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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

Prior to examining the above-referenced application, please amend the specification as described on page 2 of this paper, and please amend the claims as described on pages 3-6 of this paper. Remarks follow on page 7.

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Amendments to the Specification

Please replace page 1, lines 5-10 of the specification filed herewith with the following amended paragraph:

This application is a continuation of copending U.S. Application Serial No. 11/897,177, filed August 28, 2007, which is a continuation of U.S. Application Serial No. 10/927,857, filed August 27, 2004, now abandoned, which claimed the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/503,137 filed September 15, 2003, which ~~is~~ are incorporated in ~~its~~ their entirety herein by reference.

Please replace page 4, line 25 – page 5, line 3 of the specification filed herewith with the following amended paragraph:

The present methods are useful in treating any suitable condition which is therapeutically sensitive to or treatable with cyclosporin components. Such conditions preferably are ophthalmic or ocular conditions, that is relating to or having to do with one or more parts of an eye of a human or animal. Included among such conditions are, without limitation, dry eye syndrome, phacoanaphylactic endophthalmitis, uveitis, vernal conjunctivitis, atopic keratoconjunctivitis, corneal graft rejection and the like conditions. The present invention is particularly effective in treating dry eye syndrome. Cyclosporin has been found as effective in treating immune medicated keratoconjunctivitis sicca (KCS or dry eye disease) in a patient suffering therefrom. The activity of cyclosporins is as an immunosuppressant and in the enhancement or restoring of lacrimal gland tearing. Other conditions that can be treated with cyclosporin components include an absolute or partial deficiency in aqueous tear production (keratoconjunctivitis sicca, or KCS). Topical administration to a patient's tear deficient eye can increase tear production in the eye. The treatment can further serve to correct corneal and conjunctival disorders exacerbated by tear deficiency and KCS, such as corneal scarring, corneal ulceration, inflammation of the cornea or conjunctiva, filamentary keratitis, mucopurulent discharge and vascularization of the cornea.

Amendments to the claims

The following list of claims will replace all previous versions of claims presented in this application:

1. – 36. (Canceled)
37. (New) A topical ophthalmic emulsion for treating an eye of a human having KCS, wherein the topical ophthalmic emulsion comprises cyclosporin A in an amount of about 0.05% by weight, polysorbate 80, Pemulen, water, and castor oil in an amount of about 1.25% by weight; and
wherein the topical ophthalmic emulsion is therapeutically effective in treating KCS.
38. (New) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 37, wherein the topical ophthalmic emulsion further comprises a tonicity agent or a demulcent component.
39. (New) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 38, wherein the tonicity agent or the demulcent component is glycerine.
40. (New) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 37, wherein the topical ophthalmic emulsion further comprises a buffer.
41. (New) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 40, wherein the buffer is sodium hydroxide.
42. (New) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 37, wherein the topical ophthalmic emulsion further comprises glycerine and a buffer.
43. (New) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 37, wherein the topical ophthalmic emulsion comprises polysorbate 80 in an amount of about 1.0% by weight.

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44. (New) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 37, wherein the topical ophthalmic emulsion comprises Pemulen in an amount of about 0.05% by weight.

45. (New) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 37, wherein the topical ophthalmic emulsion further comprises glycerine in an amount of about 2.2% by weight, water, and a buffer.

46. (New) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 45, wherein the buffer is sodium hydroxide.

47. (New) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 37, wherein, when the topical ophthalmic emulsion is administered to an eye of a human in an effective amount in treating KCS, the blood of the human has substantially no detectable concentration of cyclosporin A.

48. (New) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 42, wherein the topical ophthalmic emulsion has a pH in the range of about 7.2 to about 7.6.

49. (New) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 37, wherein the topical ophthalmic emulsion is as substantially therapeutically effective as an emulsion comprising cyclosporin A in an amount of 0.1% by weight and castor oil in an amount of 1.25% by weight.

50. (New) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 37, wherein the topical ophthalmic emulsion achieves at least as much therapeutic effectiveness as an emulsion comprising cyclosporin A in an amount of 0.1% by weight and castor oil in an amount of 1.25% by weight.

51. (New) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 37, wherein the topical ophthalmic emulsion breaks down more quickly in the eye of a human, once administered to the eye of the human, thereby reducing vision distortion in the eye of the human as compared to an emulsion that contains only 50% as much castor oil.

52. (New) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 37, wherein the topical ophthalmic emulsion, when administered to the eye of a human, demonstrates a reduction in adverse events

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in the human, relative to an emulsion comprising cyclosporin A in an amount of 0.1% by weight and castor oil in an amount of 1.25% by weight.

53. (New) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 52, wherein the adverse events include side effects.

54. (New) A topical ophthalmic emulsion for treating an eye of a human, wherein the topical ophthalmic emulsion increases tear production in the eye of a human, and wherein the topical ophthalmic emulsion comprises:

- cyclosporin A in an amount of about 0.05% by weight;
- castor oil in an amount of about 1.25% by weight;
- polysorbate 80 in an amount of about 1.0% by weight;
- Pemulen in an amount of about 0.05% by weight;
- a tonicity component or a demulcent component in an amount of about 2.2% by weight;
- a buffer; and
- water.

55. (New) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 54, wherein the buffer is sodium hydroxide.

56. (New) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 54, wherein the tonicity component or the demulcent component is glycerine.

57. (New) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 54, wherein, when the topical ophthalmic emulsion is administered to an eye of a human in an effective amount to increase tear production, the blood of the human has substantially no detectable concentration of the cyclosporin A.

58. (New) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 54, wherein the topical ophthalmic emulsion has a pH in the range of about 7.2 to about 7.6.

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59. (New) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 54, wherein the topical ophthalmic emulsion is effective in treating KCS.

60. (New) A topical ophthalmic emulsion for treating an eye of a human, the topical ophthalmic emulsion comprising:

cyclosporin A in an amount of about 0.05% by weight;

castor oil in an amount of about 1.25% by weight;

polysorbate 80 in an amount of about 1.0% by weight;

Pemulen in an amount of about 0.05% by weight;

glycerine in an amount of about 2.2% by weight;

sodium hydroxide; and

water;

wherein the emulsion is effective in treating KCS.

61. (New) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 60, wherein the topical ophthalmic emulsion has a pH in the range of about 7.2 to about 7.6.

REMARKS

The applicants have canceled claims 1-36 and have added claims 37-61. Support for the limitations recited in the new claims may be found throughout the specification, and at least at page 4, line 25 – page 5, line 14, page 26, lines 5-19, and page 27, lines 4-31 of the application specification filed herewith.

Support for the amendment to the specification at page 4, line 25 – page 5, line 3 may be found, at least, in U.S. Patent Nos. 5,474,979 and 6,254,860, which were previously incorporated by reference in the present application specification at page 1, lines 18-21. The amendment contains no new matter.

The claims of the present application may vary in scope from the claims pursued in the parent applications. To the extent any prior amendments or characterizations of the scope of any claim, or the specification, or referenced art could be construed as a disclaimer of any subject matter supported by the present disclosure, the Applicants hereby rescind and retract such disclaimer.

Specifically, the Applicants would like to bring to the Examiner's attention comments made in the Response filed on June 15, 2009 in U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/927,857 (now abandoned) and comments made in the Amendment filed on June 15, 2009 in U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 11/897,177 (currently pending) regarding U.S. Patent No. 5,474,979 and the present application specification. Since these comments have been filed, the Applicants have collected evidence that supports the patentability of the pending claims.

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METHODS OF PROVIDING THERAPEUTIC EFFECTS
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5 Related Application

This application is a continuation of U.S. Application Serial No. 10/927,857, filed August 27, 2004, which claimed the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/503,137 filed September 15, 2003, which is incorporated in its
10 entirety herein by reference.

Background of the Invention

The present invention relates to methods of providing desired therapeutic effects to humans or animals using
15 compositions including cyclosporin components. More particularly, the invention relates to methods including administering to an eye of a human or animal a therapeutically effective amount of a cyclosporin component to provide a desired therapeutic effect, preferably a
20 desired ophthalmic or ocular therapeutic effect.

The use of cyclosporin-A and cyclosporin A derivatives to treat ophthalmic conditions has been the subject of various patents, for example Ding et al U.S. Patent 5,474,979; Garst U.S. Patent 6,254,860; and Garst U.S.
25 6,350,442, this disclosure of each of which is incorporated in its entirety herein by reference. In addition, cyclosporin A compositions used in treating ophthalmic conditions is the subject of a number of publications. Such publications include, for example, "Blood
30 concentrations of cyclosporin a during long-term treatment with cyclosporin a ophthalmic emulsions in patients with moderate to severe dry eye disease," Small et al, *J Ocul Pharmacol Ther*, 2002 Oct, 18(5):411-8; "Distribution of

cyclosporin A in ocular tissues after topical administration to albino rabbits and beagle dogs," Acheampong et al, *Curr Eye Res*, 1999 Feb, 18(2):91-103b; "Cyclosporine distribution into the conjunctiva, cornea, lacrimal gland, and systemic blood following topical dosing of cyclosporine to rabbit, dog, and human eyes," Acheampong et al, *Adv Exp Med Biol*, 1998, 438:1001-4; "Preclinical safety studies of cyclosporine ophthalmic emulsion," Angelov et al, *Adv Exp Med Biol*, 1998, 438:991-5; "Cyclosporin & Emulsion & Eye," Stevenson et al, *Ophthalmology*, 2000 May, 107(5):967-74; and "Two multicenter, randomized studies of the efficacy and safety of cyclosporine ophthalmic emulsion in moderate to severe dry eye disease. CsA Phase 3 Study Group," Sall et al, *Ophthalmology*, 2000 Apr, 107(4):631-9. Each of these publications is incorporated in its entirety herein by reference. In addition, cyclosporin A-containing oil-in-water emulsions have been clinically tested, under conditions of confidentiality, since the mid 1990's in order to obtain U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regulatory approval.

Examples of useful cyclosporin A-containing emulsions are set out in Ding et al U.S. Patent 5,474,979. Example 1 of this patent shows a series of emulsions in which the ratio of cyclosporin A to castor oil in each of these compositions was 0.08 or greater, except for Composition B, which included 0.2% by weight cyclosporin A and 5% by weight castor oil. The Ding et al patent placed no significance in Composition B relative to Compositions A, C and D of Example 1.

Over time, it has become apparent that cyclosporin A emulsions for ophthalmic use preferably have less than 0.2%

by weight of cyclosporin A. With cyclosporin A concentrations less than 0.2%, the amount of castor oil employed has been reduced since one of the functions of the castor oil is to solubilize the cyclosporin A. Thus, if
5 reduced amounts of cyclosporin are employed, reduced amounts of castor oil are needed to provide effective solubilization of cyclosporin A.

There continues to be a need for providing enhanced methods of treating ophthalmic or ocular conditions with
10 cyclosporin-containing emulsions.

Summary of the Invention

New methods of treating a human or animal using cyclosporin component-containing emulsions have been
15 discovered. Such methods provide substantial overall efficacy in providing desired therapeutic effects. In addition, other important benefits are obtained employing the present methods. For example, patient safety is enhanced. In particular, the present methods provide for
20 reduced risks of side effects and/or drug interactions. Prescribing physicians advantageously have increased flexibility in prescribing such methods and the compositions useful in such methods, for example, because of the reduced risks of harmful side effects and/or drug
25 interactions. The present methods can be easily practiced.

In short, the present methods provide substantial and acceptable overall efficacy, together with other advantages, such as increased safety and/or flexibility.

In one aspect of the present invention, the present
30 methods comprise administering to an eye of a human or animal a composition in the form of an emulsion comprising water, a hydrophobic component and a cyclosporin component

in a therapeutically effective amount of less than 0.1% by weight of the composition. The weight ratio of the cyclosporin component to the hydrophobic component is less than 0.08.

5 It has been found that the relatively increased amounts of hydrophobic component together with relatively reduced, yet therapeutically effective, amounts of cyclosporin component provide substantial and advantageous benefits. For example, the overall efficacy of the present
10 compositions, for example in treating dry eye disease, is substantially equal to an identical composition in which the cyclosporin component is present in an amount of 0.1% by weight. Further, a relatively high concentration of hydrophobic component is believed to provide for a more
15 quick or rapid breaking down or resolving of the emulsion in the eye, which reduces vision distortion which may be caused by the presence of the emulsion in the eye and/or facilitates the therapeutic effectiveness of the composition. Additionally, and importantly, using reduced
20 amounts of the active cyclosporin component mitigates against undesirable side effects and/or potential drug interactions.

In short, the present invention provides at least one advantageous benefit, and preferably a plurality of
25 advantageous benefits.

The present methods are useful in treating any suitable condition which is therapeutically sensitive to or treatable with cyclosporin components. Such conditions preferably are ophthalmic or ocular conditions, that is
30 relating to or having to do with one or more parts of an eye of a human or animal. Included among such conditions are, without limitation, dry eye syndrome,

phacoanaphylactic endophthalmitis, uveitis, vernal conjunctivitis, atopic kerapoconjunctivitis, corneal graft rejection and the like conditions. The present invention is particularly effective in treating dry eye syndrome.

5 Employing reduced concentrations of cyclosporin component, as in the present invention, is advantageously effective to provide the blood of the human or animal under treatment with reduced concentrations of cyclosporin component, preferably with substantially no detectable
10 concentration of the cyclosporin component. The cyclosporin component concentration of blood can be advantageously measured using a validated liquid chromatography/mass spectrometry-mass spectrometry (VLC/MS-MS) analytical method, such as described elsewhere herein.

15 In one embodiment, in the present methods the blood of the human or animal has concentrations of cyclosporin component of 0.1 ng/ml or less.

Any suitable cyclosporin component effective in the present methods may be used.

20 Cyclosporins are a group of nonpolar cyclic oligopeptides with known immunosuppressant activity. Cyclosporin A, along with several other minor metabolites, cyclosporin B through I, have been identified. In addition, a number of synthetic analogs have been prepared.

25 In general, commercially available cyclosporins may contain a mixture of several individual cyclosporins which all share a cyclic peptide structure consisting of eleven amino acid residues with a total molecular weight of about 1,200, but with different substituents or configurations of
30 some of the amino acids.

The term "cyclosporin component" as used herein is intended to include any individual member of the

cyclosporin group and derivatives thereof, as well as mixtures of two or more individual cyclosporins and derivatives thereof.

Particularly preferred cyclosporin components include, without limitation, cyclosporin A, derivatives of cyclosporin A and the like and mixtures thereof. Cyclosporin A is an especially useful cyclosporin component.

Any suitable hydrophobic component may be employed in the present invention. Advantageously, the cyclosporin component is solubilized in the hydrophobic component. The hydrophobic component may be considered as comprising a discontinuous phase in the presently useful cyclosporin component-containing emulsions.

The hydrophobic component preferably is present in the emulsion compositions in an amount greater than about 0.625% by weight. For example, the hydrophobic component may be present in an amount of up to about 1.0% by weight or about 1.5% by weight or more of the composition.

Preferably, the hydrophobic component comprises one or more oily materials. Examples of useful oil materials include, without limitation, vegetable oils, animal oils, mineral oils, synthetic oils and the like and mixtures thereof. In a very useful embodiment, the hydrophobic component comprises one or more higher fatty acid glycerides. Excellent results are obtained when the hydrophobic component comprises castor oil.

The presently useful compositions may include one or more other components in amounts effective to facilitate the usefulness and effectiveness of the compositions. Examples of such other components include, without limitation, emulsifier components, tonicity components,

polyelectrolyte components, surfactant components, viscosity inducing components, acids and/or bases to adjust the pH of the composition, buffer components, preservative components and the like. Components may be employed which are effective to perform two or more functions in the presently useful compositions. For example, components which are effective as both emulsifiers and surfactants may be employed, and/or components which are effective as both polyelectrolyte components and viscosity inducing components may be employed. The specific composition chosen for use in the present invention advantageously is selected taking into account various factors present in the specific application at hand, for example, the desired therapeutic effect to be achieved, the desired properties of the compositions to be employed, the sensitivities of the human or animal to whom the composition is to be administered, and the like factors.

The presently useful compositions advantageously are ophthalmically acceptable. A composition, component or material is ophthalmically acceptable when it is compatible with ocular tissue, that is, it does not cause significant or undue detrimental effects when brought into contact with ocular tissues.

Such compositions have pH's within the physiological range of about 6 to about 10, preferably in a range of about 7.0 to about 8.0 and more preferably in a range of about 7.2 to about 7.6.

The present methods preferably provide for an administering step comprising topically administering the presently useful compositions to the eye or eyes of a human or animal.

Each and every feature described herein, and each and

every combination of two or more of such features, is included within the scope of the present invention provided that the features included in such a combination are not mutually inconsistent.

5 These and other aspects and advantages of the present invention are apparent in the following detailed description, example and claims.

Detailed Description

10 The present methods are effective for treating an eye of a human or animal. Such methods, in general, comprise administering, preferably topically administering, to an eye of a human or animal a cyclosporin component-containing emulsion. The emulsion contains water, for example U.S.
15 pure water, a hydrophobic component and a cyclosporin component in a therapeutically effective amount of less than 0.1% by weight of the emulsion. In addition, beneficial results have been found when the weight ratio of the cyclosporin component to the hydrophobic component is
20 less than 0.08.

 As noted above, the present administering step preferably includes topically administering the emulsion to the eye of a patient of a human or animal. Such administering may involve a single use of the presently
25 useful compositions, or repeated or periodic use of such compositions, for example, as required or desired to achieve the therapeutic effect to be obtained. The topical administration of the presently useful composition may involve providing the composition in the form of eye drops
30 or similar form or other form so as to facilitate such topical administration.

 The present methods have been found to be very

effective in providing the desired therapeutic effect or effects while, at the same time, substantially reducing, or even substantially eliminating, side effects which may result from the presence of the cyclosporin component in the blood of the human or animal being treated, and eye irritation which, in the past, has been caused by the presence of certain components in prior art cyclosporin-containing emulsions. Also, the use of the present compositions which include reduced amounts of the cyclosporin components allow for more frequent administration of the present compositions to achieve the desired therapeutic effect or effects without substantially increasing the risk of side effects and/or eye irritation.

The present methods are useful in treating any condition which is therapeutically sensitive to or treatable with cyclosporin components. Such conditions preferably are ophthalmic or ocular conditions, that is relating to or having to do with one or more parts of an eye of a human or animal. Included among such conditions are, without limitation, dry eye syndrome, phacoanaphylactic endophthalmitis, uveitis, vernal conjunctivitis, atopic kerapoconjunctivitis, corneal graft rejection and the like conditions. The present invention is particularly effective in treating dry eye syndrome.

The frequency of administration and the amount of the presently useful composition to use during each administration varies depending upon the therapeutic effect to be obtained, the severity of the condition being treated and the like factors. The presently useful compositions are designed to allow the prescribing physician substantial flexibility in treating various ocular conditions to achieve the desired therapeutic effect or effects with

reduced risk of side effects and/or eye irritation. Such administration may occur on an as needed basis, for example, in treating or managing dry eye syndrome, on a one time basis or on a repeated or periodic basis once, twice, 5 thrice or more times daily depending on the needs of the human or animal being treated and other factors involved in the application at hand.

One of the important advantages of the present invention is the reduced concentration of the cyclosporin 10 component in the blood of the human or animal as a result of administering the present composition as described herein. One very useful embodiment of the present administering step provides no substantial detectable concentration of cyclosporin component in the blood of the 15 human or animal. Cyclosporin component concentration in blood preferably is determined using a liquid chromatography-mass spectroscopy-mass spectroscopy (LC-MS/MS), which test has a cyclosporin component detection limit of 0.1 ng/ml. Cyclosporin component concentrations 20 below or less than 0.1 ng/ml are therefore considered substantially undetectable.

The LC-MS/MS test is advantageously run as follows.

One ml of blood is acidified with 0.2 ml of 0.1 N HCl solution, then extracted with 5 ml of methyl t-butyl ether. 25 After separation from the acidified aqueous layer, the organic phase is neutralized with 2 ml of 0.1 N NaOH, evaporated, reconstituted in a water/acetonitrile-based mobil phase, and injected onto a 2.1 x 50 mm, 3µm pore size C-8 reverse phase high pressure liquid chromatography 30 (HPLC) column (Keystone Scientific, Bellefonte, PA). Compounds are gradient-eluted at 0.2 mL/min and detected using an API III triple quadrupole mass spectrometer with a

turbo-ionspray source (PE-Sciex, Concord, Ontario, Canada).

Molecular reaction monitoring enhances the sensitivity and selectivity of this assay. Protonated molecules for the analyte and an internal standard are collisionally dissociated and product ions at m/z 425 are monitored for the analyte and the internal standard. Under these conditions, cyclosporin A and the internal standard cyclosporin G elute with retention times of about 3.8 minutes. The lower limit of quantitation is 0.1 ng/mL, at which concentration the coefficient of variation and deviation from nominal concentration is <15%.

As noted previously, any suitable cyclosporin component effective in the present methods may be employed.

