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**Application Number** 21-038

**PHARMACOLOGY REVIEW(S)**

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DRUG NAME: Precedex (dexmedetomidine hcl injection)

APPLICANT: ABBOTT LABORATORIES

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12/28/99

CHEMICAL & THERAPEUTIC CLASS:1S

### Review Cycles

<b>Review Cycle: 1</b> <b>Submission Date:12-18-98</b> <b>Receipt Date:12-18-98</b> <b>Goal Date:12-18-99</b> <b>Action:AP</b>	<b>Review Cycle: 2</b> <b>Submission Date:</b> <b>Receipt Date:</b> <b>Goal Date:</b> <b>Action:</b>
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Volume 4 of 4

Administrative volume #(s): 1

Clinical volume #(s): 2

CMC volume #(s): 3

Pharmacology/Toxicology volume #(s): 4

## ODE II ACTION PACKAGE TABLE OF CONTENTS

Application #21-038

Drug Name: Precedex (dexmedetomidine Hydrochloride injection), 2 mL ampule/2 mL vial, 100 mcg/mL

Applicant: Abbott Laboratories

Chem./Ther. Type: 1S

CSO/PM: Susmita Samanta

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Original Application Date: December 18, 1998 Original Receipt Date: December 18, 1998

**CURRENT USER FEE GOAL DATE: December 18, 1999** Date Table of Contents Completed: 9/13/99

**Section A:**

**Administrative Information**

X (completed),  
N/A (not applicable),  
or Comment

Tab A-1	Action Letter(s)	Current Action: AP _____	X
Tab A-2	Phase 4 Commitments:		
	a. Copy of applicants communication committing to Phase 4 .....		NA
	b. Agency Correspondence requesting Phase 4 Commitments .....		NA
Tab A-3	FDA revised Labels & Labeling and Reviews: (Separate each version/cycle with a colored sheet)		
	a. Package Insert .....		X
	b. Immediate Container and Carton Labels .....		NA
Tab A-4	Original Proposed Labeling .....		X
Tab A-5	Foreign Labeling:		
	a. Foreign Marketing History .....		NA
	b. Foreign Labeling and Review(s) .....		NA
Tab A-6	Labeling and Nomenclature Committee's Tradename Review .....		X
Tab A-7	Summary Memoranda (e.g., Division Director, Group Leader, Office) .....		X
Tab A-8	Copy of Patent Statement .....		X
	Exclusivity Checklist (and any requests for exclusivity) .....		X
	Debarment Statements .....		X
Tab A-9	Correspondences, Faxes, & Telecons .....		X
Tab A-10	Minutes of Meetings:		
	a. End-of-Phase II meeting .....		NA
	b. Pre-NDA meeting(s) .....		NA
	c. Filing meeting .....		X
	d. Other meetings .....		X
Tab A-11	Advisory Committee Meeting:		
	a. Questions Considered by the committee .....		NA
	b. List of Attendees .....		NA
	c. 24 hour alert memorandum .....		NA

**ODE II ACTION PACKAGE TABLE OF CONTENTS (continued)**

Application #21-038 Drug Name: Dexmedetomidine HCL

**Section B:**

**Clinical Information**

X (completed),  
N/A (not applicable),  
or Comment

Tab B-1	Clinical Reviews and Memoranda .....	X
Tab B-2	Safety Update Reviews .....	X
Tab B-3	Pediatric Page .....	X
Tab B-4	Statistical (Clinical) Review and Memoranda .....	X
Tab B-5	Biopharmaceutics Review and Memoranda .....	X
Tab B-6	Abuse Liability Review .....	X
Tab B-7	DSI Audits .....	X
Tab B-8	Summary of Efficacy (from the summary volume of the application) .....	NA
Tab B-9	Summary of Safety (from the summary volume of the application) .....	NA

**Section C:**

**Chemistry, Manufacturing, and Controls (CMC) Information**

X (completed),  
N/A (not applicable),  
or Comment

Tab C-1	CMC Reviews and Memoranda .....	X
Tab C-2	DMF Reviews .....	X
Tab C-3	EA Reviews/FONSI .....	X
Tab C-4	Micro Review (validation of sterilization) .....	X
Tab C-5	Statistical Review of drug stability .....	NA
Tab C-6	Inspection of facilities => Decision: _____ Date: _____	X
Tab C-7	Methods Validation Information .....	PENDING

**Section D:**

**Pharmacology/Toxicology Information**

X (completed),  
N/A (not applicable),  
or Comment

Tab D-1	Pharmacology/Toxicology Reviews and Memoranda .....	X
Tab D-2	Carcinogenicity Review (statistical) .....	NA
Tab D-3	CAC/Executive Committee Report .....	NA

ADDITIONAL NOTES:



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## MEMORANDUM

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DATE: November 30, 1999  
TO: Dr. Cynthia McCormick  
FROM: Dr. Lucy Jean 151  
RE: Team Leader's Summary of NDA 21-038

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**Introduction:** Dexmedetomidine HCl (DEX) is a potent (7x clonidine), and selective  $\alpha_2$ -agonist. The drug is to be marketed as a parenteral solution (Trade name) for intravenous infusion. The indication is for supplemental sedation and/or analgesia in ICU for up to 24 hours. The recommended doses are a loading dose of  $1 \mu\text{g}/\text{kg}$  over 10 minutes, followed by a maintenance infusion of 0.2 to  $0.7 \mu\text{g}/\text{kg}/\text{hr}$  to the desired level of sedation and/or analgesia.

**Efficacy:** In the CNS via  $\alpha_2$ -agonist activity, DEX produces sedation, analgesia and reduced anxiety. The sedative/hypnotic ( $10\text{-}30 \mu\text{g}/\text{kg}$  iv), analgesic ( $3\text{-}6 \mu\text{g}/\text{kg}$  iv) and anxiolytic ( $0.3\text{-}2 \mu\text{g}/\text{kg}$  iv) effects were shown in mice and rats; and in dogs the sedative/hypnotic effects as well. No anticonvulsant activity was shown. In rats ( $3 \mu\text{g}/\text{kg}$  i.v.) DEX reduced ischemic brain damage.

**Safety pharmacology:** The  $\alpha_2$ -agonist inhibits the release of norepinephrine at neurons. Thus DEX, via its  $\alpha_2$ -agonist activity in the CNS, inhibits sympathetic activity resulting in decreases of blood pressure and heart rate. The CV effects of dec BP & HR were observed in rats, dogs and monkeys. In dogs ( $1 \mu\text{g}/\text{kg}$  iv), decreases of the heart rate, myocardial contractility, CO, and oxygen demand by the heart (increased AV  $\text{O}_2$  saturation) were observed. Similar to some of the imidazole-derivates of intravenous anesthetics, suppression of the HPA was observed only following prolonged infusion. In dogs prolonged sc infusion ( $10 \mu\text{g}/\text{kg}/\text{hr}$  for 7 days) of DEX decreased the ACTH-stimulated cortisol level by 40%, but no effect was observed following single sc dose of

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