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*APPLICATION NUMBER:*

**21-584**

**CHEMISTRY REVIEW(S)**

**NDA 21-584**

**depo-subQ provera 104**  
*medroxyprogesterone acetate,*  
*injectable suspension,*  
*for subcutaneous use*

**Sponsor: Pfizer, Inc.**

**Chemistry Reviewer:**  
**J. Salemme, Ph.D.**

**For Reproductive and Urologic Drug Products**

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## Chemistry Review Data Sheet

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2. REVIEW #: 2

3. REVIEW DATE: 18-Feb-2005

4. REVIEWER: J. Salemme, Ph.D.

5. PREVIOUS DOCUMENTS: None

6. SUBMISSION BEING REVIEWED:

Electronic Submissions Reviewed  
Amendment – response to approvable

Document Date  
27-Jan-2005

7. NAME & ADDRESS OF APPLICANT:

Name: Pharmacia & Upjohn, subsidiary of Pfizer  
Address: 7000 Portage Road  
Representative: Kalamazoo, MI 49001-0199  
Telephone: (269) 833-4000

8. DRUG PRODUCT NAME/CODE/TYPE:

a) Proprietary Name: depo-subQ provera 104  
b) Non-Proprietary Name: medroxyprogesterone acetate injectable suspension  
c) Code Name/# (ONDC only): PNU 8836

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### Executive Summary Section

d) Chem. Type/Submission Priority (ONDC only):

- Chem. Type: 3
- Submission Priority: S

9. LEGAL BASIS FOR SUBMISSION: N/A

10. INDICATION: for the treatment of endometriosis pain

11. DOSAGE FORM: Sterile aqueous suspension in prefilled syringes

12. STRENGTH/POTENCY: 160 mg/mL (delivered dose 104 mg/0.65 mL per syringe)

13. ROUTE OF ADMINISTRATION: Injection, subcutaneous

14. Rx/OTC DISPENSED:  Rx  OTC

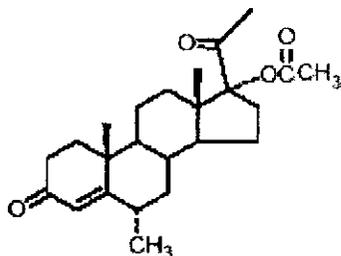
15. SPOTS (SPECIAL PRODUCTS ON-LINE TRACKING SYSTEM):

SPOTS product – Form Completed

Not a SPOTS product

16. CHEMICAL NAME, STRUCTURAL FORMULA, MOLECULAR FORMULA, MOLECULAR WEIGHT:

Medroxyprogesterone acetate; Molecular formula:  $C_{24}H_{34}O_4$ ; Molecular weight: 386  
Structure:



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## Executive Summary Section

### 17. RELATED/SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

#### A. DMFs:

DMF #	TYPE	HOLDER	ITEM REFERENCED	CODE <sup>1</sup>	STATUS <sup>2</sup>	DATE REVIEWED /Reviewer	COMMENTS
-	II	Pfizer	Drug Substance	1	Adequate	J. Salemme, 8-Mar-2004	Also adequate by Microbiology B. Riley, Jan 2004
-	III			3	Adequate	J. Salemme, 24-May 2004	DMF review is of the -
-	III			3	Adequate	D. Lewis, 14-Aug-2003	
-	III			3	Adequate	R. Madurawe, 12-May-2004	
-	III			3	Adequate	Y. Yang, 22-Apr 2002	
-	III			3	Adequate	Y. Yang, 26-Sept 2002	
-	III			3	Adequate	Y. Yang, 14-Sept-2001	

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1 - DMF Reviewed.

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2 - Type I DMF

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4 - Sufficient information in application

5 - Authority to reference not granted

6 - DMF not available

7 - Other (explain under "Comments")

<sup>2</sup> Adequate, Inadequate, or N/A (There is enough data in the application, therefore the DMF did not need to be reviewed)

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**B. Other Documents:** None

## 18. STATUS:

<b>CONSULTS/ CMC RELATED REVIEWS</b>	<b>RECOMMENDATION</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>REVIEWER/Comment</b>
Biometrics	N/A		
Devices (needle)	Acceptable	30-Mar-2004	V. Hibbard
EES	Acceptable	5-Nov-2003	J. Ambrogio
Pharm/Tox	Acceptable	4-Sept-2004	K. Raheja
Biopharmaceutics	Acceptable	1-Jul-2004	M-J Kim
LNC	N/A		
Methods Validation	N/A		The methods, which are the same as those for NDA 20-246, have been previously validated.
DMETS/DDMAC	Tradename of depo-subQ provera 104 is acceptable.		
EA	Categorical exclusion is granted.	22-Mar-2004	J. Salemme
Microbiology	Acceptable	16-Jan-2004 and 10-Feb-2004	B. Riley

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## Chemistry Review for NDA 21-584

### The Executive Summary

#### I. Recommendations

##### A. Recommendation and Conclusion on Approvability

From a CMC perspective, NDA 21-584 is recommended for approval.