Very useful cyclosporin components include, without limitation, cyclosporin A, derivatives of cyclosporin A and the like and mixtures thereof.

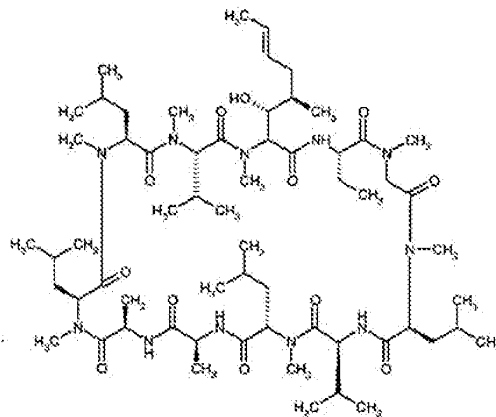
The chemical structure for cyclosporin A is represented by Formula 1

Formula I

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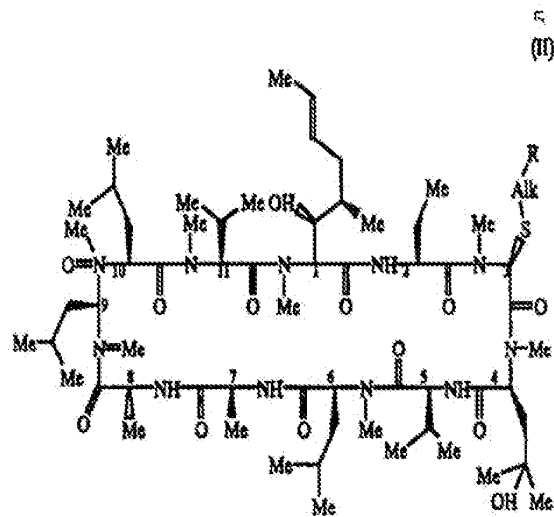
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As used herein the term "derivatives" of a cyclosporin refer to compounds having structures sufficiently similar to the cyclosporin so as to function in a manner substantially similar to or substantially identical to the cyclosporin, for example, cyclosporin A, in the present methods. Included, without limitation, within the useful cyclosporin A derivatives are those selected from ((R)-methylthio-Sar)³-(4'-hydroxy-MeLeu) cyclosporin A, ((R)-
 20 (Cyclo)alkylthio-Sar)³-(4'-hydroxy-MeLeu)⁴-cyclosporin A, and ((R)-(Cyclo)alkylthio-Sar)³-cyclosporin A derivatives described below.

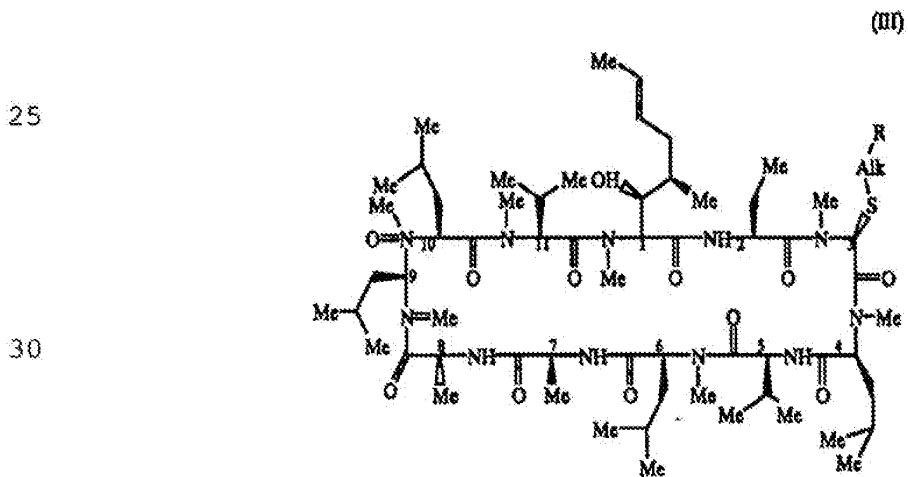
These cyclosporin derivatives are represented by the following general formulas (II), (III), and (IV) respectively:
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Formula II



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Formula III



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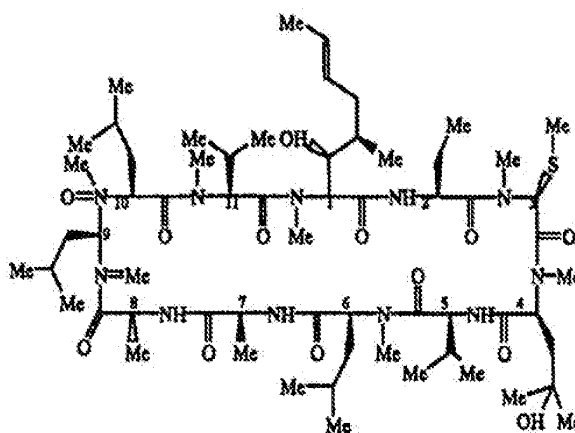
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Formula IV

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wherein Me is methyl; Alk is 2-6C alkylene or 3-6C cycloalkylene; R is OH, COOH, alkoxy-carbonyl, $-NR_1R_2$ or $N(R_3)-(CH_2)_n-NR_1R_2$; wherein R_1, R_2 is H, alkyl, 3-6C cycloalkyl, phenyl (optionally substituted by halo, alkoxy, alkoxy-carbonyl, amino, alkylamino or dialkylamino), benzyl or saturated or unsaturated heterocyclyl having 5 or 6 members and 1-3 heteroatoms; or NR_1R_2 is a 5 or 6 membered heterocycle which may contain a further N, O or S heteroatom and may be alkylated; R_3 is H or alkyl and n is 2-4; and the alkyl moieties contain 1-4C.

In one embodiment, the cyclosporin component is effective as an immunosuppressant. Without wishing to be limited to any particular theory of operation, it is believed that, in certain embodiments of the present invention, the cyclosporin component acts to enhance or restore lacrimal gland tearing in providing the desired

therapeutic effect.

One important feature of the present invention is that the presently useful compositions contain less than 0.1% by weight of the cyclosporin component. The advantages of such low-concentrations of cyclosporin components have been discussed in some detail elsewhere herein. Low concentrations of cyclosporin component, together with concentrations of the hydrophobic component such that the weight ratio of cyclosporin component to hydrophobic component is greater than 0.08, provides one or more substantial advantages in the present methods.

Any suitable hydrophobic component may be employed in the present invention. Such hydrophobic component may be considered as comprising a discontinuous phase in the presently useful cyclosporin component-containing emulsions, with the water or aqueous phase being considered the continuous phase in such emulsion. The hydrophobic component is preferably selected so as to solubilize the cyclosporin component, which is often substantially insoluble in the aqueous phase. Thus, with a suitable hydrophobic component included in the presently useful emulsions, the cyclosporin component is preferably solubilized in the emulsions.

In one very useful embodiment, the hydrophobic component comprises an oily material, in particular, a material which is substantially not miscible in water. Examples of useful oily materials include, without limitation, vegetable oils, animal oils, mineral oils, synthetic oils, and the like and mixtures thereof. Thus, the present hydrophilic components may comprise naturally occurring oils, including, without limitation refined naturally occurring oils, or naturally occurring oils which

have been processed to alter their chemical structures to some extent or oils which are substantially entirely synthetic. One very useful hydrophobic component includes higher fatty acid glycerides.

5 Examples of useful hydrophobic components include, without limitation, olive oil, arachis oil, castor oil, mineral oil, silicone fluid and the like and mixtures thereof. Higher fatty acid glycerides such as olive oil, peanut oil, castor oil and the like and mixtures thereof
10 are particularly useful in the present invention. Excellent results are obtained using a hydrophobic component comprising castor oil. Without wishing to limit the invention to any particular theory of operation, it is believed that castor oil includes a relatively high
15 concentration of ricinoleic acid which itself may be useful in benefitting ocular tissue and/or in providing one or more therapeutic effects when administered to an eye.

 The hydrophobic component is preferably present in the presently useful cyclosporin component-containing emulsion
20 compositions in an amount greater than about 0.625% by weight. For example, the hydrophobic component may be present in an amount up to about 0.75% by weight or about 1.0% by weight or about 1.5% by weight or more of the presently useful emulsion compositions.

25 The presently useful compositions may include one or more other components in amounts effective to facilitate the usefulness and effectiveness of the present methods and/or the presently useful compositions. Examples of such other components include, without limitation, emulsifier
30 components, surfactant components, tonicity components, poly electrolyte components, emulsion stability components, viscosity inducing components, demulcent components, acid

and/or bases to adjust the pH of the composition, buffer components, preservative components and the like.

In one very useful embodiment, the presently useful compositions are substantially free of preservatives. Thus, the presently useful compositions may be sterilized and maintained in a sterile condition prior to use, for example, provided in a sealed package or otherwise maintained in a substantially sterile condition.

Any suitable emulsifier component may be employed in the presently useful compositions, provided, that such emulsifier component is effective in forming maintaining the emulsion and/or in the hydrophobic component in emulsion, while having no significant or undue detrimental effect or effects on the compositions during storage or use.

In addition, the presently useful compositions, as well as each of the components of the present compositions in the concentration present in the composition advantageously are ophthalmically acceptable.

Useful emulsifier components may be selected from such component which are conventionally used and well known in the art. Examples of such emulsifier components include, without limitation, surface active components or surfactant components which may be anionic, cationic, nonionic or amphotheric in nature. In general, the emulsifier component includes a hydrophobic constituent and a hydrophilic constituent. Advantageously, the emulsifier component is water soluble in the presently useful compositions. Preferably, the emulsifier component is nonionic. Specific examples of suitable emulsifier components include, without limitation, polysorbate 80, polyoxyalkylene alkylene ethers, polyalkylene oxide ethers

of alkyl alcohols, polyalkylene oxide ethers of alkylphenols, other emulsifiers/surfactants, preferably nonionic emulsifiers/surfactants, useful in ophthalmic compositions, and the like and mixtures thereof.

5 The emulsifier component is present in an amount effective in forming the present emulsion and/or in maintaining the hydrophobic component in emulsion with the water or aqueous component. In one preferred embodiment, the emulsifier component is present in an amount in a range
10 of about 0.1% to about 5%, more preferably about 0.2% to about 2% and still more preferably about 0.5% to about 1.5% by weight of the presently useful compositions.

 Polyelectrolyte or emulsion stabilizing components may be included in the presently useful compositions. Such
15 components are believed to be effective in maintaining the electrolyte balance in the presently useful emulsions, thereby stabilizing the emulsions and preventing the emulsions from breaking down prior to use. In one
20 embodiment, the presently useful compositions include a polyanionic component effective as an emulsion stabilizing component. Examples of suitable polyanionic components useful in the presently useful compositions include, without limitation, anionic cellulose derivatives, anionic
25 acrylic acid-containing polymers, anionic methacrylic acid-containing polymers, anionic amino acid-containing polymers and the like and mixtures thereof.

 A particularly useful class of polyanionic components include one or more polymeric materials having multiple anionic charges. Examples include, but are not limited to:

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metal carboxy methylcelluloses
metal carboxy methylhydroxyethylcelluloses

- metal carboxy methylstarchs
- metal carboxy methylhydroxyethylstarchs
- hydrolyzed polyacrylamides and polyacrylonitriles
- heparin
- 5 gucoaminoglycans
- hyaluronic acid
- chondroitin sulfate
- dermatan sulfate
- peptides and polypeptides
- 10 alginic acid
- metal alginates
- homopolymers and copolymers of one or more of:
 - acrylic and methacrylic acids
 - metal acrylates and methacrylates
 - 15 vinylsulfonic acid
 - metal vinylsulfonate
 - amino acids, such as aspartic acid, glutamic acid and the like
 - metal salts of amino acids
 - 20 p-styrenesulfonic acid
 - metal p-styrenesulfonate
 - 2-methacryloyloxyethylsulfonic acids
 - metal 2-methacryloyloxethylsulfonates
 - 3-methacryloyloxy-2-hydroxypropylsulfonic acids
 - 25 metal 3-methacryloyloxy-2-hydroxypropylsulfonates
 - 2-acrylamido-2-methylpropanesulfonic acids
 - metal 2-acrylamido-2-methylpropanesulfonates
 - allylsulfonic acid
 - 30 metal allylsulfonate and the like.

One particularly useful emulsion stabilizing component

includes crosslinked polyacrylates, such as carbomers and Pemulen® materials. Pemulen® is a registered trademark of B.F. Goodrich for polymeric emulsifiers and are commercially available from B.F. Goodrich Company, Specialty Polymers & Chemicals Division, Cleveland, Ohio. Pemulen® materials include acrylate/C10-30 alkyl acrylate cross-polymers, or high molecular weight co-polymers of acrylic acid and a long chain alkyl methacrylate cross-linked with allyl ethers of pentaerythritol.

The presently useful polyanionic components may also be used to provide a suitable viscosity to the presently useful compositions. Thus, the polyanionic components may be useful in stabilizing the presently useful emulsions and in providing a suitable degree of viscosity to the presently useful compositions.

The polyelectrolyte or emulsion stabilizing component advantageously is present in an amount effective to at least assist in stabilizing the cyclosporin component-containing emulsion. For example, the polyelectrolyte/emulsion stabilizing component may be present in an amount in a range of about 0.01% by weight or less to about 1% by weight or more, preferably about 0.02% by weight to about 0.5% by weight, of the composition.

Any suitable tonicity component may be employed in accordance with the present invention. Preferably, such tonicity component is non-ionic, for example, in order to avoid interfering with the other components in the presently useful emulsions and to facilitate maintaining the stability of the emulsion prior to use. Useful tonicity agents include, without limitation, glycerine, mannitol, sorbitol and the like and mixtures thereof. The presently useful emulsions are preferably within the range

of plus or minus about 20% or about 10% from being isotonic.

Ophthalmic demulcent components may be included in effective amounts in the presently useful compositions. For example, ophthalmic demulcent components such as carboxymethylcellulose, other cellulose polymers, dextran 70, gelatin, glycerine, polyethylene glycols (e.g., PEG 300 and PEG 400), polysorbate 80, propylene glycol, polyvinyl alcohol, povidone and the like and mixtures thereof, may be used in the present ophthalmic compositions, for example, compositions useful for treating dry eye.

The demulcent components are preferably present in the compositions, for example, in the form of eye drops, in an amount effective in enhancing the lubricity of the presently useful compositions. The amount of demulcent component in the present compositions may be in a range of at least about 0.01% or about 0.02% to about 0.5% or about 1.0% by weight of the composition.

Many of the presently useful polyelectrolyte/emulsion stabilizing components may also be effective as demulcent components, and vice versa. The emulsifier/surfactant components may also be effective as demulcent components and vice versa.

The pH of the emulsions can be adjusted in a conventional manner using sodium hydroxide and/or hydrochloric acid to a physiological pH level. The pH of the presently useful emulsions preferably is in the range of about 6 to about 10, more preferably about 7.0 to about 8.0 and still more preferably about 7.2 to about 7.6.

Although buffer components are not required in the presently useful compositions, suitable buffer components, for example, and without limitation, phosphates, citrates,

acetates, borates and the like and mixtures thereof, may be employed to maintain a suitable pH in the presently useful compositions.

5 The presently useful compositions may include an effective amount of a preservative component. Any suitable preservative or combination of preservatives may be employed. Examples of suitable preservatives include, without limitation, benzalkonium chloride, methyl and ethyl parabens, hexetidine, phenyl mercuric salts and the like
10 and mixtures thereof. The amounts of preservative components included in the present compositions are such to be effective in preserving the compositions and can vary based on the specific preservative component employed, the specific composition involved, the specific application
15 involved, and the like factors. Preservative concentrations often are in the range of about 0.00001% to about 0.05% or about 0.1% (w/v) of the composition, although other concentrations of certain preservatives may be employed.

20 Very useful examples of preservative components in the present invention include, but are not limited to, chlorite components. Specific examples of chlorite components useful as preservatives in accordance with the present invention include stabilized chlorine dioxide (SCD), metal
25 chlorites such as alkali metal and alkaline earth metal chlorites, and the like and mixtures thereof. Technical grade (or USP grade) sodium chlorite is a very useful preservative component. The exact chemical composition of many chlorite components, for example, SCD, is not
30 completely understood. The manufacture or production of certain chlorite components is described in McNicholas U.S. Patent 3,278,447, which is incorporated in its entirety by

reference herein. Specific examples of useful SCD products include that sold under the trademark Dura Klor by Rio Linda Chemical Company, Inc., and that sold under the trademark Anthium Dioxide® by International Dioxide, Inc.

5 An especially useful SCD is a product sold under the trademark Bio-Cide® by Bio-Cide International, Inc., as well as a product identified by Allergan, Inc. by the trademark Purite®.

Other useful preservatives include antimicrobial
10 peptides. Among the antimicrobial peptides which may be employed include, without limitation, defensins, peptides related to defensins, cecropins, peptides related to cecropins, magainins and peptides related to magainins and
15 other amino acid polymers with antibacterial, antifungal and/or antiviral activities. Mixtures of antimicrobial peptides or mixtures of antimicrobial peptides with other preservatives are also included within the scope of the present invention.

The compositions of the present invention may include
20 viscosity modifying agents or components, such as cellulose polymers, including hydroxypropyl methyl cellulose (HPMC), hydroxyethyl cellulose (HEC), ethyl hydroxyethyl cellulose, hydroxypropyl cellulose, methyl cellulose and carboxymethyl cellulose; carbomers (e.g. carbopol, and the like);
25 polyvinyl alcohol; polyvinyl pyrrolidone; alginates; carrageenans; and guar, karaya, agarose, locust bean, tragacanth and xanthan gums. Such viscosity modifying components are employed, if at all, in an amount effective to provide a desired viscosity to the present compositions.
30 The concentration of such viscosity modifiers will typically vary between about 0.01 to about 5 % w/v of the

total composition, although other concentrations of certain viscosity modifying components may be employed.

The presently useful compositions may be produced using conventional and well known methods useful in
5 producing ophthalmic products including oil-in-water emulsions.

In one example, the oily phase of the emulsion can be combined with the cyclosporin component to solubilize the cyclosporin component in the oily material phase. The oily
10 phase and the water may be separately heated to an appropriate temperature. This temperature may be the same in both cases, generally a few degrees to about 10°C above the melting temperature of the ingredient(s) having the highest melting point in the case of a solid or semi-solid
15 oily phase for emulsifier components in the oily phase. Where the oily phase is a liquid at room temperature, a suitable temperature for preparation of a composition may be determined by routine experimentation in which the melting point of the ingredients aside from the oily phase
20 is determined. In cases where all components of either the oily phase or the water phase are soluble at room temperature, no heating may be necessary. Non-emulsifying agents which are water soluble are dissolved in the water and oil soluble components including the surfactant
25 components are dissolved in the oily phase.

To create an oil-in-water emulsion, the final oil phase is gently mixed into either an intermediate, preferably de-ionized water, phase or into the final water phase to create a suitable dispersion and the product is
30 allowed to cool with or without stirring. In the case where the final oil phase is first gently mixed into an intermediate water phase, the resulting emulsion

concentrate is thereafter mixed in the appropriate ratio with the final aqueous phase. In such cases, the emulsion concentrate and the final aqueous phase may not be at the same temperature or heated above room temperature, as the
5 emulsion may be already formed at this point.

The oil-in-water emulsions of the present invention can be sterilized after preparation using heat, for example, autoclave steam sterilization or can be sterile filtered using, for example, a 0.22 micron sterile filter.
10 Sterilization employing a sterilization filter can be used when the emulsion droplet (or globule or particle) size and characteristics allows this. The droplet size distribution of the emulsion need not be entirely below the particle size cutoff of the 0.22 micron sterile filtration membrane
15 to be sterile-filtratable. In cases wherein the droplet size distribution of the emulsion is above the particle size cutoff of the 0.22 micron sterile filtration membrane, the emulsion needs to be able to deform or change while passing through the filtration membrane and then reform
20 after passing through. This property is easily determined by routine testing of emulsion droplet size distributions and percent of total oil in the compositions before and after filtration. Alternatively, a loss of a small amount of larger droplet sized material may be acceptable.

25 The present oil-in-water emulsions preferably are thermodynamically stable, much like microemulsions, and yet may not be isotropic transparent compositions as are microemulsions. The emulsions of the present invention advantageously have a shelf life exceeding one year at room
30 temperature.

The following non-limiting examples illustrate certain aspects of the present invention.

EXAMPLE 1

Two compositions are selected for testing. These compositions are produced in accordance with well known techniques and have the following make-ups:

	<u>Composition I</u>	<u>Composition II</u>
	wt%	wt%
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20 These compositions are employed in a Phase 3, double-masked, randomized, parallel group study for the treatment of dry eye disease.

