICAL NAME/STRUCTURE:



Ethinyl estradiol (EE)



Norgestimate (NGM)

Ethinyl estradiol (EE): 19-Nor-17 $\alpha$ -pregn-1,3,5(10)-trien-20-yne-3, 17-diol

Norgestimate (NGM): (+)-13-Ethyl-17-hydroxy-18,19-dinor-17 $\alpha$ -pregn-4-en-20-yne-3-one oxime acetate

10. DOSAGE FORM(S): Oral tablets

11. POTENCY: 250 mcg/35 mcg (NGM/EE)

12. PHARMACOLOGICAL CATEGORY: Estrogen/Progestin, Oral contraceptive

13. HOW DISPENSED: Rx

14. RECORDS & REPORTS CURRENT: Yes

15. RELATED IND/NDA/DMF: NDA 19-697/SCS 032

16. **SUPPLEMENT PROVIDES FOR:** The option of using  for  of drug product at the Manati, Puerto Rico manufacturing site.

17. **SPECIAL PRODUCTS: YES \_\_ NO \_X\_.**  
(If yes, fill out the form for special products and deliver to TIA through team leader for data entry)

18. **COMMENTS:** Please refer to attached Comments Section.

19. **CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:**  
This CBE-30 supplement may be **approved**. Issue an Approval Letter.

20. REVIEWER NAME	SIGNATURE	DATE COMPLETED
Sarah C. Pope, Ph.D.		13-Nov-2002

cc: Original: NDA 19-653/SCS-035  
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Chemistry Review (19-653/S-035)

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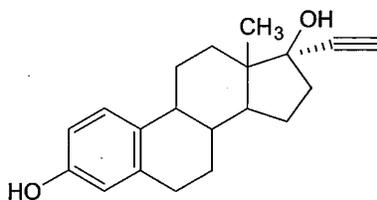
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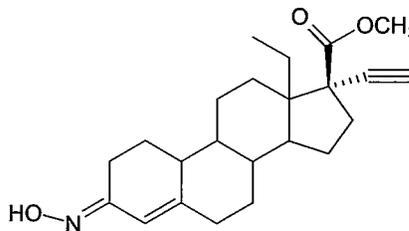
7. **NAME OF DRUG:** Ortho Tri-Cyclen

8. **NONPROPRIETARY NAME:** Norgestimate/Ethinyl estradiol

9. **CHEMICAL NAME/STRUCTURE:**



Ethinyl estradiol (EE)



Norgestimate (NGM)

Ethinyl estradiol (EE): 19-Nor-17 $\alpha$ -pregn-1,3,5(10)-trien-20-yne-3, 17-diol

Norgestimate (NGM): (+)-13-Ethyl-17-hydroxy-18,19-dinor-17 $\alpha$ -pregn-4-en-20-yne-3-one oxime acetate

10. **DOSAGE FORM(S):** Oral tablets
11. **POTENCY:** 180 mcg/35 mcg, 215 mcg/35 mcg, and 250 mcg/35 mcg (NGM/EE)
12. **PHARMACOLOGICAL CATEGORY:** Oral contraceptive
13. **HOW DISPENSED:** Rx
14. **RECORDS & REPORTS CURRENT:** Yes
15. **RELATED IND/NDA/DMF:** NDA 19-653/SCS 035

16. **SUPPLEMENT PROVIDES FOR:** The option of using  for  of drug product at the Manati, Puerto Rico manufacturing site.

17. **SPECIAL PRODUCTS: YES \_\_ NO X\_\_.**  
(If yes, fill out the form for special products and deliver to TIA through team leader for data entry)

18. **COMMENTS:** Please refer to attached Comments Section.

19. **CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:**  
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<b>20. REVIEWER NAME</b>	<b>SIGNATURE</b>	<b>DATE COMPLETED</b>
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**ADMINISTRATIVE and CORRESPONDENCE  
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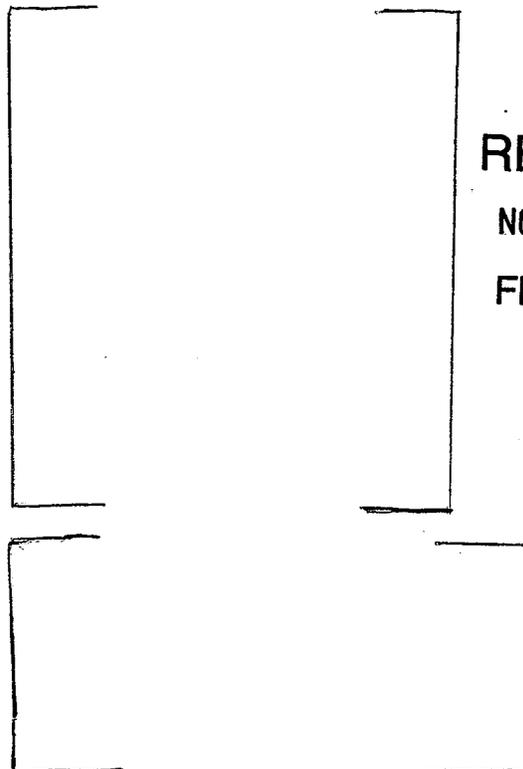
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NDA SUPPL AMENDMENT