##### B. Recommendation on Phase 4 (Post-Marketing) Commitments, Agreements, and/or Risk Management Steps, if Approvable

None.

#### II. Summary of Chemistry Assessments

##### A. Description of the Drug Product and Drug Substance

The drug product, depo-subQ provera 104 for subcutaneous (SC) injection, is a sterile, aqueous, injectable suspension of medroxyprogesterone acetate that is provided in a single-use, pre-filled syringe. The drug product contains the same active ingredient and excipients present in the approved product, Depo-Provera, a drug product that has been approved for use as a contraceptive for many years. Additionally, the drug product contains three additional excipients compared to Depo-Provera, which are povidone USP, methionine USP, and phosphate. The drug product complies with the current USP monograph for medroxyprogesterone acetate injectable suspension.

The drug product is administered by subcutaneous injection. One injection is effective for a three-month period

For the treatment of endometriosis pain, the drug product is typically used for a six month period.

The drug product, 104 mg in 0.65mL, is packaged in a single-use syringe with a glass barrel and a coated rubber plunger. The syringe is protected by a device designed to prevent needle-stick injuries, and is packaged with a short needle designed for subcutaneous injection. An expiration date of 36 months is approved for the drug product in the single-use syringe.

The quality of the drug product is adequately controlled by tests for

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The drug substance, medroxyprogesterone acetate, is a white, to almost white powder that is practically insoluble in water.

Medroxyprogesterone acetate is manufactured according to DMF — it is the same drug substance used in the approved product, Depo-Provera, and is controlled by same drug substance specification. The quality of the drug substance is adequately controlled by tests for —

### **B. Description of How the Drug Product is Intended to be Used**

The drug product is intended to be given once every three months by subcutaneous injection for the treatment of endometriosis pain.

### **C. Basis for Approvability or Not-Approval Recommendation**

Based on satisfactory CMC information reviewed in Chemistry Review #1 and Chemistry Review #2, NDA 21-584 is recommended for approval with the tradename, “depo-subQ provera 104.”

## **III. Administrative**

### **A. Reviewer's Signature**

J. Salemme, Ph.D., Chemistry Reviewer

### **B. Endorsement Block**

ChemistryTeamLeaderName/Date  
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# **NDA 21-584**

Tradename Under Review  
**(Medroxyprogesterone acetate,  
Sterile Injectable Suspension  
for subcutaneous injection)**

**Sponsor: Pfizer, Inc.**

**Chemistry Reviewer:  
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2. REVIEW #: 1
3. REVIEW DATE: 17-Sept-2004
4. REVIEWER: J. Salemme, Ph.D.
5. PREVIOUS DOCUMENTS: None
6. SUBMISSION(S) BEING REVIEWED:

<u>Electronic Submissions Reviewed</u>	<u>Document Date</u>
Original (21-584)	17-Dec-2003
Amendment - samples	23-Feb-2004
Amendment (21-583)- needle information	10-Mar-2004
Amendment - labeling	20-May-2004
Amendment (21-583) – labeling	21-May-2004
Amendment – change in drug substance specification	25-May-2004
Amendment - needle change proposal	15-Jun-2004

7. NAME & ADDRESS OF APPLICANT:

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Representative: Kalamazoo, MI 49001-0199

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Telephone:

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### 8. DRUG PRODUCT NAME/CODE/TYPE:

- a) Proprietary Name: Tradename under review  
b) Non-Proprietary Name: Medroxyprogesterone acetate injectable suspension  
c) Code Name/# (ONDC only): PNU 8836  
d) Chem. Type/Submission Priority (ONDC only):  
• Chem. Type: 3  
• Submission Priority: S

### 9. LEGAL BASIS FOR SUBMISSION: N/A

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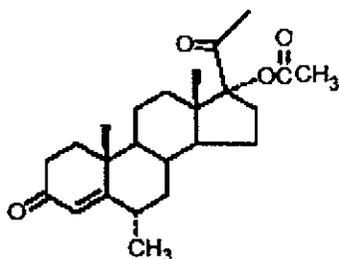
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## The Chemistry Review for NDA 21-584

### The Executive Summary

#### I. Recommendations

##### A. Recommendation and Conclusion on Approvability

From a CMC perspective, this NDA is recommended for approval once the labeling is finalized.