The results of this study indicate that Composition II, in accordance with the present invention, which has a reduced concentration of cyclosporin A and a cyclosporin A to castor oil ratio of less than 0.08, provides overall efficacy in treating dry eye disease substantially equal to that of Composition I. This is surprising for a number of reasons. For example, the reduced concentration of cyclosporin A in Composition II would have been expected to result in reduced overall efficacy in treating dry eye disease. Also, the large amount of castor oil relative to the amount of cyclosporin A in Composition II might have been expected to cause increased eye irritation relative to

Composition I. However, both Composition I and Composition II are found to be substantially non-irritating in use.

Using relatively increased amounts of castor oil, with reduced amounts of cyclosporin component, as in Composition II, is believed to take advantage of the benefits, for example the ocular lubrication benefits, of castor oil, as well as the presence of ricinoleic acid in the castor oil, to at least assist in treating dry eye syndrome in combination with cyclosporin A.

In addition, it is found that the high concentration of castor oil relative to cyclosporin component, as in Composition II, provides the advantage of more quickly or rapidly (for example, relative to a composition which includes only 50% as much castor oil) breaking down or resolving the emulsion in the eye, for example, as measured by split-lamp techniques to monitor the composition in the eye for phase separation. Such rapid break down of the emulsion in the eye reduces vision distortion as the result of the presence of the emulsion in the eye, as well as facilitating the therapeutic effectiveness of the composition in treating dry eye disease.

Using reduced amounts of cyclosporin A, as in Composition II, to achieve therapeutic effectiveness mitigates even further against undesirable side effects and potential drug interactions. Prescribing physicians can provide (prescribe) Composition II to more patients and/or with fewer restrictions and/or with reduced risk of the occurrence of adverse events, e.g., side effects, drug interactions and the like, relative to providing Composition I.

While this invention has been described with respect to various specific examples and embodiments, it is to be

understood that the invention is not limited thereto and that it can be variously practiced within the scope of the following claims.

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A method of treating an eye of a human or animal comprising:

administering to an eye of a human or animal a composition in the form of an emulsion comprising water, a hydrophobic component and a cyclosporin component in a therapeutically effective amount of less than 0.1% by weight of the composition, the weight ratio of the cyclosporin component to the hydrophobic component is less than 0.08.

2. The method of claim 1 wherein the administering step is effective in treating a condition selected from the group consisting of dry eye syndrome, phacoanaphylactic endophthalmitis, uveitis, vernal conjunctivitis, atopic keratoconjunctivitis and corneal graft rejection.

3. The method of claim 1 wherein the administering step is effective in treating dry eye syndrome.

4. The method of claim 1 wherein the blood of the human or animal has substantially no detectable concentration of the cyclosporin component.

5. The method of claim 1 wherein the blood of the human or animal has substantially no detectable concentration of the cyclosporin component as measured using a validated liquid chromatography/mass spectrometry-mass spectrometry analytical method.

6. The method of claim 1 wherein the blood of the human or animal has a concentration of the cyclosporin component of 0.1 ng/ml or less.

7. The method of claim 1 wherein the cyclosporin component comprises a material selected from cyclosporin A, derivatives of cyclosporin A and mixtures thereof.

8. The method of claim 1 wherein the cyclosporin component comprises cyclosporin A.

9. The method of claim 1 wherein the cyclosporin component is solubilized in the hydrophobic component present in the composition.

10. The method of claim 1 wherein the hydrophobic component is present in the composition in an amount greater than 0.625% by weight of the composition.

11. The method of claim 1 wherein the hydrophobic component comprises an oily material.

12. The method of claim 1 wherein the hydrophobic component comprises an ingredient selected from the group consisting of vegetable oils, animal oils, mineral oils, synthetic oils and mixtures thereof.

13. The method of claim 1 wherein the hydrophobic component comprises castor oil.

14. The method of claim 1 wherein the administering step comprises topically administering the composition to the eye of the human.

15. The method of claim 1 wherein the composition comprises an effective amount of an emulsifier component.

16. The method of claim 1 wherein the composition comprises an effective amount of a tonicity component.

17. The method of claim 1 wherein the composition comprises an effective amount of an organic tonicity component.

18. The method of claim 1 wherein the composition comprises a polyelectrolyte component in an amount effective in stabilizing the composition.

19. The method of claim 1 wherein the composition has a pH in the range of about 7.0 to about 8.0.

20. The method of claim 1 wherein the composition has a pH in the range of about 7.2 to about 7.6.

21. A composition for treating an eye of a human or animal comprising an emulsion comprising water, a hydrophobic component, and a cyclosporin component in a therapeutically effective amount of less than 0.1% by weight, the weight ratio of the cyclosporin component to the hydrophobic component being less than 0.08.

22. The composition of claim 21 having a make-up so that when the composition is administered to an eye of a

human in an effective amount in treating dry eye syndrome, the blood of the human has substantially no detectable concentration of the cyclosporin component.

23. The composition of claim 21 wherein the cyclosporin component comprises a material selected from cyclosporin A, derivatives of cyclosporin A and mixtures thereof.

24. The composition of claim 21 wherein the cyclosporin component comprises cyclosporin A.

25. The composition of claim 21 in the form of an emulsion.

26. The composition of claim 21 wherein the hydrophobic component is present in an amount greater than 0.625% by weight of the composition.

27. The composition of claim 21 wherein the hydrophobic component is an oily material.

28. The composition of claim 21 wherein the hydrophobic component comprises an ingredient selected from the group consisting of vegetable oils, animal oils, mineral oils, synthetic oils, and mixtures thereof.

29. The composition of claim 21 wherein the hydrophobic component comprises castor oil.

30. The composition of claim 21 wherein the administering step comprises topically administering the composition to the eye of the human.

31. The composition of claim 21 wherein the composition comprises an effective amount of an emulsifier component.

32. The composition of claim 21 wherein the composition comprises an effective amount of a tonicity component.

33. The composition of claim 21 wherein the composition comprises an effective amount of an organic tonicity component.

34. The composition of claim 21 wherein the composition comprises a polyelectrolytic component in an amount effective in stabilizing the composition.

35. The composition of claim 21 wherein the composition includes water and has a pH in the range of about 7.0 to about 8.0.

36. The composition of claim 21 wherein the composition includes water and has a pH in the range of about 7.2 to about 7.6.

METHODS OF PROVIDING THERAPEUTIC EFFECTS
USING CYCLOSPORIN COMPONENTS

Abstract of the Disclosure

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Methods of treating an eye of a human or animal include administering to an eye of a human or animal a composition in the form of an emulsion including water, a hydrophobic component and a cyclosporin component in a therapeutically effective amount of less than 0.1% by weight of the composition. The weight ratio of the cyclosporin component to the hydrophobic component is less than 0.8.

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Application Data Sheet 37 CFR 1.76		Attorney Docket Number	17618CON6 (AP)		
		Application Number			
Title of Invention	METHODS OF PROVIDING THERAPEUTIC EFFECTS USING CYCLOSPORIN COMPONENTS				
City	Newport Beach	State/Province	CA	Country of Residence i	US
Mailing Address of Inventor:					
Address 1	36 Cervantes				
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City	Newport Beach	State/Province	CA		
Postal Code	92660	Country i	US		
Inventor 4					<input type="button" value="Remove"/>
Legal Name					
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Title of the Invention	METHODS OF PROVIDING THERAPEUTIC EFFECTS USING CYCLOSPORIN COMPONENTS		
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Application Type	Nonprovisional		
Subject Matter	Utility		
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Prior Application Status	Abandoned	<input type="button" value="Remove"/>	
Application Number	Continuity Type	Prior Application Number	Filing Date (YYYY-MM-DD)
	Continuation of	10927857	2004-08-27
Prior Application Status	Expired	<input type="button" value="Remove"/>	
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Title of Invention	METHODS OF PROVIDING THERAPEUTIC EFFECTS USING CYCLOSPORIN COMPONENTS	

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Signature	/Laura L. Wine/		Date (YYYY-MM-DD)	2013-08-07
First Name	Laura	Last Name	Wine	Registration Number
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Application Number	unknown
Filing Date	herewith
First Named Inventor	Andrew Acheampong
Title	METHODS OF PROVIDING THERAPEUTIC EFFECTS USING CYCLOSPORIN COMPONENTS
Art Unit	
Examiner Name	
Attorney Docket Number	17618CON6 (AP)

SIGNATURE of Applicant or Patent Practitioner

Signature	/Laura L. Wine/	Date	August 7, 2013
Name	Laura L. Wine	Telephone	714-246-6996
Registration Number	68,681		

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APPLICATION AS FILED – PART I					
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FOR	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE (\$)	FEE (\$)	
<input type="checkbox"/> BASIC FEE <small>(37 CFR 1.16(a), (b), or (c))</small>	N/A	N/A	N/A		
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APPLICATION AS AMENDED – PART II								
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Title of Invention	Methods of Providing Therapeutic Effects Using Cyclosporin Components Docket No.: 17618CON6(AP)						
This statement is directed to:							
<input type="checkbox"/> The attached application,							
OR							
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> United States application or PCT International application number <u>13/961,828</u> filed on <u>8-7-13</u>							
LEGAL NAME of inventor to whom this substitute statement applies:							
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James N. Chang							
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The above-identified application was made or authorized to be made by me.							
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<input type="checkbox"/> Legal Representative (for deceased or legally incapacitated inventor only),							
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OR

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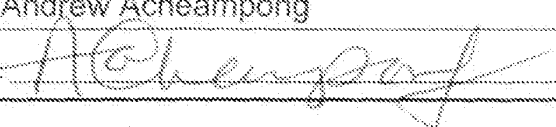
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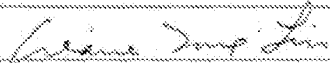
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As stated in the preliminary amendment filed on August 7, 2013, support for the amendment to the specification at page 4, line 25 – page 5, line 3 of the specification filed August 7, 2013, which correspond to page 3, line 25 – page 4, line 3 of the substitute and clean specifications filed herewith, may be found, at least, in U.S. Patent Nos. 5,474,979 and 6,254,860, which were previously incorporated by reference in the present application specification at page 1, lines 18-21. The amendment contains no new matter.

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Related Application

5 This application is a continuation of copending U.S. Application Serial No. 11/897,177,
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60/503,137 filed September 15, 2003, which are incorporated in their entirety herein by
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Background of the Invention

The present invention relates to methods of providing desired therapeutic effects to
humans or animals using compositions including cyclosporin components. More particularly,
the invention relates to methods including administering to an eye of a human or animal a
15 therapeutically effective amount of a cyclosporin component to provide a desired therapeutic
effect, preferably a desired ophthalmic or ocular therapeutic effect.

The use of cyclosporin-A and cyclosporin A derivatives to treat ophthalmic conditions
has been the subject of various patents, for example Ding et al U.S. Patent 5,474,979; Garst U.S.
Patent 6,254,860; and Garst U.S. 6,350,442, this disclosure of each of which is incorporated in
20 its entirety herein by reference. In addition, cyclosporin A compositions used in treating
ophthalmic conditions is the subject of a number of publications. Such publications include, for
example, "Blood concentrations of cyclosporin a during long-term treatment with cyclosporin a
ophthalmic emulsions in patients with moderate to severe dry eye disease," Small et al, *J Ocul
Pharmacol Ther*, 2002 Oct, 18(5):411-8; "Distribution of cyclosporin A in ocular tissues after
25 topical administration to albino rabbits and beagle dogs," Acheampong et al, *Curr Eye Res*, 1999
Feb, 18(2):91-103b; "Cyclosporine distribution into the conjunctiva, cornea, lacrimal gland, and
systemic blood following topical dosing of cyclosporine to rabbit, dog, and human eyes,"
Acheampong et al, *Adv Exp Med Biol*, 1998, 438:1001-4; "Preclinical safety studies of
cyclosporine ophthalmic emulsion," Angelov et al, *Adv Exp Med Biol*, 1998, 438:991-5;
30 "Cyclosporin & Emulsion & Eye," Stevenson et al, *Ophthalmology*, 2000 May, 107(5):967-74;
and "Two multicenter, randomized studies of the efficacy and safety of cyclosporine ophthalmic

emulsion in moderate to severe dry eye disease. CsA Phase 3 Study Group,” Sall et al, *Ophthalmology*, 2000 Apr, 107(4):631-9. Each of these publications is incorporated in its entirety herein by reference. In addition, cyclosporin A-containing oil-in-water emulsions have been clinically tested, under conditions of confidentiality, since the mid 1990's in order to obtain U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regulatory approval.

Examples of useful cyclosporin A-containing emulsions are set out in Ding et al U.S. Patent 5,474,979. Example 1 of this patent shows a series of emulsions in which the ratio of cyclosporin A to castor oil in each of these compositions was 0.08 or greater, except for Composition B, which included 0.2% by weight cyclosporin A and 5% by weight castor oil. The Ding et al patent placed no significance in Composition B relative to Compositions A, C and D of Example 1.

Over time, it has become apparent that cyclosporin A emulsions for ophthalmic use preferably have less than 0.2% by weight of cyclosporin A. With cyclosporin A concentrations less than 0.2%, the amount of castor oil employed has been reduced since one of the functions of the castor oil is to solubilize the cyclosporin A. Thus, if reduced amounts of cyclosporin are employed, reduced amounts of castor oil are needed to provide effective solubilization of cyclosporin A.

There continues to be a need for providing enhanced methods of treating ophthalmic or ocular conditions with cyclosporin-containing emulsions.

Summary of the Invention

New methods of treating a human or animal using cyclosporin component-containing emulsions have been discovered. Such methods provide substantial overall efficacy in providing desired therapeutic effects. In addition, other important benefits are obtained employing the present methods. For example, patient safety is enhanced. In particular, the present methods provide for reduced risks of side effects and/or drug interactions. Prescribing physicians advantageously have increased flexibility in prescribing such methods and the compositions useful in such methods, for example, because of the reduced risks of harmful side effects and/or drug interactions. The present methods can be easily practiced. In short, the present methods provide substantial and acceptable overall efficacy, together with other advantages, such as increased safety and/or flexibility.

In one aspect of the present invention, the present methods comprise administering to an eye of a human or animal a composition in the form of an emulsion comprising water, a hydrophobic component and a cyclosporin component in a therapeutically effective amount of less than 0.1% by weight of the composition. The weight ratio of the cyclosporin component to
5 the hydrophobic component is less than 0.08.

It has been found that the relatively increased amounts of hydrophobic component together with relatively reduced, yet therapeutically effective, amounts of cyclosporin component provide substantial and advantageous benefits. For example, the overall efficacy of the present compositions, for example in treating dry eye disease, is substantially equal to an identical
10 composition in which the cyclosporin component is present in an amount of 0.1% by weight. Further, a relatively high concentration of hydrophobic component is believed to provide for a more quick or rapid breaking down or resolving of the emulsion in the eye, which reduces vision distortion which may be caused by the presence of the emulsion in the eye and/or facilitates the therapeutic effectiveness of the composition. Additionally, and importantly, using reduced
15 amounts of the active cyclosporin component mitigates against undesirable side effects and/or potential drug interactions.

In short, the present invention provides at least one advantageous benefit, and preferably a plurality of advantageous benefits.

The present methods are useful in treating any suitable condition which is therapeutically
20 sensitive to or treatable with cyclosporin components. Such conditions preferably are ophthalmic or ocular conditions, that is relating to or having to do with one or more parts of an eye of a human or animal. Included among such conditions are, without limitation, dry eye syndrome, phacoanaphylactic endophthalmitis, uveitis, vernal conjunctivitis, atopic kerapoconjunctivitis, corneal graft rejection and the like conditions. The present invention is
25 particularly effective in treating dry eye syndrome. Cyclosporin has been found as effective in treating immune mediated keratoconjunctivitis sicca (KCS or dry eye disease) in a patient suffering therefrom. The activity of cyclosporins is as an immunosuppressant and in the enhancement or restoring of lacrimal gland tearing. Other conditions that can be treated with cyclosporin components include an absolute or partial deficiency in aqueous tear production
30 (keratoconjunctivitis sicca, or KCS). Topical administration to a patient's tear deficient eye can increase tear production in the eye. The treatment can further serve to correct corneal and

conjunctival disorders exacerbated by tear deficiency and KCS, such as corneal scarring, corneal ulceration, inflammation of the cornea or conjunctiva, filamentary keratitis, mucopurulent discharge and vascularization of the cornea.

Employing reduced concentrations of cyclosporin component, as in the present invention, is advantageously effective to provide the blood of the human or animal under treatment with reduced concentrations of cyclosporin component, preferably with substantially no detectable concentration of the cyclosporin component. The cyclosporin component concentration of blood can be advantageously measured using a validated liquid chromatography/mass spectrometry-mass spectrometry (VLC/MS-MS) analytical method, such as described elsewhere herein.

In one embodiment, in the present methods the blood of the human or animal has concentrations of cyclosporin component of 0.1 ng/ml or less.

Any suitable cyclosporin component effective in the present methods may be used.

Cyclosporins are a group of nonpolar cyclic oligopeptides with known immunosuppressant activity. Cyclosporin A, along with several other minor metabolites, cyclosporin B through I, have been identified. In addition, a number of synthetic analogs have been prepared.

In general, commercially available cyclosporins may contain a mixture of several individual cyclosporins which all share a cyclic peptide structure consisting of eleven amino acid residues with a total molecular weight of about 1,200, but with different substituents or configurations of some of the amino acids.

The term "cyclosporin component" as used herein is intended to include any individual member of the cyclosporin group and derivatives thereof, as well as mixtures of two or more individual cyclosporins and derivatives thereof.

Particularly preferred cyclosporin components include, without limitation, cyclosporin A, derivatives of cyclosporin A and the like and mixtures thereof. Cyclosporin A is an especially useful cyclosporin component.

Any suitable hydrophobic component may be employed in the present invention. Advantageously, the cyclosporin component is solubilized in the hydrophobic component. The hydrophobic component may be considered as comprising a discontinuous phase in the presently useful cyclosporin component-containing emulsions.

The hydrophobic component preferably is present in the emulsion compositions in an

amount greater than about 0.625% by weight. For example, the hydrophobic component may be present in an amount of up to about 1.0% by weight or about 1.5% by weight or more of the composition.

Preferably, the hydrophobic component comprises one or more oily materials. Examples of useful oil materials include, without limitation, vegetable oils, animal oils, mineral oils, synthetic oils and the like and mixtures thereof. In a very useful embodiment, the hydrophobic component comprises one or more higher fatty acid glycerides. Excellent results are obtained when the hydrophobic component comprises castor oil.

The presently useful compositions may include one or more other components in amounts effective to facilitate the usefulness and effectiveness of the compositions. Examples of such other components include, without limitation, emulsifier components, tonicity components, polyelectrolyte components, surfactant components, viscosity inducing components, acids and/or bases to adjust the pH of the composition, buffer components, preservative components and the like. Components may be employed which are effective to perform two or more functions in the presently useful compositions. For example, components which are effective as both emulsifiers and surfactants may be employed, and/or components which are effective as both polyelectrolyte components and viscosity inducing components may be employed. The specific composition chosen for use in the present invention advantageously is selected taking into account various factors present in the specific application at hand, for example, the desired therapeutic effect to be achieved, the desired properties of the compositions to be employed, the sensitivities of the human or animal to whom the composition is to be administered, and the like factors.

The presently useful compositions advantageously are ophthalmically acceptable. A composition, component or material is ophthalmically acceptable when it is compatible with ocular tissue, that is, it does not cause significant or undue detrimental effects when brought into contact with ocular tissues.

Such compositions have pH's within the physiological range of about 6 to about 10, preferably in a range of about 7.0 to about 8.0 and more preferably in a range of about 7.2 to about 7.6.

The present methods preferably provide for an administering step comprising topically administering the presently useful compositions to the eye or eyes of a human or animal.

Each and every feature described herein, and each and every combination of two or more

of such features, is included within the scope of the present invention provided that the features included in such a combination are not mutually inconsistent.

These and other aspects and advantages of the present invention are apparent in the following detailed description, example and claims.

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Detailed Description

The present methods are effective for treating an eye of a human or animal. Such methods, in general, comprise administering, preferably topically administering, to an eye of a human or animal a cyclosporin component-containing emulsion. The emulsion contains water, for example U.S. pure water, a hydrophobic component and a cyclosporin component in a therapeutically effective amount of less than 0.1% by weight of the emulsion. In addition, beneficial results have been found when the weight ratio of the cyclosporin component to the hydrophobic component is less than 0.08.

As noted above, the present administering step preferably includes topically administering the emulsion to the eye of a patient of a human or animal. Such administering may involve a single use of the presently useful compositions, or repeated or periodic use of such compositions, for example, as required or desired to achieve the therapeutic effect to be obtained. The topical administration of the presently useful composition may involve providing the composition in the form of eye drops or similar form or other form so as to facilitate such topical administration.

The present methods have been found to be very effective in providing the desired therapeutic effect or effects while, at the same time, substantially reducing, or even substantially eliminating, side effects which may result from the presence of the cyclosporin component in the blood of the human or animal being treated, and eye irritation which, in the past, has been caused by the presence of certain components in prior art cyclosporin-containing emulsions. Also, the use of the present compositions which include reduced amounts of the cyclosporin components allow for more frequent administration of the present compositions to achieve the desired therapeutic effect or effects without substantially increasing the risk of side effects and/or eye irritation.