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

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

WITHDRAWAL OF SUPPLEMENTS

*K. Anders MD  
pm 11/21/02*

Dear Dr. Shames:

Reference is made to the above-approved New Drug Applications for our oral contraceptive and green placebo tablets. Reference is further made to our Changes Being Effected in 30 Days supplemental applications dated 18 October 2002 (copy of cover letter is attached). The supplements provided for the option to use  as an alternative to the   used for the  of green placebo tablets at our Manati, Puerto Rico facility and for an alternate batch size of  for the manufacture of these tablets.

Finally, reference is made to a telephone conversation of 06 November 2002 between Dr. David Lin of your Division and Ms. Sandy Rathborne of Johnson & Johnson Pharmaceutical Research & Development, L.L.C. in which Dr. Lin advised Ms. Rathborne that these changes should not be submitted as supplements as had previously been agreed with FDA. Rather, this information,

should be reported in the next NDA annual reports. Dr. Lin further advised that for administrative purposes these supplements should be withdrawn.

At this time, on behalf of Ortho-McNeil Pharmaceutical, Inc., and at the request of Dr. Lin, we are withdrawing these supplements in accordance with 21 CFR 314.65 and hereby advise the Agency that we will be reporting these changes in the next NDA annual reports for the above referenced approved New Drug Applications.

A field copy of this submission is being forwarded directly to the FDA district office in San Juan, Puerto Rico. We certify that the field copy is a true copy of the information contained in the archival and review copies of this Withdrawal of Supplemental Applications.

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

Sincerely,

Johnson & Johnson Pharmaceutical Research & Development, L.L.C.



Sandy Rathborne  
Manager, Regulatory Affairs  
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**NDA 19-653**

ORTHO-CYCLEN® Tablets  
(norgestimate/ethinyl estradiol)

**NDA 19-697**

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

**SUPPLEMENT - CHANGES**  
**BEING EFFECTED IN 30 DAYS**

*Reviewed on  
20-Nov-02  
see DES  
Sarah C. Pope*

Dear Dr. Shames:

Reference is made to our approved New Drug Application(s) 19-653 and 19-697 for ORTHO-CYCLEN® (250 µg norgestimate/35 µg ethinyl estradiol) Tablets and ORTHO TRI-CYCLEN® (180, 215 and 250 µg norgestimate/35 µg ethinyl estradiol) Tablets, respectively. Reference is further made to our Changes Being Effected in 30 Days supplemental application dated 25 July 2001 and approved 16 January 2002 (Attachment #1). The supplement provided for the option to use  as an alternative to the   used for the  of ORTHO-CYCLEN and ORTHO TRI-CYCLEN Tablets at our **Raritan, New Jersey facility**.

At this time, on behalf of Ortho-McNeil Pharmaceutical, Inc., we are submitting a Changes Being Effected in 30 Days supplement to provide for the option to use the  as an alternative to the  currently used for the  of these two products at our **Manati, Puerto Rico facility**.

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

- **Attachment 1:**
  - 25 July 2001 submission letter and 16 January 2002 approval letter
- **Attachment 2:**
  - A description of the
- **Attachment 3:**
  - Comparative hardness, weight, thickness, and disintegration data for  and  for our 215 µg norgestimate/35 µg ethinyl estradiol containing tablets (the mid-strength tablet in our triphasic product, ORTHO TRI-CYCLEN Tablets).

The same study parameters were followed for Manati as that of the study conducted to support the Raritan submission, with the exception of the tablet strength. The Raritan study was conducted utilizing the 250 µg norgestimate/35 µg ethinyl estradiol tablet, which represents the high strength tablet in the triphasic product. All three norgestimate/ethinyl estradiol tablet strengths are manufactured using the same method of manufacture. In addition, the formulations are identical at both the Raritan and Manati.

The appended data demonstrate that the [ ] process utilizing the [ ] is consistent in all measurable parameters as product produced utilizing the current [ ] [ ] and that there is no change in the, quality of the products.

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Sincerely,

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Enclosure(s)