##### B. Recommendation on Phase 4 (Post-Marketing) Commitments, Agreements, and/or Risk Management Steps, if Approvable

None.

#### II. Summary of Chemistry Assessments

##### A. Description of the Drug Product and Drug Substance

The drug product, medroxyprogesterone acetate, sterile injectable suspension for subcutaneous (SC) injection, is a sterile, aqueous, injectable suspension of medroxyprogesterone acetate that is provided in a single-use, pre-filled syringe. The drug product has slightly different formulation from the approved product, Depo-Provera (3-month contraceptive), in that three additional excipients, povidone USP, methionine USP, and phosphate — are present. The drug product complies with the current USP monograph for medroxyprogesterone acetate injectable suspension.

The drug product is administered by subcutaneous injection. One injection is effective for a three-month period. The duration of action over a three-month period is due to the slow absorption of the relatively insoluble medroxyprogesterone acetate drug substance from the injection site, —

The drug product, 104 mg in 0.65mL, is packaged in a single-use syringe with a glass barrel and a coated rubber plunger. The syringe is protected by a device designed to prevent needle-stick injuries. The syringe is packaged with a short needle designed for subcutaneous injection. An expiration date of — is granted for the drug product in the single-use syringe.

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### Executive Summary Section

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#### **B. Description of How the Drug Product is Intended to be Used**

The drug product is intended for treatment of endometriosis pain. A typical length of treatment for this indication is six months.

#### **C. Basis for Approvability or Not-Approval Recommendation**

The entire CMC submission for NDA 21-584 is identical to that submitted previously for NDA 21-583. From a CMC perspective, both NDAs can be approved once the labeling for each indication is finalized.

All of the chemistry deficiencies conveyed to the sponsor during the review cycle for NDA 21-583 have been adequately addressed. The Office of Compliance has recommended the manufacturing sites for approval. The manufacturing and controls with regard to sterility assurance have been reviewed by the Microbiologist reviewer and found to be acceptable.

### **III. Administrative**

#### **A. Reviewer's Signature**

J. Salemme, Ph.D., Chemistry Reviewer, HFD-580

#### **B. Endorsement Block**

ChemistryTeamLeaderName/Date  
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Moo-Jhong Rhee, Ph.D.  
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**ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT  
CLAIM FOR A CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION**

**NDA 21-584**

Under the provisions of 21 CFR 25.31(b), action on an NDA is categorically excluded and, therefore, ordinarily does not require the preparation of an Environmental Assessment (EA) or an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) if the action increases the use of the active moiety, but the estimated concentration of the substance at the point of entry into the aquatic environment will be below 1 part per billion. The total planned usage of Depo-Provera (medroxyprogesterone acetate) is estimated to be at levels where the aquatic concentration is estimated to be under a concentration of 1 part per billion. To the best knowledge of Pharmacia & Upjohn, the applicant is not aware of the existence of any extraordinary circumstances that would require the preparation of an Environmental Assessment. Also, Pharmacia & Upjohn do not have any information to indicate that Depo-Provera may be toxic to organisms in the environment at the expected levels of exposure. Pharmacia & Upjohn claim a categorical exclusion to the EA requirements in accordance with 21 CFR 25.31(b).

**1. Date**

November 25, 2003

**2. Name of Applicant**

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Kalamazoo, Michigan 49001-0199

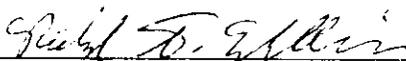
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**3. List of Preparers**

Richard T. Williams, Ph.D. Asst. Director, Environmental Sciences	Ph.D. in Microbiology with twenty- one years in chemical fate and effect evaluations, EHS, and regulatory compliance.
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**4. Certification**

The undersigned certifies that the information presented is true, accurate, and complete to the best knowledge of Pharmacia & Upjohn.

  
Richard T. Williams, Ph.D.

1 December 2003  
Date

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