The present methods are useful in treating any condition which is therapeutically sensitive to or treatable with cyclosporin components. Such conditions preferably are

ophthalmic or ocular conditions, that is relating to or having to do with one or more parts of an eye of a human or animal. Included among such conditions are, without limitation, dry eye syndrome, phacoanaphylactic endophthalmitis, uveitis, vernal conjunctivitis, atopic kerapoconjunctivitis, corneal graft rejection and the like conditions. The present invention is particularly effective in treating dry eye syndrome.

The frequency of administration and the amount of the presently useful composition to use during each administration varies depending upon the therapeutic effect to be obtained, the severity of the condition being treated and the like factors. The presently useful compositions are designed to allow the prescribing physician substantial flexibility in treating various ocular conditions to achieve the desired therapeutic effect or effects with reduced risk of side effects and/or eye irritation. Such administration may occur on an as needed basis, for example, in treating or managing dry eye syndrome, on a one time basis or on a repeated or periodic basis once, twice, thrice or more times daily depending on the needs of the human or animal being treated and other factors involved in the application at hand.

One of the important advantages of the present invention is the reduced concentration of the cyclosporin component in the blood of the human or animal as a result of administering the present composition as described herein. One very useful embodiment of the present administering step provides no substantial detectable concentration of cyclosporin component in the blood of the human or animal. Cyclosporin component concentration in blood preferably is determined using a liquid chromatography-mass spectroscopy-mass spectroscopy (LC-MS/MS), which test has a cyclosporin component detection limit of 0.1 ng/ml. Cyclosporin component concentrations below or less than 0.1 ng/ml are therefore considered substantially undetectable.

The LC-MS/MS test is advantageously run as follows.

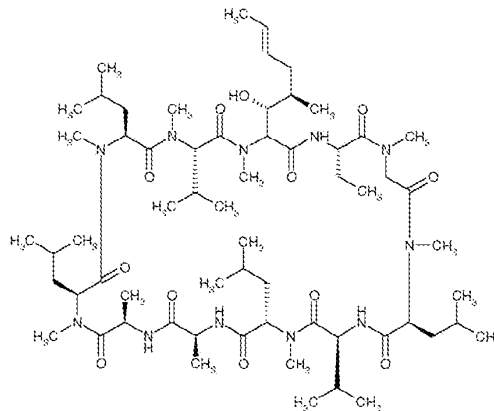
One ml of blood is acidified with 0.2 ml of 0.1 N HCl solution, then extracted with 5 ml of methyl t-butyl ether. After separation from the acidified aqueous layer, the organic phase is neutralized with 2 ml of 0.1 N NaOH, evaporated, reconstituted in a water/acetonitrile-based mobil phase, and injected onto a 2.1 x 50 mm, 3 μ m pore size C-8 reverse phase high pressure liquid chromatography (HPLC) column (Keystone Scientific, Bellefonte, PA). Compounds are gradient-eluted at 0.2 mL/min and detected using an API III triple quadrupole mass spectrometer with a turbo-ionspray source (PE-Sciex, Concord, Ontario, Canada). Molecular reaction monitoring enhances the sensitivity and selectivity of this assay. Protonated molecules for the

analyte and an internal standard are collisionally dissociated and product ions at m/z 425 are monitored for the analyte and the internal standard. Under these conditions, cyclosporin A and the internal standard cyclosporin G elute with retention times of about 3.8 minutes. The lower limit of quantitation is 0.1 ng/mL, at which concentration the coefficient of variation and deviation from nominal concentration is <15%.

As noted previously, any suitable cyclosporin component effective in the present methods may be employed. Very useful cyclosporin components include, without limitation, cyclosporin A, derivatives of cyclosporin A and the like and mixtures thereof.

The chemical structure for cyclosporin A is represented by Formula 1

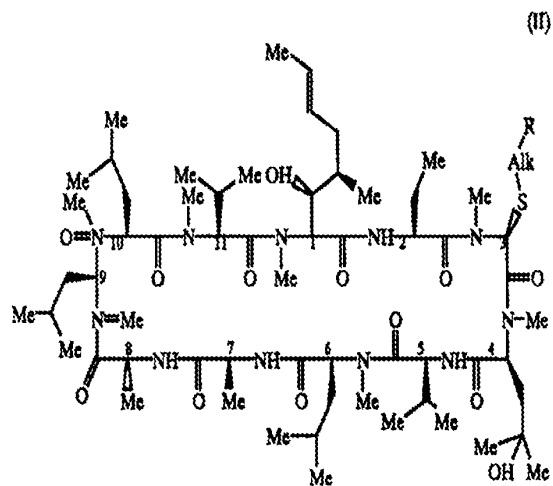
Formula 1



As used herein the term “derivatives” of a cyclosporin refer to compounds having structures sufficiently similar to the cyclosporin so as to function in a manner substantially similar to or substantially identical to the cyclosporin, for example, cyclosporin A, in the present methods. Included, without limitation, within the useful cyclosporin A derivatives are those selected from ((R)-methylthio-Sar)³-(4'-hydroxy-MeLeu) cyclosporin A, ((R)-(Cyclo)alkylthio-Sar)³-(4'-hydroxy-MeLeu)⁴-cyclosporin A, and ((R)-(Cyclo)alkylthio-Sar)³-cyclosporin A derivatives described below.

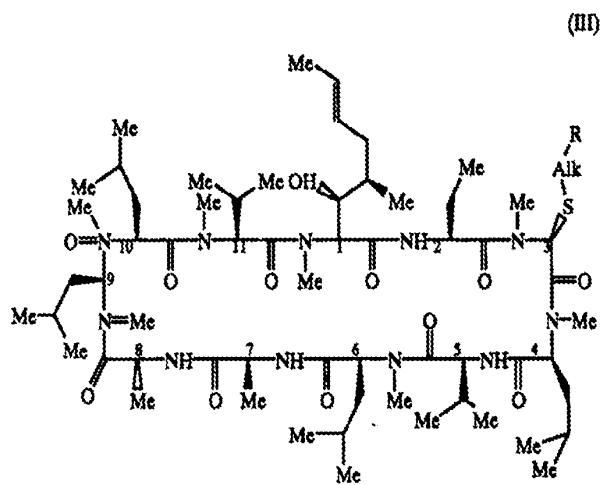
These cyclosporin derivatives are represented by the following general formulas (II), (III), and (IV) respectively:

Formula II



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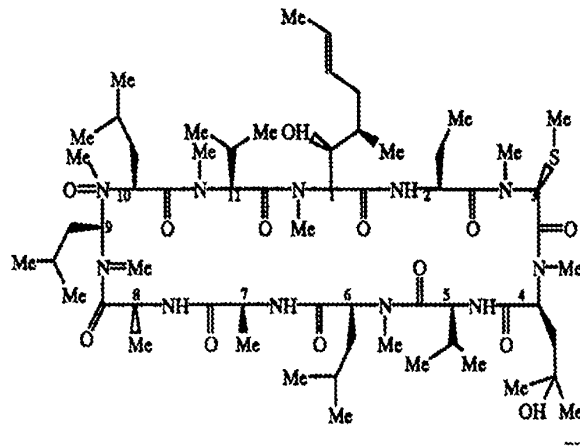
Formula III



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Formula IV

(f)



wherein Me is methyl; Alk is 2-6C alkylene or 3-6C cycloalkylene; R is OH, COOH, alkoxy-carbonyl, $-NR_1R_2$ or $N(R_3)C(CH_2)CNR_1R_2$; wherein R_1, R_2 is H, alkyl, 3-6C cycloalkyl, phenyl (optionally substituted by halo, alkoxy, alkoxy-carbonyl, amino, alkylamino or dialkylamino), benzyl or saturated or unsaturated heterocyclyl having 5 or 6 members and 1-3 heteroatoms; or NR_1R_2 is a 5 or 6 membered heterocycle which may contain a further N, O or S heteroatom and may be alkylated; R_3 is H or alkyl and n is 2-4; and the alkyl moieties contain 1-4C.

In one embodiment, the cyclosporin component is effective as an immunosuppressant. Without wishing to be limited to any particular theory of operation, it is believed that, in certain embodiments of the present invention, the cyclosporin component acts to enhance or restore lacrimal gland tearing in providing the desired therapeutic effect.

One important feature of the present invention is that the presently useful compositions contain less than 0.1% by weight of the cyclosporin component. The advantages of such low-concentrations of cyclosporin components have been discussed in some detail elsewhere herein. Low concentrations of cyclosporin component, together with concentrations of the hydrophobic component such that the weight ratio of cyclosporin component to hydrophobic component is greater than 0.08, provides one or more substantial advantages in the present methods.

Any suitable hydrophobic component may be employed in the present invention. Such hydrophobic component may be considered as comprising a discontinuous phase in the presently useful cyclosporin component-containing emulsions, with the water or aqueous phase being

considered the continuous phase in such emulsion. The hydrophobic component is preferably selected so as to solubilize the cyclosporin component, which is often substantially insoluble in the aqueous phase. Thus, with a suitable hydrophobic component included in the presently useful emulsions, the cyclosporin component is preferably solubilized in the emulsions.

5 In one very useful embodiment, the hydrophobic component comprises an oily material, in particular, a material which is substantially not miscible in water. Examples of useful oily materials include, without limitation, vegetable oils, animal oils, mineral oils, synthetic oils, and the like and mixtures thereof. Thus, the present hydrophilic components may comprise naturally occurring oils, including, without limitation refined naturally occurring oils, or naturally
10 occurring oils which have been processed to alter their chemical structures to some extent or oils which are substantially entirely synthetic. One very useful hydrophobic component includes higher fatty acid glycerides.

Examples of useful hydrophobic components include, without limitation, olive oil, arachis oil, castor oil, mineral oil, silicone fluid and the like and mixtures thereof. Higher fatty
15 acid glycerides such as olive oil, peanut oil, castor oil and the like and mixtures thereof are particularly useful in the present invention. Excellent results are obtained using a hydrophobic component comprising castor oil. Without wishing to limit the invention to any particular theory of operation, it is believed that castor oil includes a relatively high concentration of ricinoleic acid which itself may be useful in benefitting ocular tissue and/or in providing one or more
20 therapeutic effects when administered to an eye.

The hydrophobic component is preferably present in the presently useful cyclosporin component-containing emulsion compositions in an amount greater than about 0.625% by weight. For example, the hydrophobic component may be present in an amount up to about 0.75% by weight or about 1.0% by weight or about 1.5% by weight or more of the presently
25 useful emulsion compositions.

The presently useful compositions may include one or more other components in amounts effective to facilitate the usefulness and effectiveness of the present methods and/or the presently useful compositions. Examples of such other components include, without limitation, emulsifier components, surfactant components, tonicity components, poly electrolyte
30 components, emulsion stability components, viscosity inducing components, demulcent components, acid and/or bases to adjust the pH of the composition, buffer components,

preservative components and the like.

In one very useful embodiment, the presently useful compositions are substantially free of preservatives. Thus, the presently useful compositions may be sterilized and maintained in a sterile condition prior to use, for example, provided in a sealed package or otherwise maintained
5 in a substantially sterile condition.

Any suitable emulsifier component may be employed in the presently useful compositions, provided, that such emulsifier component is effective in forming maintaining the emulsion and/or in the hydrophobic component in emulsion, while having no significant or undue detrimental effect or effects on the compositions during storage or use.

10 In addition, the presently useful compositions, as well as each of the components of the present compositions in the concentration present in the composition advantageously are ophthalmically acceptable.

Useful emulsifier components may be selected from such component which are conventionally used and well known in the art. Examples of such emulsifier components
15 include, without limitation, surface active components or surfactant components which may be anionic, cationic, nonionic or amphotheric in nature. In general, the emulsifier component includes a hydrophobic constituent and a hydrophilic constituent. Advantageously, the emulsifier component is water soluble in the presently useful compositions. Preferably, the emulsifier component is nonionic. Specific examples of suitable emulsifier components include,
20 without limitation, polysorbate 80, polyoxyalkylene alkylene ethers, polyalkylene oxide ethers of alkyl alcohols, polyalkylene oxide ethers of alkylphenols, other emulsifiers/surfactants, preferably nonionic emulsifiers/surfactants, useful in ophthalmic compositions, and the like and mixtures thereof.

The emulsifier component is present in an amount effective in forming the present
25 emulsion and/or in maintaining the hydrophobic component in emulsion with the water or aqueous component. In one preferred embodiment, the emulsifier component is present in an amount in a range of about 0.1% to about 5%, more preferably about 0.2% to about 2% and still more preferably about 0.5% to about 1.5% by weight of the presently useful compositions.

Polyelectrolyte or emulsion stabilizing components may be included in the presently
30 useful compositions. Such components are believed to be effective in maintaining the electrolyte balance in the presently useful emulsions, thereby stabilizing the emulsions and preventing the

emulsions from breaking down prior to use. In one embodiment, the presently useful compositions include a polyanionic component effective as an emulsion stabilizing component. Examples of suitable polyanionic components useful in the presently useful compositions include, without limitation, anionic cellulose derivatives, anionic acrylic acid-containing
5 polymers, anionic methacrylic acid-containing polymers, anionic amino acid-containing polymers and the like and mixtures thereof.

A particularly useful class of polyanionic components include one or more polymeric materials having multiple anionic charges. Examples include, but are not limited to:

- 10 metal carboxy methylcelluloses
- metal carboxy methylhydroxyethylcelluloses
- metal carboxy methylstarchs
- metal carboxy methylhydroxyethylstarchs
- hydrolyzed polyacrylamides and polyacrylonitriles
- 15 heparin
- gucoaminoglycans
- hyaluronic acid
- chondroitin sulfate
- dermatan sulfate
- 20 peptides and polypeptides
- alginic acid
- metal alginates
- homopolymers and copolymers of one or more of:
 - acrylic and methacrylic acids
 - 25 metal acrylates and methacrylates
 - vinylsulfonic acid
 - metal vinylsulfonate
 - amino acids, such as aspartic acid, glutamic acid and the like
 - metal salts of amino acids
 - 30 p-styrenesulfonic acid
 - metal p-styrenesulfonate

2-methacryloyloxyethylsulfonic acids
metal 2-methacryloyloxethylsulfonates
3-methacryloyloxy-2-hydroxypropylsulfonic acids
metal 3-methacryloyloxy-2-
5 hydroxypropylsulfonates
2-acrylamido-2-methylpropanesulfonic acids
metal 2-acrylamido-2-methylpropanesulfonates
allylsulfonic acid
metal allylsulfonate and the like.

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One particularly useful emulsion stabilizing component includes crosslinked polyacrylates, such as carbomers and Pemulen® materials. Pemulen® is a registered trademark of B.F. Goodrich for polymeric emulsifiers and are commercially available from B.F. Goodrich Company, Specialty Polymers & Chemicals Division, Cleveland, Ohio. Pemulen® materials
15 include acrylate/C10-30 alkyl acrylate cross-polymers, or high molecular weight co-polymers of acrylic acid and a long chain alkyl methacrylate cross-linked with allyl ethers of pentaerythritol.

The presently useful polyanionic components may also be used to provide a suitable viscosity to the presently useful compositions. Thus, the polyanionic components may be useful in stabilizing the presently useful emulsions and in providing a suitable degree of viscosity to the
20 presently useful compositions.

The polyelectrolyte or emulsion stabilizing component advantageously is present in an amount effective to at least assist in stabilizing the cyclosporin component-containing emulsion. For example, the polyelectrolyte/emulsion stabilizing component may be present in an amount in a range of about 0.01% by weight or less to about 1% by weight or more, preferably about 0.02%
25 by weight to about 0.5% by weight, of the composition.

Any suitable tonicity component may be employed in accordance with the present invention. Preferably, such tonicity component is non-ionic, for example, in order to avoid interfering with the other components in the presently useful emulsions and to facilitate maintaining the stability of the emulsion prior to use. Useful tonicity agents include, without
30 limitation, glycerine, mannitol, sorbitol and the like and mixtures thereof. The presently useful emulsions are preferably within the range of plus or minus about 20% or about 10% from being

isotonic.

Ophthalmic demulcent components may be included in effective amounts in the presently useful compositions. For example, ophthalmic demulcent components such as carboxymethylcellulose, other cellulose polymers, dextran 70, gelatin, glycerine, polyethylene glycols (e.g., PEG 300 and PEG 400), polysorbate 80, propylene glycol, polyvinyl alcohol, povidone and the like and mixtures thereof, may be used in the present ophthalmic compositions, for example, compositions useful for treating dry eye.

The demulcent components are preferably present in the compositions, for example, in the form of eye drops, in an amount effective in enhancing the lubricity of the presently useful compositions. The amount of demulcent component in the present compositions may be in a range of at least about 0.01% or about 0.02% to about 0.5% or about 1.0% by weight of the composition.

Many of the presently useful polyelectrolyte/emulsion stabilizing components may also be effective as demulcent components, and vice versa. The emulsifier/surfactant components may also be effective as demulcent components and vice versa.

The pH of the emulsions can be adjusted in a conventional manner using sodium hydroxide and/or hydrochloric acid to a physiological pH level. The pH of the presently useful emulsions preferably is in the range of about 6 to about 10, more preferably about 7.0 to about 8.0 and still more preferably about 7.2 to about 7.6.

Although buffer components are not required in the presently useful compositions, suitable buffer components, for example, and without limitation, phosphates, citrates, acetates, borates and the like and mixtures thereof, may be employed to maintain a suitable pH in the presently useful compositions.

The presently useful compositions may include an effective amount of a preservative component. Any suitable preservative or combination of preservatives may be employed. Examples of suitable preservatives include, without limitation, benzalkonium chloride, methyl and ethyl parabens, hexetidine, phenyl mercuric salts and the like and mixtures thereof. The amounts of preservative components included in the present compositions are such to be effective in preserving the compositions and can vary based on the specific preservative component employed, the specific composition involved, the specific application involved, and the like factors. Preservative concentrations often are in the range of about 0.00001% to about

0.05% or about 0.1% (w/v) of the composition, although other concentrations of certain preservatives may be employed.

Very useful examples of preservative components in the present invention include, but are not limited to, chlorite components. Specific examples of chlorite components useful as preservatives in accordance with the present invention include stabilized chlorine dioxide (SCD), metal chlorites such as alkali metal and alkaline earth metal chlorites, and the like and mixtures thereof. Technical grade (or USP grade) sodium chlorite is a very useful preservative component. The exact chemical composition of many chlorite components, for example, SCD, is not completely understood. The manufacture or production of certain chlorite components is described in McNicholas U.S. Patent 3,278,447, which is incorporated in its entirety by reference herein. Specific examples of useful SCD products include that sold under the trademark Dura Klor by Rio Linda Chemical Company, Inc., and that sold under the trademark Anthium Dioxide® by International Dioxide, Inc. An especially useful SCD is a product sold under the trademark Bio-Cide® by Bio-Cide International, Inc., as well as a product identified by Allergan, Inc. by the trademark Purite®.

Other useful preservatives include antimicrobial peptides. Among the antimicrobial peptides which may be employed include, without limitation, defensins, peptides related to defensins, cecropins, peptides related to cecropins, magainins and peptides related to magainins and other amino acid polymers with antibacterial, antifungal and/or antiviral activities. Mixtures of antimicrobial peptides or mixtures of antimicrobial peptides with other preservatives are also included within the scope of the present invention.

The compositions of the present invention may include viscosity modifying agents or components, such as cellulose polymers, including hydroxypropyl methyl cellulose (HPMC), hydroxyethyl cellulose (HEC), ethyl hydroxyethyl cellulose, hydroxypropyl cellulose, methyl cellulose and carboxymethyl cellulose; carbomers (e.g. carbopol, and the like); polyvinyl alcohol; polyvinyl pyrrolidone; alginates; carrageenans; and guar, karaya, agarose, locust bean, tragacanth and xanthan gums. Such viscosity modifying components are employed, if at all, in an amount effective to provide a desired viscosity to the present compositions. The concentration of such viscosity modifiers will typically vary between about 0.01 to about 5 % w/v of the total composition, although other concentrations of certain viscosity modifying components may be employed.

The presently useful compositions may be produced using conventional and well known methods useful in producing ophthalmic products including oil-in-water emulsions.

In one example, the oily phase of the emulsion can be combined with the cyclosporin component to solubilize the cyclosporin component in the oily material phase. The oily phase and the water may be separately heated to an appropriate temperature. This temperature may be the same in both cases, generally a few degrees to about 10°C above the melting temperature of the ingredient(s) having the highest melting point in the case of a solid or semi-solid oily phase for emulsifier components in the oily phase. Where the oily phase is a liquid at room temperature, a suitable temperature for preparation of a composition may be determined by routine experimentation in which the melting point of the ingredients aside from the oily phase is determined. In cases where all components of either the oily phase or the water phase are soluble at room temperature, no heating may be necessary. Non-emulsifying agents which are water soluble are dissolved in the water and oil soluble components including the surfactant components are dissolved in the oily phase.

