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*APPLICATION NUMBER:*

**200740Orig1s000**

**MICROBIOLOGY REVIEW(S)**

# Product Quality Microbiology Review

20 August 2012

**NDA:** 200-740

**Drug Product Name**

**Proprietary:** Cystaran  
**Non-proprietary:** Cysteamine Hydrochloride  
Ophthalmic Solution

**Review Number:** 2

**Dates of Submission(s) Covered by this Review**

Submit	Received	Review Request	Assigned to Reviewer
30 March 2012	2 April 2012	2 April 2012	4 April 2012
3 August 2012	3 August 2012	N/A	N/A

**Submission History (for amendments only):**

Submit Date(s)	Microbiology Review #	Review Date(s)
4 March 2010	1	29 July 2010
28 July 2010	1	29 July 2010

**Applicant/Sponsor**

**Name:** Sigma-Tau Pharmaceuticals, Inc.  
**Address:** 9841 Washington, Blvd., Suite 500  
Gaithersburg, MD 20878

**Representative:** Gianfranco Fornasini, Ph.D.  
**Telephone:** 301-670-2192

**Name of Reviewer:** Stephen E. Langille, Ph.D.

**Conclusion:** Recommended for approval

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## Product Quality Microbiology Data Sheet

- A.**
- 1. TYPE OF SUBMISSION:** 505b(2) application resubmission
  - 2. SUBMISSION PROVIDES FOR:** New topical ophthalmic drug product
  - 3. MANUFACTURING SITE:**  
Hi-Tech Pharmacal Co. Inc.  
26 Edison St.  
Amityville, NY 11701  
  
Sigma-Tau PharmaSource, Inc.  
6925 Guion Road  
Indianapolis, IN 46268  
FDA FEI 1835063
  - 4. DOSAGE FORM, ROUTE OF ADMINISTRATION AND STRENGTH/POTENCY:**
    - Sterile ophthalmic solution in (b) (4) multiple dose droptainers
    - 0.65%
    - Topical
  - 5. METHOD(S) OF STERILIZATION:** (b) (4)
  - 6. PHARMACOLOGICAL CATEGORY:** Treatment of corneal cystine crystal accumulation in cyctinosis patients.
- B. SUPPORTING/RELATED DOCUMENTS:** The first product quality microbiology review of NDA 200-740 completed on 29 July 2010.
- C. REMARKS:** The NDA was submitted in eCTD format. Although the first product quality microbiology review of NDA 200-740 recommended approval, a Complete Response Letter was issued for the original submission due to issues with the drug product and drug substance manufacturing sites. The applicant will retain the drug product manufacturing site recommended for approval in the first product quality microbiology review and add a second drug product manufacturing site, Sigma-Tau PharmaSource, Inc. The following information request was sent to the applicant on 23 July 2012:

*1. Provide the results of minimum and maximum equipment load validation studies conducted in the (b) (4)*

(b) (4)

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3. Provide the <sup>(b) (4)</sup> bioburden limit for Cystaran.

4. Provide the type(s) of microbiological media and the post-sampling incubation conditions used for <sup>(b) (4)</sup> bioburden testing.

Responses to these requests were provided by the applicant in an amendment dated 3 August 2012.

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## **Executive Summary**

### **I. Recommendations**

- A. Recommendation on Approvability -**  
NDA 200-740 is recommended for approval from the standpoint of product quality microbiology
- B. Recommendations on Phase 4 Commitments and/or Agreements, if Approvable -**  
Not applicable

### **II. Summary of Microbiology Assessments**

- A. Brief Description of the Manufacturing Processes that relate to Product Quality Microbiology -**  
The drug product is (b) (4)
- B. Brief Description of Microbiology Deficiencies -**  
No product quality microbiology deficiencies were identified based upon the information provided.
- C. Assessment of Risk Due to Microbiology Deficiencies -**  
Not applicable

### **III. Administrative**

- A. Reviewer's Signature** \_\_\_\_\_  
Stephen E. Langille, Ph.D.  
Senior Microbiology Reviewer
- B. Endorsement Block**  
John Metcalfe, Ph.D. – Senior Microbiology Reviewer
- C. CC Block**  
N/A

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STEPHEN E LANGILLE  
08/20/2012

JOHN W METCALFE  
08/20/2012  
I concur.