To create an oil-in-water emulsion, the final oil phase is gently mixed into either an intermediate, preferably de-ionized water, phase or into the final water phase to create a suitable dispersion and the product is allowed to cool with or without stirring. In the case where the final oil phase is first gently mixed into an intermediate water phase, the resulting emulsion concentrate is thereafter mixed in the appropriate ratio with the final aqueous phase. In such cases, the emulsion concentrate and the final aqueous phase may not be at the same temperature or heated above room temperature, as the emulsion may be already formed at this point.

The oil-in-water emulsions of the present invention can be sterilized after preparation using heat, for example, autoclave steam sterilization or can be sterile filtered using, for example, a 0.22 micron sterile filter. Sterilization employing a sterilization filter can be used when the emulsion droplet (or globule or particle) size and characteristics allows this. The droplet size distribution of the emulsion need not be entirely below the particle size cutoff of the 0.22 micron sterile filtration membrane to be sterile-filtratable. In cases wherein the droplet size distribution of the emulsion is above the particle size cutoff of the 0.22 micron sterile filtration membrane, the emulsion needs to be able to deform or change while passing through the filtration membrane and then reform after passing through. This property is easily determined by routine testing of emulsion droplet size distributions and percent of total oil in the compositions before and after

filtration. Alternatively, a loss of a small amount of larger droplet sized material may be acceptable.

The present oil-in-water emulsions preferably are thermodynamically stable, much like microemulsions, and yet may not be isotropic transparent compositions as are microemulsions.

5 The emulsions of the present invention advantageously have a shelf life exceeding one year at room temperature.

The following non-limiting examples illustrate certain aspects of the present invention.

EXAMPLE 1

10 Two compositions are selected for testing. These compositions are produced in accordance with well known techniques and have the following make-ups:

	<u>Composition I</u>	<u>Composition II</u>
	wt%	wt%
Cyclosporin	0.1	0.05
15 Castor Oil	1.25	1.25
Polysorbate 80	1.00	1.00
Premulen®	0.05	0.05
Glycerine	2.20	2.20
Sodium hydroxide	qs	qs
20 Purified Water	qs	qs
pH	7.2-7.6	7.2-7.6
Weight Ratio of Cyclosporin A to Castor Oil	0.08	0.04

25 These compositions are employed in a Phase 3, double-masked, randomized, parallel group study for the treatment of dry eye disease.

The results of this study indicate that Composition II, in accordance with the present invention, which has a reduced concentration of cyclosporin A and a cyclosporin A to castor oil ratio of less than 0.08, provides overall efficacy in treating dry eye disease substantially equal to
30 that of Composition I. This is surprising for a number of reasons. For example, the reduced concentration of cyclosporin A in Composition II would have been expected to result in reduced overall efficacy in treating dry eye disease. Also, the large amount of castor oil relative to the

amount of cyclosporin A in Composition II might have been expected to cause increased eye irritation relative to Composition I. However, both Composition I and Composition II are found to be substantially non-irritating in use.

5 Using relatively increased amounts of castor oil, with reduced amounts of cyclosporin component, as in Composition II, is believed to take advantage of the benefits, for example the ocular lubrication benefits, of castor oil, as well as the presence of ricinoleic acid in the castor oil, to at least assist in treating dry eye syndrome in combination with cyclosporin A.

10 In addition, it is found that the high concentration of castor oil relative to cyclosporin component, as in Composition II, provides the advantage of more quickly or rapidly (for example, relative to a composition which includes only 50% as much castor oil) breaking down or resolving the emulsion in the eye, for example, as measured by split-lamp techniques to monitor the composition in the eye for phase separation. Such rapid break down of the emulsion in the eye reduces vision distortion as the result of the presence of the emulsion in the eye, as well as facilitating the therapeutic effectiveness of the composition in treating dry eye disease.

15 Using reduced amounts of cyclosporin A, as in Composition II, to achieve therapeutic effectiveness mitigates even further against undesirable side effects and potential drug interactions. Prescribing physicians can provide (prescribe) Composition II to more patients and/or with fewer restrictions and/or with reduced risk of the occurrence of adverse events, e.g., side effects, drug interactions and the like, relative to providing Composition I.

20 While this invention has been described with respect to various specific examples and embodiments, it is to be understood that the invention is not limited thereto and that it can be variously practiced within the scope of the following claims.

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METHODS OF PROVIDING THERAPEUTIC EFFECTS
USING CYCLOSPORIN COMPONENTS

Related Application

5 This application is a continuation of copending U.S. Application Serial No. 11/897,177, filed August 28, 2007, which is a continuation of U.S. Application Serial No. 10/927,857, filed August 27, 2004, now abandoned, which claimed the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/503,137 filed September 15, 2003, which-is are incorporated in ~~its~~ their entirety herein by reference.

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Background of the Invention

The present invention relates to methods of providing desired therapeutic effects to humans or animals using compositions including cyclosporin components. More particularly, the invention relates to methods including administering to an eye of a human or animal a therapeutically effective amount of a cyclosporin component to provide a desired therapeutic effect, preferably a desired ophthalmic or ocular therapeutic effect.

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The use of cyclosporin-A and cyclosporin A derivatives to treat ophthalmic conditions has been the subject of various patents, for example Ding et al U.S. Patent 5,474,979; Garst U.S. Patent 6,254,860; and Garst U.S. 6,350,442, this disclosure of each of which is incorporated in its entirety herein by reference. In addition, cyclosporin A compositions used in treating ophthalmic conditions is the subject of a number of publications. Such publications include, for example, "Blood concentrations of cyclosporin a during long-term treatment with cyclosporin a ophthalmic emulsions in patients with moderate to severe dry eye disease," Small et al, *J Ocul Pharmacol Ther*, 2002 Oct, 18(5):411-8; "Distribution of cyclosporin A in ocular tissues after topical administration to albino rabbits and beagle dogs," Acheampong et al, *Curr Eye Res*, 1999 Feb, 18(2):91-103b; "Cyclosporine distribution into the conjunctiva, cornea, lacrimal gland, and systemic blood following topical dosing of cyclosporine to rabbit, dog, and human eyes," Acheampong et al, *Adv Exp Med Biol*, 1998, 438:1001-4; "Preclinical safety studies of cyclosporine ophthalmic emulsion," Angelov et al, *Adv Exp Med Biol*, 1998, 438:991-5; "Cyclosporin & Emulsion & Eye," Stevenson et al, *Ophthalmology*, 2000 May, 107(5):967-74; and "Two multicenter, randomized studies of the efficacy and safety of cyclosporine ophthalmic

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emulsion in moderate to severe dry eye disease. CsA Phase 3 Study Group," Sall et al, *Ophthalmology*, 2000 Apr, 107(4):631-9. Each of these publications is incorporated in its entirety herein by reference. In addition, cyclosporin A-containing oil-in-water emulsions have been clinically tested, under conditions of confidentiality, since the mid 1990's in order to obtain U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regulatory approval.

Examples of useful cyclosporin A-containing emulsions are set out in Ding et al U.S. Patent 5,474,979. Example 1 of this patent shows a series of emulsions in which the ratio of cyclosporin A to castor oil in each of these compositions was 0.08 or greater, except for Composition B, which included 0.2% by weight cyclosporin A and 5% by weight castor oil. The Ding et al patent placed no significance in Composition B relative to Compositions A, C and D of Example 1.

Over time, it has become apparent that cyclosporin A emulsions for ophthalmic use preferably have less than 0.2% by weight of cyclosporin A. With cyclosporin A concentrations less than 0.2%, the amount of castor oil employed has been reduced since one of the functions of the castor oil is to solubilize the cyclosporin A. Thus, if reduced amounts of cyclosporin are employed, reduced amounts of castor oil are needed to provide effective solubilization of cyclosporin A.

There continues to be a need for providing enhanced methods of treating ophthalmic or ocular conditions with cyclosporin-containing emulsions.

Summary of the Invention

New methods of treating a human or animal using cyclosporin component-containing emulsions have been discovered. Such methods provide substantial overall efficacy in providing desired therapeutic effects. In addition, other important benefits are obtained employing the present methods. For example, patient safety is enhanced. In particular, the present methods provide for reduced risks of side effects and/or drug interactions. Prescribing physicians advantageously have increased flexibility in prescribing such methods and the compositions useful in such methods, for example, because of the reduced risks of harmful side effects and/or drug interactions. The present methods can be easily practiced. In short, the present methods provide substantial and acceptable overall efficacy, together with other advantages, such as increased safety and/or flexibility.

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In one aspect of the present invention, the present methods comprise administering to an eye of a human or animal a composition in the form of an emulsion comprising water, a hydrophobic component and a cyclosporin component in a therapeutically effective amount of less than 0.1% by weight of the composition. The weight ratio of the cyclosporin component to the hydrophobic component is less than 0.08.

It has been found that the relatively increased amounts of hydrophobic component together with relatively reduced, yet therapeutically effective, amounts of cyclosporin component provide substantial and advantageous benefits. For example, the overall efficacy of the present compositions, for example in treating dry eye disease, is substantially equal to an identical composition in which the cyclosporin component is present in an amount of 0.1% by weight. Further, a relatively high concentration of hydrophobic component is believed to provide for a more quick or rapid breaking down or resolving of the emulsion in the eye, which reduces vision distortion which may be caused by the presence of the emulsion in the eye and/or facilitates the therapeutic effectiveness of the composition. Additionally, and importantly, using reduced amounts of the active cyclosporin component mitigates against undesirable side effects and/or potential drug interactions.

In short, the present invention provides at least one advantageous benefit, and preferably a plurality of advantageous benefits.

The present methods are useful in treating any suitable condition which is therapeutically sensitive to or treatable with cyclosporin components. Such conditions preferably are ophthalmic or ocular conditions, that is relating to or having to do with one or more parts of an eye of a human or animal. Included among such conditions are, without limitation, dry eye syndrome, phacoanaphylactic endophthalmitis, uveitis, vernal conjunctivitis, atopic keratoconjunctivitis, corneal graft rejection and the like conditions. The present invention is particularly effective in treating dry eye syndrome. Cyclosporin has been found as effective in treating immune mediated keratoconjunctivitis sicca (KCS or dry eye disease) in a patient suffering therefrom. The activity of cyclosporins is as an immunosuppressant and in the enhancement or restoring of lacrimal gland tearing. Other conditions that can be treated with cyclosporin components include an absolute or partial deficiency in aqueous tear production (keratoconjunctivitis sicca, or KCS). Topical administration to a patient's tear deficient eye can increase tear production in the eye. The treatment can further serve to correct corneal and

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conjunctival disorders exacerbated by tear deficiency and KCS, such as corneal scarring, corneal ulceration, inflammation of the cornea or conjunctiva, filamentary keratitis, mucopurulent discharge and vascularization of the cornea.

Employing reduced concentrations of cyclosporin component, as in the present invention,
5 is advantageously effective to provide the blood of the human or animal under treatment with reduced concentrations of cyclosporin component, preferably with substantially no detectable concentration of the cyclosporin component. The cyclosporin component concentration of blood can be advantageously measured using a validated liquid chromatography/mass spectrometry-mass spectrometry (VLC/MS-MS) analytical method, such as described elsewhere herein.

10 In one embodiment, in the present methods the blood of the human or animal has concentrations of cyclosporin component of 0.1 ng/ml or less.

Any suitable cyclosporin component effective in the present methods may be used.

Cyclosporins are a group of nonpolar cyclic oligopeptides with known immunosuppressant activity. Cyclosporin A, along with several other minor metabolites,
15 cyclosporin B through I, have been identified. In addition, a number of synthetic analogs have been prepared.

In general, commercially available cyclosporins may contain a mixture of several individual cyclosporins which all share a cyclic peptide structure consisting of eleven amino acid residues with a total molecular weight of about 1,200, but with different substituents or
20 configurations of some of the amino acids.

The term "cyclosporin component" as used herein is intended to include any individual member of the cyclosporin group and derivatives thereof, as well as mixtures of two or more individual cyclosporins and derivatives thereof.

Particularly preferred cyclosporin components include, without limitation, cyclosporin A,
25 derivatives of cyclosporin A and the like and mixtures thereof. Cyclosporin A is an especially useful cyclosporin component.

Any suitable hydrophobic component may be employed in the present invention. Advantageously, the cyclosporin component is solubilized in the hydrophobic component. The hydrophobic component may be considered as comprising a discontinuous phase in the presently
30 useful cyclosporin component-containing emulsions.

The hydrophobic component preferably is present in the emulsion compositions in an

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amount greater than about 0.625% by weight. For example, the hydrophobic component may be present in an amount of up to about 1.0% by weight or about 1.5% by weight or more of the composition.

5 Preferably, the hydrophobic component comprises one or more oily materials. Examples of useful oil materials include, without limitation, vegetable oils, animal oils, mineral oils, synthetic oils and the like and mixtures thereof. In a very useful embodiment, the hydrophobic component comprises one or more higher fatty acid glycerides. Excellent results are obtained when the hydrophobic component comprises castor oil.

10 The presently useful compositions may include one or more other components in amounts effective to facilitate the usefulness and effectiveness of the compositions. Examples of such other components include, without limitation, emulsifier components, tonicity components, polyelectrolyte components, surfactant components, viscosity inducing components, acids and/or bases to adjust the pH of the composition, buffer components, preservative components and the like. Components may be employed which are effective to perform two or more functions in the
15 presently useful compositions. For example, components which are effective as both emulsifiers and surfactants may be employed, and/or components which are effective as both polyelectrolyte components and viscosity inducing components may be employed. The specific composition chosen for use in the present invention advantageously is selected taking into account various factors present in the specific application at hand, for example, the desired therapeutic effect to
20 be achieved, the desired properties of the compositions to be employed, the sensitivities of the human or animal to whom the composition is to be administered, and the like factors.

The presently useful compositions advantageously are ophthalmically acceptable. A composition, component or material is ophthalmically acceptable when it is compatible with ocular tissue, that is, it does not cause significant or undue detrimental effects when brought into
25 contact with ocular tissues.

Such compositions have pH's within the physiological range of about 6 to about 10, preferably in a range of about 7.0 to about 8.0 and more preferably in a range of about 7.2 to about 7.6.

30 The present methods preferably provide for an administering step comprising topically administering the presently useful compositions to the eye or eyes of a human or animal.

Each and every feature described herein, and each and every combination of two or more

of such features, is included within the scope of the present invention provided that the features included in such a combination are not mutually inconsistent.

These and other aspects and advantages of the present invention are apparent in the following detailed description, example and claims.

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Detailed Description

The present methods are effective for treating an eye of a human or animal. Such methods, in general, comprise administering, preferably topically administering, to an eye of a human or animal a cyclosporin component-containing emulsion. The emulsion contains water,
10 for example U.S. pure water, a hydrophobic component and a cyclosporin component in a therapeutically effective amount of less than 0.1% by weight of the emulsion. In addition, beneficial results have been found when the weight ratio of the cyclosporin component to the hydrophobic component is less than 0.08.

As noted above, the present administering step preferably includes topically
15 administering the emulsion to the eye of a patient of a human or animal. Such administering may involve a single use of the presently useful compositions, or repeated or periodic use of such compositions, for example, as required or desired to achieve the therapeutic effect to be obtained. The topical administration of the presently useful composition may involve providing the composition in the form of eye drops or similar form or other form so as to facilitate such topical
20 administration.

The present methods have been found to be very effective in providing the desired therapeutic effect or effects while, at the same time, substantially reducing, or even substantially eliminating, side effects which may result from the presence of the cyclosporin component in the blood of the human or animal being treated, and eye irritation which, in the past, has been caused
25 by the presence of certain components in prior art cyclosporin-containing emulsions. Also, the use of the present compositions which include reduced amounts of the cyclosporin components allow for more frequent administration of the present compositions to achieve the desired therapeutic effect or effects without substantially increasing the risk of side effects and/or eye irritation.

30 The present methods are useful in treating any condition which is therapeutically sensitive to or treatable with cyclosporin components. Such conditions preferably are

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ophthalmic or ocular conditions, that is relating to or having to do with one or more parts of an eye of a human or animal. Included among such conditions are, without limitation, dry eye syndrome, phacoanaphylactic endophthalmitis, uveitis, vernal conjunctivitis, atopic kerapoconjunctivitis, corneal graft rejection and the like conditions. The present invention is particularly effective in treating dry eye syndrome.

The frequency of administration and the amount of the presently useful composition to use during each administration varies depending upon the therapeutic effect to be obtained, the severity of the condition being treated and the like factors. The presently useful compositions are designed to allow the prescribing physician substantial flexibility in treating various ocular conditions to achieve the desired therapeutic effect or effects with reduced risk of side effects and/or eye irritation. Such administration may occur on an as needed basis, for example, in treating or managing dry eye syndrome, on a one time basis or on a repeated or periodic basis once, twice, thrice or more times daily depending on the needs of the human or animal being treated and other factors involved in the application at hand.

One of the important advantages of the present invention is the reduced concentration of the cyclosporin component in the blood of the human or animal as a result of administering the present composition as described herein. One very useful embodiment of the present administering step provides no substantial detectable concentration of cyclosporin component in the blood of the human or animal. Cyclosporin component concentration in blood preferably is determined using a liquid chromatography-mass spectroscopy-mass spectroscopy (LC-MS/MS), which test has a cyclosporin component detection limit of 0.1 ng/ml. Cyclosporin component concentrations below or less than 0.1 ng/ml are therefore considered substantially undetectable.

The LC-MS/MS test is advantageously run as follows.

One ml of blood is acidified with 0.2 ml of 0.1 N HCl solution, then extracted with 5 ml of methyl t-butyl ether. After separation from the acidified aqueous layer, the organic phase is neutralized with 2 ml of 0.1 N NaOH, evaporated, reconstituted in a water/acetonitrile-based mobil phase, and injected onto a 2.1 x 50 mm, 3µm pore size C-8 reverse phase high pressure liquid chromatography (HPLC) column (Keystone Scientific, Bellefonte, PA). Compounds are gradient-eluted at 0.2 mL/min and detected using an API III triple quadrupole mass spectrometer with a turbo-ionspray source (PE-Sciex, Concord, Ontario, Canada). Molecular reaction monitoring enhances the sensitivity and selectivity of this assay. Protonated molecules for the

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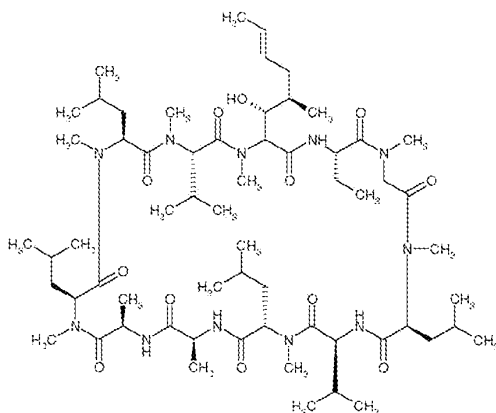
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analyte and an internal standard are collisionally dissociated and product ions at m/z 425 are monitored for the analyte and the internal standard. Under these conditions, cyclosporin A and the internal standard cyclosporin G elute with retention times of about 3.8 minutes. The lower limit of quantitation is 0.1 ng/mL, at which concentration the coefficient of variation and deviation from nominal concentration is <15%.

As noted previously, any suitable cyclosporin component effective in the present methods may be employed. Very useful cyclosporin components include, without limitation, cyclosporin A, derivatives of cyclosporin A and the like and mixtures thereof.

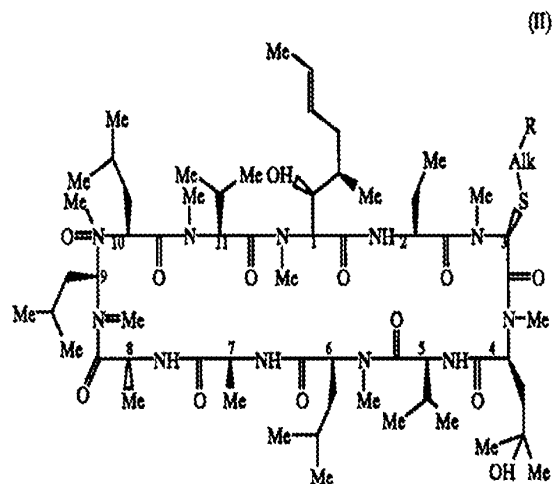
The chemical structure for cyclosporin A is represented by Formula 1

Formula 1

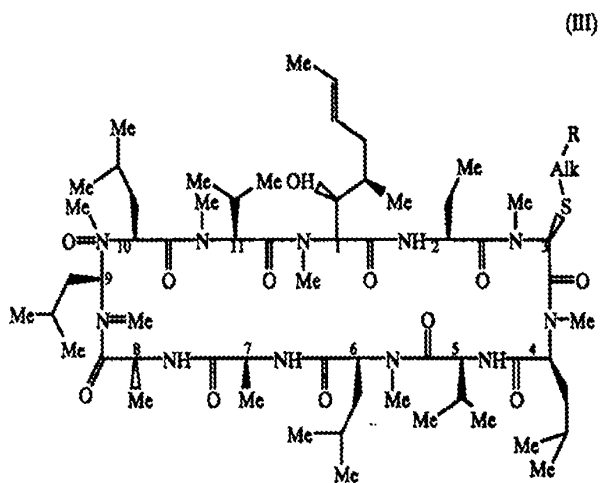


As used herein the term “derivatives” of a cyclosporin refer to compounds having structures sufficiently similar to the cyclosporin so as to function in a manner substantially similar to or substantially identical to the cyclosporin, for example, cyclosporin A, in the present methods. Included, without limitation, within the useful cyclosporin A derivatives are those selected from ((R)-methylthio-Sar)³-(4'-hydroxy-MeLeu) cyclosporin A, ((R)-(Cyclo)alkylthio-Sar)³-(4'-hydroxy-MeLeu)⁴-cyclosporin A, and ((R)-(Cyclo)alkylthio-Sar)³-cyclosporin A derivatives described below.

These cyclosporin derivatives are represented by the following general formulas (II), (III), and (IV) respectively:

Formula II

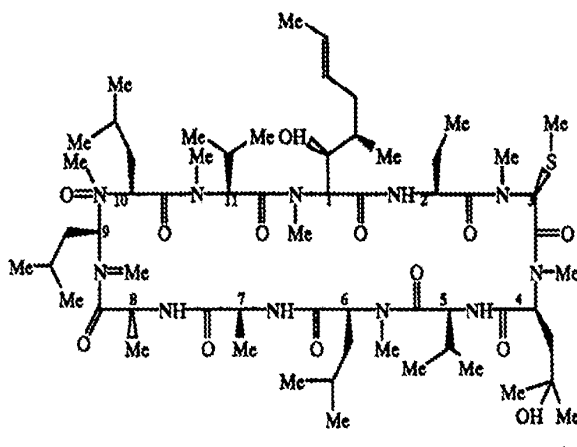
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Formula III

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Formula IV

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wherein Me is methyl; Alk is 2-6C alkylene or 3-6C cycloalkylene; R is OH, COOH,
alkoxycarbonyl, -NR₁R₂ or N(R₃)C(CH₂)CNR₁R₂; wherein R₁, R₂ is H, alkyl, 3-6C cycloalkyl,
5 phenyl (optionally substituted by halo, alkoxy, alkoxycarbonyl, amino, alkylamino or
dialkylamino), benzyl or saturated or unsaturated heterocyclyl having 5 or 6 members and 1-3
heteroatoms; or NR₁R₂ is a 5 or 6 membered heterocycle which may contain a further N, O or S
heteroatom and may be alkylated; R₃ is H or alkyl and n is 2-4; and the alkyl moieties contain 1-
4C.

10 In one embodiment, the cyclosporin component is effective as an immunosuppressant.
Without wishing to be limited to any particular theory of operation, it is believed that, in certain
embodiments of the present invention, the cyclosporin component acts to enhance or restore
lacrimal gland tearing in providing the desired therapeutic effect.

One important feature of the present invention is that the presently useful compositions
15 contain less than 0.1% by weight of the cyclosporin component. The advantages of such low-
concentrations of cyclosporin components have been discussed in some detail elsewhere herein.
Low concentrations of cyclosporin component, together with concentrations of the hydrophobic
component such that the weight ratio of cyclosporin component to hydrophobic component is
greater than 0.08, provides one or more substantial advantages in the present methods.

20 Any suitable hydrophobic component may be employed in the present invention. Such
hydrophobic component may be considered as comprising a discontinuous phase in the presently
useful cyclosporin component-containing emulsions, with the water or aqueous phase being

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considered the continuous phase in such emulsion. The hydrophobic component is preferably selected so as to solubilize the cyclosporin component, which is often substantially insoluble in the aqueous phase. Thus, with a suitable hydrophobic component included in the presently useful emulsions, the cyclosporin component is preferably solubilized in the emulsions.

5 In one very useful embodiment, the hydrophobic component comprises an oily material, in particular, a material which is substantially not miscible in water. Examples of useful oily materials include, without limitation, vegetable oils, animal oils, mineral oils, synthetic oils, and the like and mixtures thereof. Thus, the present hydrophilic components may comprise naturally occurring oils, including, without limitation refined naturally occurring oils, or naturally
10 occurring oils which have been processed to alter their chemical structures to some extent or oils which are substantially entirely synthetic. One very useful hydrophobic component includes higher fatty acid glycerides.

Examples of useful hydrophobic components include, without limitation, olive oil, arachis oil, castor oil, mineral oil, silicone fluid and the like and mixtures thereof. Higher fatty
15 acid glycerides such as olive oil, peanut oil, castor oil and the like and mixtures thereof are particularly useful in the present invention. Excellent results are obtained using a hydrophobic component comprising castor oil. Without wishing to limit the invention to any particular theory of operation, it is believed that castor oil includes a relatively high concentration of ricinoleic acid which itself may be useful in benefitting ocular tissue and/or in providing one or more
20 therapeutic effects when administered to an eye.

The hydrophobic component is preferably present in the presently useful cyclosporin component-containing emulsion compositions in an amount greater than about 0.625% by weight. For example, the hydrophobic component may be present in an amount up to about
25 0.75% by weight or about 1.0% by weight or about 1.5% by weight or more of the presently useful emulsion compositions.

The presently useful compositions may include one or more other components in amounts effective to facilitate the usefulness and effectiveness of the present methods and/or the presently useful compositions. Examples of such other components include, without limitation,
30 emulsifier components, surfactant components, tonicity components, poly electrolyte components, emulsion stability components, viscosity inducing components, demulcent components, acid and/or bases to adjust the pH of the composition, buffer components,

preservative components and the like.

In one very useful embodiment, the presently useful compositions are substantially free of preservatives. Thus, the presently useful compositions may be sterilized and maintained in a sterile condition prior to use, for example, provided in a sealed package or otherwise maintained
5 in a substantially sterile condition.

Any suitable emulsifier component may be employed in the presently useful compositions, provided, that such emulsifier component is effective in forming maintaining the emulsion and/or in the hydrophobic component in emulsion, while having no significant or undue detrimental effect or effects on the compositions during storage or use.

10 In addition, the presently useful compositions, as well as each of the components of the present compositions in the concentration present in the composition advantageously are ophthalmically acceptable.

Useful emulsifier components may be selected from such component which are conventionally used and well known in the art. Examples of such emulsifier components
15 include, without limitation, surface active components or surfactant components which may be anionic, cationic, nonionic or amphoteric in nature. In general, the emulsifier component includes a hydrophobic constituent and a hydrophilic constituent. Advantageously, the emulsifier component is water soluble in the presently useful compositions. Preferably, the emulsifier component is nonionic. Specific examples of suitable emulsifier components include,
20 without limitation, polysorbate 80, polyoxyalkylene alkylene ethers, polyalkylene oxide ethers of alkyl alcohols, polyalkylene oxide ethers of alkylphenols, other emulsifiers/surfactants, preferably nonionic emulsifiers/surfactants, useful in ophthalmic compositions, and the like and mixtures thereof.

The emulsifier component is present in an amount effective in forming the present
25 emulsion and/or in maintaining the hydrophobic component in emulsion with the water or aqueous component. In one preferred embodiment, the emulsifier component is present in an amount in a range of about 0.1% to about 5%, more preferably about 0.2% to about 2% and still more preferably about 0.5% to about 1.5% by weight of the presently useful compositions.

30 Polyelectrolyte or emulsion stabilizing components may be included in the presently useful compositions. Such components are believed to be effective in maintaining the electrolyte balance in the presently useful emulsions, thereby stabilizing the emulsions and preventing the

emulsions from breaking down prior to use. In one embodiment, the presently useful compositions include a polyanionic component effective as an emulsion stabilizing component. Examples of suitable polyanionic components useful in the presently useful compositions include, without limitation, anionic cellulose derivatives, anionic acrylic acid-containing polymers, anionic methacrylic acid-containing polymers, anionic amino acid-containing polymers and the like and mixtures thereof.

A particularly useful class of polyanionic components include one or more polymeric materials having multiple anionic charges. Examples include, but are not limited to:

- 10 metal carboxy methylcelluloses
- metal carboxy methylhydroxyethylcelluloses
- metal carboxy methylstarchs
- metal carboxy methylhydroxyethylstarchs
- hydrolyzed polyacrylamides and polyacrylonitriles
- 15 heparin
- gucoaminoglycans
- hyaluronic acid
- chondroitin sulfate
- dermatan sulfate
- 20 peptides and polypeptides
- alginate acid
- metal alginates
- homopolymers and copolymers of one or more of:
 - acrylic and methacrylic acids
 - 25 metal acrylates and methacrylates
 - vinylsulfonic acid
 - metal vinylsulfonate
 - amino acids, such as aspartic acid, glutamic acid and the like
 - metal salts of amino acids
 - 30 p-styrenesulfonic acid
 - metal p-styrenesulfonate

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- 2-methacryloyloxyethylsulfonic acids
- metal 2-methacryloyloxethylsulfonates
- 3-methacryloyloxy-2-hydroxypropylsulfonic acids
- metal 3-methacryloyloxy-2-
- 5 hydroxypropylsulfonates
- 2-acrylamido-2-methylpropanesulfonic acids
- metal 2-acrylamido-2-methylpropanesulfonates
- allylsulfonic acid
- metal allylsulfonate and the like.

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One particularly useful emulsion stabilizing component includes crosslinked polyacrylates, such as carbomers and Pemulen® materials. Pemulen® is a registered trademark of B.F. Goodrich for polymeric emulsifiers and are commercially available from B.F. Goodrich Company, Specialty Polymers & Chemicals Division, Cleveland, Ohio. Pemulen® materials include acrylate/C10-30 alkyl acrylate cross-polymers, or high molecular weight co-polymers of acrylic acid and a long chain alkyl methacrylate cross-linked with allyl ethers of pentaerythritol.

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The presently useful polyanionic components may also be used to provide a suitable viscosity to the presently useful compositions. Thus, the polyanionic components may be useful in stabilizing the presently useful emulsions and in providing a suitable degree of viscosity to the presently useful compositions.

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The polyelectrolyte or emulsion stabilizing component advantageously is present in an amount effective to at least assist in stabilizing the cyclosporin component-containing emulsion. For example, the polyelectrolyte/emulsion stabilizing component may be present in an amount in a range of about 0.01% by weight or less to about 1% by weight or more, preferably about 0.02% by weight to about 0.5% by weight, of the composition.

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Any suitable tonicity component may be employed in accordance with the present invention. Preferably, such tonicity component is non-ionic, for example, in order to avoid interfering with the other components in the presently useful emulsions and to facilitate maintaining the stability of the emulsion prior to use. Useful tonicity agents include, without limitation, glycerine, mannitol, sorbitol and the like and mixtures thereof. The presently useful emulsions are preferably within the range of plus or minus about 20% or about 10% from being

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isotonic.

Ophthalmic demulcent components may be included in effective amounts in the presently useful compositions. For example, ophthalmic demulcent components such as carboxymethylcellulose, other cellulose polymers, dextran 70, gelatin, glycerine, polyethylene glycols (e.g., PEG 300 and PEG 400), polysorbate 80, propylene glycol, polyvinyl alcohol, povidone and the like and mixtures thereof, may be used in the present ophthalmic compositions, for example, compositions useful for treating dry eye.

The demulcent components are preferably present in the compositions, for example, in the form of eye drops, in an amount effective in enhancing the lubricity of the presently useful compositions. The amount of demulcent component in the present compositions may be in a range of at least about 0.01% or about 0.02% to about 0.5% or about 1.0% by weight of the composition.

Many of the presently useful polyelectrolyte/emulsion stabilizing components may also be effective as demulcent components, and vice versa. The emulsifier/surfactant components may also be effective as demulcent components and vice versa.

The pH of the emulsions can be adjusted in a conventional manner using sodium hydroxide and/or hydrochloric acid to a physiological pH level. The pH of the presently useful emulsions preferably is in the range of about 6 to about 10, more preferably about 7.0 to about 8.0 and still more preferably about 7.2 to about 7.6.

Although buffer components are not required in the presently useful compositions, suitable buffer components, for example, and without limitation, phosphates, citrates, acetates, borates and the like and mixtures thereof, may be employed to maintain a suitable pH in the presently useful compositions.

The presently useful compositions may include an effective amount of a preservative component. Any suitable preservative or combination of preservatives may be employed. Examples of suitable preservatives include, without limitation, benzalkonium chloride, methyl and ethyl parabens, hexetidine, phenyl mercuric salts and the like and mixtures thereof. The amounts of preservative components included in the present compositions are such to be effective in preserving the compositions and can vary based on the specific preservative component employed, the specific composition involved, the specific application involved, and the like factors. Preservative concentrations often are in the range of about 0.00001% to about

0.05% or about 0.1% (w/v) of the composition, although other concentrations of certain preservatives may be employed.

Very useful examples of preservative components in the present invention include, but are not limited to, chlorite components. Specific examples of chlorite components useful as preservatives in accordance with the present invention include stabilized chlorine dioxide (SCD), metal chlorites such as alkali metal and alkaline earth metal chlorites, and the like and mixtures thereof. Technical grade (or USP grade) sodium chlorite is a very useful preservative component. The exact chemical composition of many chlorite components, for example, SCD, is not completely understood. The manufacture or production of certain chlorite components is described in McNicholas U.S. Patent 3,278,447, which is incorporated in its entirety by reference herein. Specific examples of useful SCD products include that sold under the trademark Dura Klor by Rio Linda Chemical Company, Inc., and that sold under the trademark Anthium Dioxide® by International Dioxide, Inc. An especially useful SCD is a product sold under the trademark Bio-Cide® by Bio-Cide International, Inc., as well as a product identified by Allergan, Inc. by the trademark Purite®.

Other useful preservatives include antimicrobial peptides. Among the antimicrobial peptides which may be employed include, without limitation, defensins, peptides related to defensins, cecropins, peptides related to cecropins, magainins and peptides related to magainins and other amino acid polymers with antibacterial, antifungal and/or antiviral activities. Mixtures of antimicrobial peptides or mixtures of antimicrobial peptides with other preservatives are also included within the scope of the present invention.

The compositions of the present invention may include viscosity modifying agents or components, such as cellulose polymers, including hydroxypropyl methyl cellulose (HPMC), hydroxyethyl cellulose (HEC), ethyl hydroxyethyl cellulose, hydroxypropyl cellulose, methyl cellulose and carboxymethyl cellulose; carbomers (e.g. carbopol, and the like); polyvinyl alcohol; polyvinyl pyrrolidone; alginates; carrageenans; and guar, karaya, agarose, locust bean, tragacanth and xanthan gums. Such viscosity modifying components are employed, if at all, in an amount effective to provide a desired viscosity to the present compositions. The concentration of such viscosity modifiers will typically vary between about 0.01 to about 5 % w/v of the total composition, although other concentrations of certain viscosity modifying components may be employed.

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The presently useful compositions may be produced using conventional and well known methods useful in producing ophthalmic products including oil-in-water emulsions.

In one example, the oily phase of the emulsion can be combined with the cyclosporin component to solubilize the cyclosporin component in the oily material phase. The oily phase and the water may be separately heated to an appropriate temperature. This temperature may be the same in both cases, generally a few degrees to about 10°C above the melting temperature of the ingredient(s) having the highest melting point in the case of a solid or semi-solid oily phase for emulsifier components in the oily phase. Where the oily phase is a liquid at room temperature, a suitable temperature for preparation of a composition may be determined by routine experimentation in which the melting point of the ingredients aside from the oily phase is determined. In cases where all components of either the oily phase or the water phase are soluble at room temperature, no heating may be necessary. Non-emulsifying agents which are water soluble are dissolved in the water and oil soluble components including the surfactant components are dissolved in the oily phase.

To create an oil-in-water emulsion, the final oil phase is gently mixed into either an intermediate, preferably de-ionized water, phase or into the final water phase to create a suitable dispersion and the product is allowed to cool with or without stirring. In the case where the final oil phase is first gently mixed into an intermediate water phase, the resulting emulsion concentrate is thereafter mixed in the appropriate ratio with the final aqueous phase. In such cases, the emulsion concentrate and the final aqueous phase may not be at the same temperature or heated above room temperature, as the emulsion may be already formed at this point.

The oil-in-water emulsions of the present invention can be sterilized after preparation using heat, for example, autoclave steam sterilization or can be sterile filtered using, for example, a 0.22 micron sterile filter. Sterilization employing a sterilization filter can be used when the emulsion droplet (or globule or particle) size and characteristics allows this. The droplet size distribution of the emulsion need not be entirely below the particle size cutoff of the 0.22 micron sterile filtration membrane to be sterile-filtratable. In cases wherein the droplet size distribution of the emulsion is above the particle size cutoff of the 0.22 micron sterile filtration membrane, the emulsion needs to be able to deform or change while passing through the filtration membrane and then reform after passing through. This property is easily determined by routine testing of emulsion droplet size distributions and percent of total oil in the compositions before and after

filtration. Alternatively, a loss of a small amount of larger droplet sized material may be acceptable.

The present oil-in-water emulsions preferably are thermodynamically stable, much like microemulsions, and yet may not be isotropic transparent compositions as are microemulsions.

- 5 The emulsions of the present invention advantageously have a shelf life exceeding one year at room temperature.

The following non-limiting examples illustrate certain aspects of the present invention.

EXAMPLE 1

- 10 Two compositions are selected for testing. These compositions are produced in accordance with well known techniques and have the following make-ups:

	<u>Composition I</u>	<u>Composition II</u>
	wt%	wt%
Cyclosporin	0.1	0.05
15 Castor Oil	1.25	1.25
Polysorbate 80	1.00	1.00
Premulen®	0.05	0.05
Glycerine	2.20	2.20
Sodium hydroxide	qs	qs
20 Purified Water	qs	qs
pH	7.2-7.6	7.2-7.6
Weight Ratio of Cyclosporin A to Castor Oil	0.08	0.04

- 25 These compositions are employed in a Phase 3, double-masked, randomized, parallel group study for the treatment of dry eye disease.

- The results of this study indicate that Composition II, in accordance with the present invention, which has a reduced concentration of cyclosporin A and a cyclosporin A to castor oil ratio of less than 0.08, provides overall efficacy in treating dry eye disease substantially equal to
30 that of Composition I. This is surprising for a number of reasons. For example, the reduced concentration of cyclosporin A in Composition II would have been expected to result in reduced overall efficacy in treating dry eye disease. Also, the large amount of castor oil relative to the

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amount of cyclosporin A in Composition II might have been expected to cause increased eye irritation relative to Composition I. However, both Composition I and Composition II are found to be substantially non-irritating in use.

5 Using relatively increased amounts of castor oil, with reduced amounts of cyclosporin component, as in Composition II, is believed to take advantage of the benefits, for example the ocular lubrication benefits, of castor oil, as well as the presence of ricinoleic acid in the castor oil, to at least assist in treating dry eye syndrome in combination with cyclosporin A.

10 In addition, it is found that the high concentration of castor oil relative to cyclosporin component, as in Composition II, provides the advantage of more quickly or rapidly (for example, relative to a composition which includes only 50% as much castor oil) breaking down or resolving the emulsion in the eye, for example, as measured by split-lamp techniques to monitor the composition in the eye for phase separation. Such rapid break down of the emulsion in the eye reduces vision distortion as the result of the presence of the emulsion in the eye, as well as facilitating the therapeutic effectiveness of the composition in treating dry eye disease.

15 Using reduced amounts of cyclosporin A, as in Composition II, to achieve therapeutic effectiveness mitigates even further against undesirable side effects and potential drug interactions. Prescribing physicians can provide (prescribe) Composition II to more patients and/or with fewer restrictions and/or with reduced risk of the occurrence of adverse events, e.g., side effects, drug interactions and the like, relative to providing Composition I.

20 While this invention has been described with respect to various specific examples and embodiments, it is to be understood that the invention is not limited thereto and that it can be variously practiced within the scope of the following claims.

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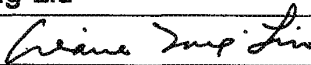
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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

The time period for reply, if any, is set in the attached communication.

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Office Action Summary

Application No. 13/961,828

Applicant(s) ACHEAMPONG ET AL.

Examiner MARCELA M. CORDERO GARCIA

Art Unit 1658

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- 1) [X] Responsive to communication(s) filed on 8/7/2013.
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2a) [] This action is FINAL. 2b) [] This action is non-final.
3) [] An election was made by the applicant in response to a restriction requirement set forth during the interview on _____.
4) [] Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under Ex parte Quayle, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 5) [X] Claim(s) 37-61 is/are pending in the application.
5a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
6) [] Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
7) [] Claim(s) _____ is/are rejected.
8) [] Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
9) [X] Claim(s) 37-61 are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

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- 10) [] The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
11) [] The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) [] accepted or b) [] objected to by the Examiner.
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Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) [] Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).