## PRODUCT QUALITY MICROBIOLOGY FILING CHECKLIST

**NDA Number:** 200740

**Applicant:** Sigma Tau  
Pharmaceuticals

**Letter Date:** 3/30/2012

**Drug Name:** Cystaran<sup>®</sup>

**NDA Type:** Resubmission

**Stamp Date:** 4/2/2012

The following are necessary to initiate a review of the NDA application:

	Content Parameter	Yes	No	Comments
1	Is the product quality microbiology information described in the NDA and organized in a manner to allow substantive review to begin? Is it legible, indexed, and/or paginated adequately?	X		Section 3.3 and 3.5
2	Has the applicant submitted an overall description of the manufacturing processes and microbiological controls used in the manufacture of the drug product?	X		Section 3.3
3	Has the applicant submitted protocols and results of validation studies concerning microbiological control processes used in the manufacture of the drug product?	X		Section 3.5
4	Are any study reports or published articles in a foreign language? If yes, has the translated version been included in the submission for review?		X	
5	Has the applicant submitted preservative effectiveness studies (if applicable) and container-closure integrity studies?	X		Section 2.5
6	Has the applicant submitted microbiological specifications for the drug product and a description of the test methods?	X		Sections 5.1 and 5.2
7	Has the applicant submitted the results of analytical method verification studies?	X		Section 5.3
8	Has the applicant submitted all special/critical studies/data requested during pre-submission meetings and/or discussions?	X		No such studies or data were requested from the NDMS.
9	Is this NDA fileable? If not, then describe why.	X		

Additional Comments: The original submission of NDA 200740 was recommended for approval by the NDMS in July of 2010. A CR letter was issued because the drug substance and drug product manufacturing facilities were not cGMP compliant. The 3/30/2012 resubmission of NDA 200740 provides for additional drug substance and drug product manufacturing sites. The drug product manufacturing site proposed in the original submission, Hi-Tech Pharmaco Co. Inc., will also be used to manufacture the drug product. The applicant did not provide updated information to support the use of Hi-Tech Pharmaco Co. Inc. for the manufacture of Cystaran<sup>®</sup> but did provide additional information to support the use of the alternate facility, Sigma-Tau PharmaSource Inc. Because the product quality microbiology information associated with Hi-Tech Pharmaco Co. Inc. was

recommended for approval by the NDMS less than two years ago, this submission approach is acceptable.

<u>Stephen E, Langille Ph.D.</u>	<u>4/10/2012</u>
Reviewing Microbiologist	Date
<u>John Metcalfe, Ph.D.</u>	<u>4/10/12</u>
Microbiology Secondary Reviewer	Date



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STEPHEN E LANGILLE  
04/11/2012

JOHN W METCALFE  
04/11/2012  
I concur.

# Product Quality Microbiology Review

29 July 2010

**NDA:** 200-740

**Drug Product Name**

**Proprietary:**

Cystoran

**Non-proprietary:**

Cysteamine Hydrochloride  
Ophthalmic Solution

**Review Number:** 1

**Dates of Submission(s) Covered by this Review**

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28 July 2010	28 July 2010	N/A	N/A

**Submission History (for amendments only):** Not applicable

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26 Edison St.  
Amityville, NY 11701
  4. **DOSAGE FORM, ROUTE OF ADMINISTRATION AND STRENGTH/POTENCY:**
    - Sterile ophthalmic solution
    - 0.65%
    - Topical
  5. **METHOD(S) OF STERILIZATION:** (b) (4)
  6. **PHARMACOLOGICAL CATEGORY:** Treatment of corneal cystine crystal accumulation in cychinosis patients.
- B. **SUPPORTING/RELATED DOCUMENTS:** Not applicable
- C. **REMARKS:** The NDA was submitted in eCTD format.

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**Executive Summary**

**I. Recommendations**

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Not applicable

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Stephen E. Langille, Ph.D.
- B. Endorsement Block**  
James McVey – Team Leader
- C. CC Block**  
N/A

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Application Type/Number	Submission Type/Number	Submitter Name	Product Name
NDA-200740	ORIG-1	SIGMA TAU PHARMACEUTICA LS INC	(Cysteamine hydrochloride ophthalmic solution) 0.65% Sterile

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STEPHEN E LANGILLE  
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JAMES L MCVEY  
08/03/2010  
I concur.