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- 1) [] Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
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3) [] Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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DETAILED ACTION

The present application is being examined under the pre-AIA first to invent provisions.

Election/Restrictions

This application contains claims directed to the following patentably distinct species: the many and multiple tonicity or demulcent agents, the many and multiple buffers to be used in the instantly claimed topical ophthalmic composition. The species are independent or distinct because each tonicity agent, demulcent agent and buffer corresponds to different physical and molecular compositions with different biochemical and biophysical properties, different pH, different solubility, different reactivity and so forth. In addition, these species are not obvious variants of each other based on the current record.

Applicant is required under 35 U.S.C. 121 to elect a single disclosed species, or a single grouping of patentably indistinct species [i.e., elect a single and specific tonicity and/or demulcent agent, and elect a single and specific buffer], for prosecution on the merits to which the claims shall be restricted if no generic claim is finally held to be allowable. Currently, claims 37-61 are generic.

There is a search and/or examination burden for the patentably distinct species as set forth above because at least the following reason(s) apply: a reference that would anticipate and/or make obvious one of the species would not necessarily anticipate and/or make obvious another species.

Applicant is advised that the reply to this requirement to be complete must include (i) an election of a species to be examined even though the requirement may be traversed (37 CFR 1.143) **and (ii) identification of the claims encompassing the elected species or grouping of patentably indistinct species**, including any claims subsequently added. An argument that a claim is allowable or that all claims are generic is considered nonresponsive unless accompanied by an election.

The election may be made with or without traverse. To preserve a right to petition, the election must be made with traverse. If the reply does not distinctly and specifically point out supposed errors in the election of species requirement, the election shall be treated as an election without traverse. Traversal must be presented at the time of election in order to be considered timely. Failure to timely traverse the requirement will result in the loss of right to petition under 37 CFR 1.144. If claims are added after the election, applicant must indicate which of these claims are readable on the elected species or grouping of patentably indistinct species.

Should applicant traverse on the ground that the species, or groupings of patentably indistinct species from which election is required, are not patentably distinct, applicant should submit evidence or identify such evidence now of record showing them to be obvious variants or clearly admit on the record that this is the case. In either instance, if the examiner finds one of the species unpatentable over the prior art, the evidence or admission may be used in a rejection under 35 U.S.C. 103 or pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. 103(a) of the other species.

Upon the allowance of a generic claim, applicant will be entitled to consideration of claims to additional species which depend from or otherwise require all the limitations of an allowable generic claim as provided by 37 CFR 1.141.

Applicant is reminded that upon the cancellation of claims to a non-elected invention, the inventorship must be corrected in compliance with 37 CFR 1.48(a) if one or more of the currently named inventors is no longer an inventor of at least one claim remaining in the application. A request to correct inventorship under 37 CFR 1.48(a) must be accompanied by an application data sheet in accordance with 37 CFR 1.76 that identifies each inventor by his or her legal name and by the processing fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(i).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to MARCELA M. CORDERO GARCIA whose telephone number is (571)272-2939. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 8:30-5:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Karlheinz R. Skowronek can be reached on (571)-272-9047. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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/MARCELA M CORDERO GARCIA/
Primary Examiner, Art Unit 1658

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For: METHODS OF PROVIDING
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Docket No.: 17618CON6 (AP)

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

These papers are filed in reply to the Restriction Requirement mailed October 25, 2013.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee which may be required in connection with this Amendment to deposit account No. 01-0885.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.

REMARKS

This Reply responds to the Office Action dated October 25, 2013.

Species Election

In response to the requirement for an election of species, the Applicants hereby provisionally elect the following species for examination, with traverse:

- a) Tonicity agent or demulcent component: glycerine (Claims 38, 54, 55, 57, 58, 59)
- b) Buffer: sodium hydroxide (Claims 40, 42, 45, 48, 54, 56, 57, 58, 59)

The Applicants hereby traverse the requirement for an election of species with respect to Claims 37-61. The Applicants submit that the species identified by the Examiner does not require an additional searching burden on the Office, and that the requirement for a species election is improper under the MPEP.

The Applicants also reserve the right to have the unelected species considered once the Examiner finds the elected species allowable.

Should the Examiner wish to discuss these or any other issues, please contact Laura L. Wine at (714)246-6996.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: December 2, 2013

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INTERVIEW SUMMARY, PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT, AND REMARKS

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Attached please find an interview summary, preliminary amendment to the claims, and accompanying remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begin at page 2;

Summary of the Interview begins at page 7;

Remarks follow on page 8.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following claims replace all prior versions of claims submitted in this application.

Only those claims being amended herein show their changes in highlighted form, where insertions appear as underlined text (e.g., insertions) while deletions appear as strikethrough or surrounded by double brackets (e.g. deletions or [[deletions]]).

1– 36. (Canceled)

37. (**Currently Amended**) A topical ophthalmic emulsion for treating an eye of a human having ~~KCS~~keratoconjunctivitis sicca, wherein the topical ophthalmic emulsion comprises cyclosporin A in an amount of about 0.05% by weight, polysorbate 80, ~~Penulen~~ acrylate/C10-30 alkyl acrylate cross-polymer, water, and castor oil in an amount of about 1.25% by weight; and wherein the topical ophthalmic emulsion is therapeutically effective in treating ~~KCS~~keratoconjunctivitis sicca.

38. (Previously Presented) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 37, wherein the topical ophthalmic emulsion further comprises a tonicity agent or a demulcent component.

39. (Previously Presented) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 38, wherein the tonicity agent or the demulcent component is glycerine.

40. (Previously Presented) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 37, wherein the topical ophthalmic emulsion further comprises a buffer.

41. (Previously Presented) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 40, wherein the buffer is sodium hydroxide.

42. (Previously Presented) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 37, wherein the topical ophthalmic emulsion further comprises glycerine and a buffer.

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43. (Previously Presented) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 37, wherein the topical ophthalmic emulsion comprises polysorbate 80 in an amount of about 1.0% by weight.

44. (**Currently Amended**) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 37, wherein the topical ophthalmic emulsion comprises ~~Penulen~~ acrylate/C10-30 alkyl acrylate cross-polymer in an amount of about 0.05% by weight.

45. (**Currently Amended**) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 37, wherein the topical ophthalmic emulsion further comprises glycerine in an amount of about 2.2% by weight, ~~water,~~ and a buffer.

46. (Previously Presented) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 45, wherein the buffer is sodium hydroxide.

47. (**Currently Amended**) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 37, wherein, when the topical ophthalmic emulsion is administered to an eye of a human in an effective amount in treating ~~KCS~~ keratoconjunctivitis sicca, the blood of the human has substantially no detectable concentration of cyclosporin A.

48. (Previously Presented) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 42, wherein the topical ophthalmic emulsion has a pH in the range of about 7.2 to about 7.6.

49. – 61. (Canceled)

62. (New) A topical ophthalmic emulsion for treating an eye of a human having dry eye, wherein the topical ophthalmic emulsion comprises cyclosporin A in an amount of about 0.05% by weight, polysorbate 80, acrylate/C10-30 alkyl acrylate cross-polymer, water, and castor oil in an amount of about 1.25% by weight; and

wherein the topical ophthalmic emulsion is therapeutically effective in treating dry eye.

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63. (New) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 62, wherein the topical ophthalmic emulsion further comprises a tonicity agent or a demulcent component.

64. (New) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 63, wherein the tonicity agent or the demulcent component is glycerine.

65. (New) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 62, wherein the topical ophthalmic emulsion further comprises a buffer.

66. (New) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 65, wherein the buffer is sodium hydroxide.

67. (New) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 62, wherein the topical ophthalmic emulsion further comprises glycerine and a buffer.

68. (New) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 62, wherein the topical ophthalmic emulsion comprises polysorbate 80 in an amount of about 1.0% by weight.

69. (New) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 62, wherein the topical ophthalmic emulsion comprises acrylate/C10-30 alkyl acrylate cross-polymer in an amount of about 0.05% by weight.

70. (New) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 62, wherein the topical ophthalmic emulsion further comprises glycerine in an amount of about 2.2% by weight and a buffer.

71. (New) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 70, wherein the buffer is sodium hydroxide.

72. (New) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 62, wherein, when the topical ophthalmic emulsion is administered to an eye of a human in an effective amount in treating dry eye, the blood of the human has substantially no detectable concentration of cyclosporin A.

73. (New) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 67, wherein the topical ophthalmic emulsion has a pH in the range of about 7.2 to about 7.6.

74. (New) A topical ophthalmic emulsion for increasing tear production in an eye of a human having keratoconjunctivitis sicca, wherein the topical ophthalmic emulsion comprises cyclosporin A in an amount of about 0.05% by weight, polysorbate 80, acrylate/C10-30 alkyl acrylate cross-polymer, water, and castor oil in an amount of about 1.25% by weight; and

wherein the topical ophthalmic emulsion is therapeutically effective in increasing tear production in the eye of the human having keratoconjunctivitis sicca.

75. (New) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 74, wherein the topical ophthalmic emulsion further comprises a tonicity agent or a demulcent component.

76. (New) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 75, wherein the tonicity agent or the demulcent component is glycerine.

77. (New) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 74, wherein the topical ophthalmic emulsion further comprises a buffer.

78. (New) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 77, wherein the buffer is sodium hydroxide.

79. (New) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 74, wherein the topical ophthalmic emulsion further comprises glycerine and a buffer.

80. (New) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 74, wherein the topical ophthalmic emulsion comprises polysorbate 80 in an amount of about 1.0% by weight.

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81. (New) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 74, wherein the topical ophthalmic emulsion comprises acrylate/C10-30 alkyl acrylate cross-polymer in an amount of about 0.05% by weight.

82. (New) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 74, wherein the topical ophthalmic emulsion further comprises glycerine in an amount of about 2.2% by weight and a buffer.

83. (New) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 82, wherein the buffer is sodium hydroxide.

84. (New) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 74, wherein, when the topical ophthalmic emulsion is administered to an eye of a human in an effective amount in increasing tear production in the eye of the human having keratoconjunctivitis sicca, the blood of the human has substantially no detectable concentration of cyclosporin A.

85. (New) The topical ophthalmic emulsion of Claim 79, wherein the topical ophthalmic emulsion has a pH in the range of about 7.2 to about 7.6.

SUMMARY OF INTERVIEW

Attendees, Date and Type of Interview

A telephone interview was conducted on December 4, 2013 and was attended by Examiner Cordero Garcia and Laura L. Wine.

Identification of Claims Discussed

The Claims were discussed.

Identification of References Discussed

U.S. Patent No. 5,474,979 to Ding et al. (“Ding”) and U.S. Application Serial No. 10/621,053 (published as U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2005/0014691 and issued as US 6,984,628 to “Bakhit”) were discussed.

Principal Arguments and Other Matters

The Applicants proposed presenting data and evidence to support the patentability of the pending claims in the form of declarations under 37 C.F.R. § 1.131 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.132.

Results of Interview

It was agreed that the Applicants would submit data and evidence to support the patentability of the pending claims.

REMARKS

Claim amendments and remarks are filed herewith in response to the December 4, 2013 interview. Claims 49-61 are newly cancelled. Claims 37, 44, 45, and 47 have been amended. Claims 62-85 are new. Thus, Claims 37-48 and 62-85 are currently pending. No new matter has been added by this amendment, and all amendments to the claims are fully supported by the originally filed application. The Applicants respectfully submit that the claims are in condition for allowance.

Evidence of Unexpected Results

The Applicants submit that a *prima facie* case of obviousness cannot be properly established against the pending Claims in view of the prior art, such as the Ding reference. However, the Applicants submit that the unexpected results obtained with the claimed formulations overcome any *prima facie* obviousness rejection.

The Federal Circuit has held that objective evidence of nonobviousness must always be taken into account before a conclusion on obviousness is reached. Similarly, M.P.E.P. 716.01(a) states that “[a]ffidavits or declarations, when timely presented, containing evidence of criticality or unexpected results, commercial success, long-left but unsolved needs, failure of others, skepticism of experts, etc., must be considered by the Patent Office in determining the issue of obviousness of claims for patentability under 35 U.S.C. 103.” Thus, the *Graham* factors, including the use of objective evidence of secondary considerations to rebut a *prima facie* case of obviousness, remains the framework to be followed for a determination of obviousness. The Federal Circuit has even stated that “evidence of secondary considerations may often be the most probative and cogent evidence in the record. It may often establish that an invention appearing to have been obvious in light of the prior art was not.” See, *Stratoflex Inc. v. Aeroquip Corp.*, 713 F.2d 1530, 1538 (Fed. Cir. 1983).

The Claimed Formulations Provide Surprising and Unexpected Results

The claimed formulations provide surprising and unexpected results in view of the prior art (e.g. Ding). According to MPEP § 2144.05 (III), the Applicants can rebut a presumption of obviousness based on a claimed invention that falls within a prior art range by showing “(1)

[t]hat the prior art taught away from the claimed invention...or (2) **that there are new and unexpected results relative to the prior art.**” *Iron Grip Barbell Co., Inc. v. USA Sports, Inc.*, 392 F.3d 1317, 1322, 73 USPQ2d 1225, 1228 (Fed. Cir. 2004).

In support of this position, the Applicants submit herewith as Exhibit 1 a Declaration of Dr. Rhett M. Schiffman under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132 (hereinafter, “Schiffman Declaration 1”), Chief Medical Officer at Neurotech, with over 12 years of experience as a clinician in the eye care field. The Applicants also submit herewith as Exhibit 2, a Declaration of Dr. Mayssa Attar under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132 (hereinafter, “Attar Declaration”), Research Investigator at Allergan, Inc., the assignee of record of the present application, with about 15 years of experience in the pharmacokinetics field.

As described by Dr. Schiffman and Dr. Attar in their respective declarations, supported by examples and experiments, the claimed formulations provided unexpected results compared to the prior art with regards to two key objective testing parameters for dry eye or keratoconjunctivis sicca: Schirmer Tear Testing and decrease in corneal staining, and with regards to reduction in blurred vision and decreased use of artificial tears. Specifically, the claimed formulations provided unexpected results compared to formulations 1E and 1D disclosed in Ding, which included 0.05% by weight cyclosporin A and 0.625% by weight castor oil and 0.10% by weight cyclosporin A and 1.25% by weight castor oil, respectively. *See* Ding, col. 4, lines 34-43.

As described by Dr. Schiffman in paragraphs 17-20 of Schiffman Declaration 1 and as seen in Exhibits E and F to Schiffman Declaration 1, surprisingly, the claimed formulation demonstrated an 8-fold increase in relative efficacy for the Schirmer Tear Test score in the first study of Allergan’s Phase 3 trials compared to the relative efficacy for the 0.05% by weight cyclosporin A/0.625% by weight castor oil formulation disclosed in Example 1E of Ding, tested in Phase 2 trials. The data presented herewith represents the subpopulation of Phase 2 patients with the same reductions in tear production (≤ 5 mm/5 min) as those enrolled in the Phase 3 studies. Schiffman Declaration 1 at ¶ 8. Exhibits E and F also illustrate that the claimed formulations also demonstrated a 4-fold improvement in the relative efficacy for the Schirmer Tear Test score for the second study of Phase 3 and a 4-fold increase in relative efficacy for

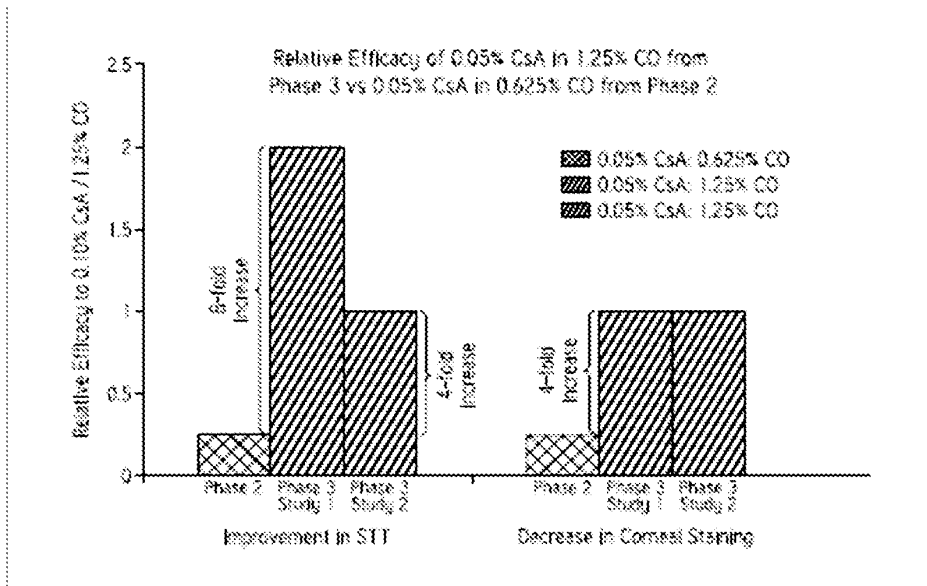
decrease in corneal staining score in both of the Phase 3 studies compared to the 0.05% by weight cyclosporin A/0.625% by weight castor oil formulation tested in Phase 2 and disclosed in Ding (Ding 1E). This was clearly a very surprising and unexpected result.

Exhibit E of Schiffman Declaration 1

	Phase 2 001	Phase 3 (1 st study)	Phase 3 (2 nd study)
	0.05% CsA in 0.625% CO	0.05% CsA in 1.25% CO	0.05% CsA in 1.25% CO
	Compared with 0.1% CsA in 1.25% CO		
Improvement in STT	0.25	2 {8-Fold Improvement*}	1 {4-Fold Improvement*}
Decrease in Corneal Staining	0.25	1 {4-Fold Improvement*}	1 {4-Fold Improvement*}

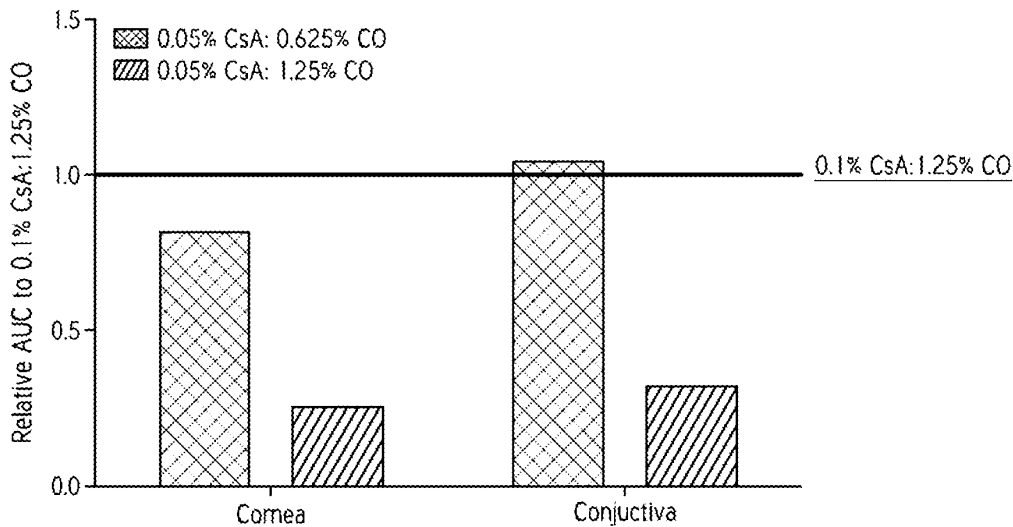
*Compared to the 0.05% CsA/0.625% CO Phase 2 formulation (disclosed in Ding)

Exhibit F of Schiffman Declaration 1



This dramatic increase in relative efficacy between the claimed formulation and the formulation disclosed in Examples 1E and 1D of Ding was especially unexpected in view of pharmacokinetic data. As described by Dr. Attar in paragraph 7 of the Attar Declaration, pharmacokinetic studies were performed on animal eyes, which compared the pharmacokinetic properties of several cyclosporin A-containing formulations, including formulations containing 0.05% by weight cyclosporin A and 0.625% by weight castor oil, formulations containing 0.05% by weight cyclosporin A and 1.25% by weight castor oil, and formulations containing 0.1% by weight cyclosporin A and 1.25% by weight castor oil. This data was compiled and organized in Exhibit B to the Attar Declaration, reproduced below:

Exhibit B to Attar Declaration



As described in paragraph 7 of the Attar Declaration, this chart shows that the amount of cyclosporin A that reaches the cornea and conjunctiva, ocular tissues that are highly relevant for the treatment of dry eye or keratoconjunctivitis sicca, is higher for the formulation containing 0.05% by weight cyclosporin A and 0.625% by weight castor oil (Ding 1E) than the formulation containing 0.05% by weight cyclosporin A and 1.25% by weight castor oil (the claimed

formulation) relative to the formulation containing 0.1% by weight cyclosporin A and 1.25% by weight castor oil (Ding 1D). According to Dr. Attar, this data teaches that the formulation containing 0.05% by weight cyclosporin A and 1.25% by weight castor oil would be less therapeutically effective than the formulation containing 0.05% by weight cyclosporin A and 0.625% by weight castor oil or the formulation containing 0.10% by weight cyclosporin A and 1.25% by weight castor oil. Attar Declaration at ¶ 8. Similarly, according to Dr. Schiffman, this data shows that, since lower levels of cyclosporin A were reaching the ocular tissues relevant for the treatment of dry eye, one of skill in the art would have expected patients receiving the claimed formulation to exhibit a lesser decrease from baseline in corneal staining score and a lesser increase from baseline in Schirmer Score relative to the corneal staining scores and Schirmer Scores of the patients receiving the 0.05% by weight cyclosporin A / 0.625% by weight castor oil formulation (Ding 1E) in the Phase 2 trials, as illustrated in Schiffman Declaration 1, Exhibit B. *See* Schiffman Declaration 1 at ¶ 13.

As described by Dr. Schiffman in paragraphs 14-15 of Schiffman Declaration 1, surprisingly, the claimed formulation was equally or more therapeutically effective for the treatment of dry eye or keratoconjunctivitis sicca than the formulation containing 0.10% by weight cyclosporin A and 1.25% by weight castor oil (Ding 1D) according to corneal staining score, Schirmer Score, an improvement in the common dry eye/keratoconjunctivitis sicca symptom of blurred vision and a greater decrease in the number of artificial tears used by patients.

Taking the results of the studies and data presented in the Attar and Schiffman 1 Declarations together, it is clear that the specific combination of 0.05% by weight cyclosporin A with 1.25% by weight castor oil is surprisingly critical for therapeutic effectiveness in the treatment of dry eye or keratoconjunctivitis sicca.

Accordingly, the Applicants submit that the Declarations of Drs. Rhett M. Schiffman (Schiffman Declaration 1) and Attar, together with the data presented in those declarations, provide clear and convincing objective evidence that establishes that the claimed formulations, including 0.05% by weight cyclosporin A and 1.25% by weight castor oil, demonstrate surprising and unexpected results, including improved Schirmer Tear Test scores and corneal

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staining scores (key objective measures of efficacy for dry eye or keratoconjunctivitis sicca) and improved visual blurring and reduced artificial tear use as compared to the prior art, for example, emulsion formulations disclosed in Ding, including formulations with 0.05% by weight cyclosporin A and 0.625% by weight castor oil (Ding 1E) and formulations with 0.10% by weight cyclosporin A and 1.25% by weight castor oil (Ding 1D).

Hence, in view of the evidence presented above and presented in the attached declarations under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132, the Applicants submit that the unexpected results obtained from the claimed formulations successfully rebut any *prima facie* case of obviousness and support the patentability of the pending claims.

35 U.S.C. § 102(e)

The Examiner has brought the Bakhit reference to the Applicants' attention as a potential grounds for rejection of the pending Claims under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e). While the Applicants do not agree with the rejection, the Applicants submit that the claimed invention was reduced to practice before the effective date of the Bakhit reference (i.e. July 15, 2003), and thus the potential rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) is rendered moot. As evidence in support of this position, the Applicants submit herewith as Exhibit 3, a Declaration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.131 (hereinafter "131 Declaration") and associated exhibits.

Hence, in view of the evidence presented in the 131 Declaration and associated exhibits, the Applicants submit that the Claims were reduced to practice before the effective date of the Bakhit reference, and thus any rejection in view of the Bakhit reference is rendered moot.

Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, the Applicants believe all claims now pending in the present application are in condition for allowance.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees required or necessary for the filing, processing or entering of this paper or any of the enclosed papers, and to refund any overpayment, to deposit account 01-0885.

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EXHIBIT 1

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.132

of Dr. Rhett M. Schiffman,

I, Rhett M. Schiffman, M.D., declare as follows:

1. I am currently a Vice President and Chief Medical Officer at Neurotech. I have an M.D, Masters Degrees in Clinical Research Design and Statistical Analysis and in Health Services Administration, a Bachelor's degree in Bioengineering, and over 12 years of experience in the pharmaceutical industry at Allergan, Inc. ("Allergan"). I was also a clinical investigator in the Phase 3 studies for Restasis®. I am a co-inventor on several issued patents and pending applications related to treatment methods using ophthalmic products. My *curriculum vita*, which contains a list of my publications to which I contributed, is attached to this declaration as Exhibit A.
2. I have been informed of the general nature of the rejections made by the Patent Office with respect to the previously presented claims of the above-referenced patent application and I am familiar with the references that the Patent Office has relied on in making these rejections. For example, I am aware of U.S. Patent No. 5,474,979 to Ding et al. ("Ding").
3. Restasis® is an FDA approved product that is a commercial embodiment of the invention. Specifically, Restasis® is approved as a 0.05% by weight cyclosporin ophthalmic emulsion useful for the treatment of ophthalmic conditions, such as dry eye. Specifically, Restasis® ophthalmic emulsion is indicated to increase tear production in patients whose tear production is presumed to be suppressed due to ocular inflammation associated with keratoconjunctivitis sicca.
4. I have reviewed the pending claims in the present application, and the pending claims cover the specific formulation of Restasis® and/or the approved methods of treatment of dry eye or keratoconjunctivitis sicca for Restasis®.
5. In creating and testing the claimed methods and compositions, several unexpected benefits were discovered using the claimed compositions and/or claimed methods.
6. During development of a drug for the treatment of dry eye disease or keratoconjunctivitis sicca, Allergan performed a randomized, multicenter, double-masked, parallel-group, dose-response controlled Phase 2 trial on several cyclosporin-A and castor oil-containing formulations. In this Phase 2 study of moderate to severe KCS, the safety and efficacy of

four cyclosporin A-containing emulsion compositions were compared to one another: 0.05% by weight cyclosporin A with 0.625% by weight castor oil, 0.10% by weight cyclosporin A with 1.25% by weight castor oil, 0.20% by weight cyclosporin A with 2.5% by weight castor oil, and 0.40% by weight cyclosporin A with 5.0% by weight castor oil. A vehicle containing 2.5% by weight castor oil was also tested and compared to these formulations. In this study, patients with moderate to severe dry eye disease were treated twice daily with one of the aforementioned cyclosporin A-containing formulations or a vehicle. All of the cyclosporin A-containing formulations as well as the vehicle also included 2.2% by weight glycerine, 1.0% by weight polysorbate 80, 0.05% by weight Pemulen, sodium hydroxide, and water. To the best of my knowledge, the specific cyclosporin-A containing formulations tested in humans in this Phase 2 study are disclosed in the Ding reference. Results from this study illustrating the change from baseline in corneal staining and change from baseline in Schirmer Score, key objective testing measures for dry eye or KCS, are shown in Exhibit B, Figures 1 and 2, respectively.

7. As shown in Exhibit B, Figure 1, the 0.1% by weight cyclosporin A/ 1.25% by weight castor oil formulation demonstrated a greater decrease in corneal staining than the 0.05% by weight cyclosporin A/0.625% by weight castor oil formulation. As shown in Exhibit B, Figure 2 the 0.1% by weight cyclosporin A/ 1.25% by weight castor oil formulation demonstrated a greater increase in Schirmer Score (tear production) at week 12 than any other formulation tested, including the 0.05% by weight cyclosporin A/0.625% by weight castor oil formulation. Corneal staining and Schirmer score are key objective measures for determining dry eye or keratoconjunctivitis sicca disease severity.
8. After Allergan's Phase 2 study, Allergan initiated a Phase 3 study. In Allergan's multicenter, randomized, double-masked Phase 3 trials, Allergan compared the efficacy and safety of the formulation containing 0.10% by weight cyclosporin A and 1.25% by weight castor oil to a the claimed formulation (containing 0.05% by weight cyclosporin A and 1.25% by weight castor oil), and to a vehicle containing 1.25% by weight castor oil. The data presented in Exhibit B represents the subpopulation of moderate to severe Phase 2 patients with the same reductions in tear production (≤ 5 mm/5 min) as those enrolled in the Phase 3 studies. In this study, patients with moderate to severe dry eye disease were treated twice daily with either a formulation containing 0.10% by weight cyclosporin A and 1.25% by weight castor oil, a formulation containing 0.05% by weight cyclosporin A and 1.25% by weight castor oil, or the vehicle. Both cyclosporin A-containing formulations and the vehicle also included 2.2% by weight glycerine, 1.0% by weight polysorbate 80, 0.05% by weight Pemulen, sodium hydroxide, and water.

9. I have reviewed the Declaration of Dr. Mayssa Attar (“Attar Declaration”), and I agree with her statements made in paragraphs 6-8, reproduced here. I have attached Exhibit B to the Attar Declaration to this Declaration as Exhibit C:
10. “It was known in the art at the time this application was filed that cyclosporin could be administered topically locally to the eye to target and treat dry eye by using cyclosporin A’s immunomodulatory properties to inhibit T cell activation which would lead to an increase in tear production and potentially other therapeutic effects related cyclosporine’s anti-inflammatory and anti-apoptotic effects and thus limit chronic inflammation in the pathology of dry eye. To elicit it’s therapeutic effect, cyclosporine must be effectively delivered to multiple target tissues of the ocular surface such as the cornea, conjunctiva, and lacrimal gland. The rate and extent at which cyclosporine is differentially delivered to the putative sites of action is critical to achieving therapeutic success in treating dry eye. Generally speaking, it was understood that pharmacokinetic/pharmacodynamic relationship would indicate that as more cyclosporin A reaches the target tissues of the ocular surface, such as the cornea and conjunctiva, the more immunomodulatory and more anti-inflammatory activity can take place and the more therapeutically effective a drug can be in treating dry eye.
11. Pharmacokinetic studies were performed on animal eyes, which compared the pharmacokinetic properties of several cyclosporin A-containing formulations. Those results are attached to this declaration in Exhibit B. As shown in Exhibit B, the relative extent at cyclosporin was absorbed increased in the relevant ocular tissues, here, the cornea and the conjunctiva, where the amount of oil present in the formulation was decreased. Specifically, the amount of cyclosporin A that reached the relevant ocular tissue was higher for the formulation containing 0.05% by weight cyclosporin A and 0.625% by weight castor oil than the formulation containing 0.05% by weight cyclosporin A and 1.25% by weight castor oil relative to the formulation containing 0.1% by weight cyclosporin A and 1.25% by weight castor oil.
12. One of skill in the art would have understood such a result to mean that since there was more cyclosporin A present in the relevant ocular tissues in the formulation containing 0.05% by weight cyclosporin A and 0.625% by weight castor oil and the formulation containing 0.1% by weight cyclosporine A and 1.25% by weight castor oil than the claimed formulation, that those formulations would have been more therapeutically effective than the claimed formulation. Specifically, this data suggests that the formulation containing 0.05% by weight cyclosporin A and 0.625% by weight castor oil would have been more therapeutically effective than the claimed formulation.”

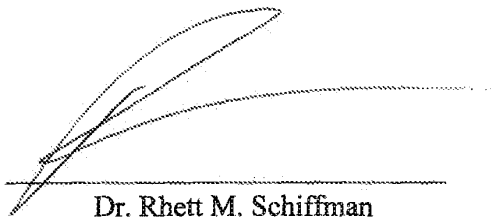
13. Specifically, one of skill in the art would have expected patients receiving the claimed formulations and methods to exhibit a lesser decrease from baseline in corneal staining score and a lesser increase from baseline in Schirmer Score, relative to the patient corneal staining scores and Schirmer Scores demonstrated by the patients receiving the 0.05% by weight cyclosporin A / 0.625% by weight castor oil formulation (Ding 1E) in the Phase 2 trials illustrated in Exhibit B.
14. Surprisingly, the claimed formulation and method was equally or more therapeutically effective for the treatment of dry eye/keratoconjunctivitis sicca than the formulation containing 0.10% by weight cyclosporin A and 1.25% by weight castor oil according to at least four testing parameters. This result was surprising and completely unexpected. These results are attached to this declaration in Exhibit D.
15. As shown in the results in Exhibit D, the claimed formulation and method was unexpectedly superior to the 0.10% by weight cyclosporin A / 1.25% by weight castor oil formulation with respect to several properties. For example, the claimed formulations and methods surprisingly exhibited a comparable or greater decrease in corneal staining score (see Exhibit D, Figure 1), a greater increase in Schirmer Score (see Exhibit D, Figure 2), an improvement in the common dry eye/keratoconjunctivitis sicca symptom of blurred vision (see Exhibit D, Figure 3) and a greater decrease in the number of artificial tears used by patients (see Exhibit D, Figure 4) compared to the formulation containing 0.10% by weight cyclosporin A and 1.25% by weight castor oil.
16. This result was even more surprising, given earlier testing from the Phase 2 study that illustrated that compositions containing 0.10% by weight cyclosporin A and 1.25% by weight castor oil provided more improvement in objective measures (such as corneal staining and increase in Schirmer Score – as illustrated in Exhibit B) in dry eye patients than compositions containing 0.05% by weight cyclosporin A and 0.625% castor oil.
17. I have compared the objective results showing the surprising therapeutic efficacy of the claimed formulation and method relative to the 0.10% by weight cyclosporin A and 1.25% by weight castor oil formulation tested in Phase 3 to the 0.05% by weight cyclosporin A and 0.625% by weight castor oil formulation relative to the 0.10% by weight cyclosporin A and 1.25% by weight castor oil formulation tested in Phase 2. This comparison is attached to this declaration as Exhibit E.
18. As seen in Exhibit E, in the Phase 2 study, the 0.05% by weight cyclosporin A/0.625% by weight castor oil formulation (Ding 1E) only achieved 0.25 times the improvement in Schirmer Tear Test score as the 0.1 % by weight cyclosporin A/1.25% by weight castor

oil formulation and only achieved 0.25 times the decrease in corneal staining as the 0.1 % by weight cyclosporin A/1.25% by weight castor oil formulation. However, in the Phase 3 studies, the claimed formulation and method achieved twice the improvement in Schirmer Tear Test score as the 0.1 % by weight cyclosporin A/1.25% by weight castor oil formulation in the first study and substantially the same improvement in Schirmer Tear Test score as the 0.1 % by weight cyclosporin A/1.25% by weight castor oil formulation in the second Phase 3 study. Also, the claimed formulation achieved substantially the same decrease in corneal staining score compared to the 0.1 % by weight cyclosporin A/1.25% by weight castor oil formulation.

19. As seen in Exhibit E, and further illustrated in Exhibit F, surprisingly, the claimed formulation and method demonstrated an 8-fold increase in relative efficacy for the Schirmer Tear Test Score in the first study of phase 3 compared to the 0.05% by weight cyclosporin A/0.625% by weight castor oil formulation (Ding Example 1E) in the Phase 2 study. Exhibits E and F also illustrate that the claimed formulations demonstrated a 4-fold improvement in the relative efficacy for the Schirmer Tear Test score for the second study of Phase 3 and a 4-fold increase in relative efficacy for decrease in corneal staining score in both of the Phase 3 studies compared to the 0.05% by weight cyclosporin A/0.625% by weight castor oil formulation in the Phase 2 study, the formulation disclosed in the Ding reference (Ding 1E). This was clearly a very surprising result.

20. Taking the results of these studies together, it is clear that the specific combination of 0.05% by weight cyclosporin A with 1.25% by weight castor oil is surprisingly and unexpectedly critical for therapeutic effectiveness in the treatment of dry eye/keratoconjunctivitis sicca.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge and belief are true; and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patents issued thereon.



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EXHIBIT A

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EXHIBIT B

Phase 2 Results - Phase 3 Target Subpopulation

Change from Baseline in Corneal Staining at Week 12

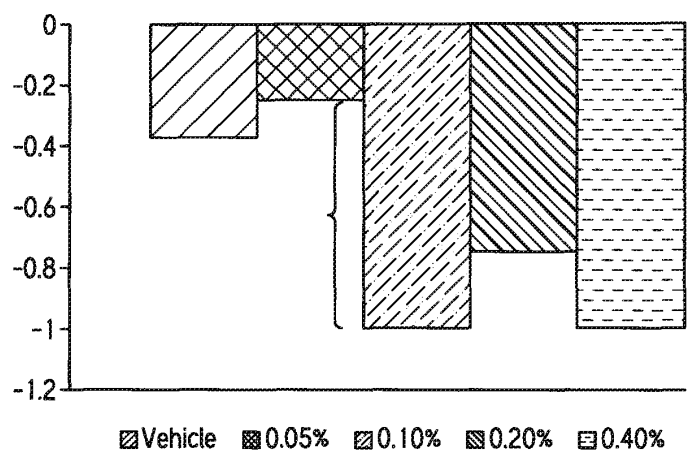


FIG. 1

Change from Baseline in Schirmer Score at Week 12

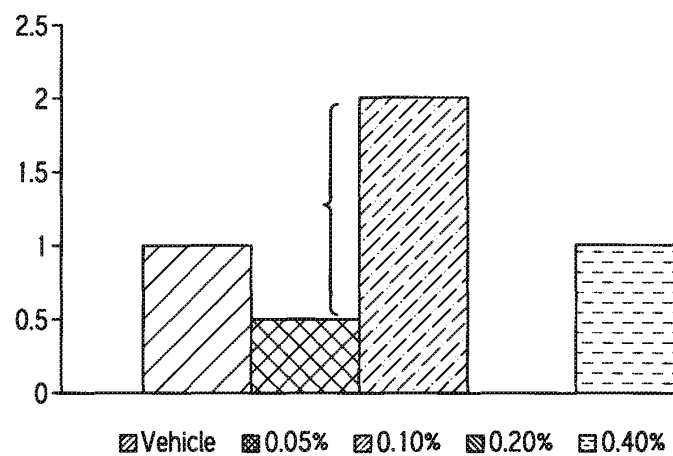


FIG. 2

EXHIBIT C

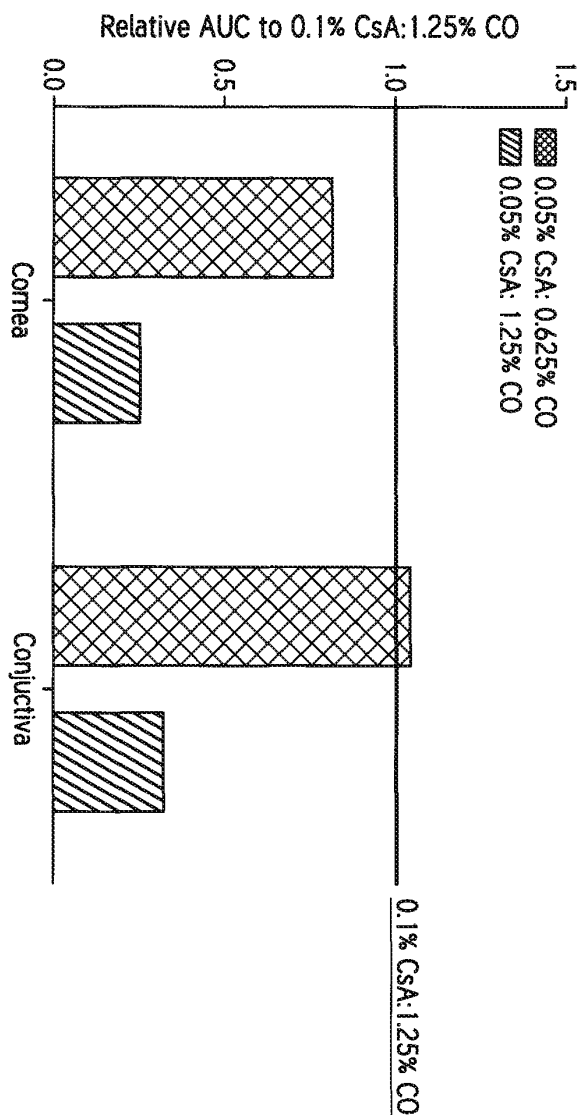


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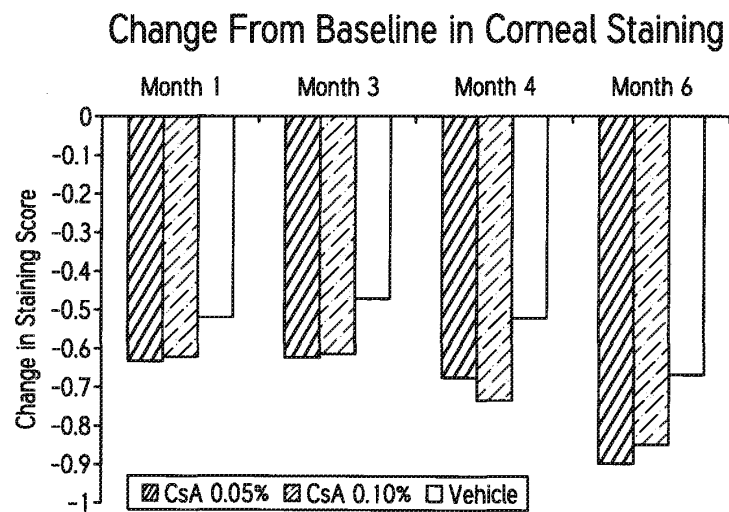


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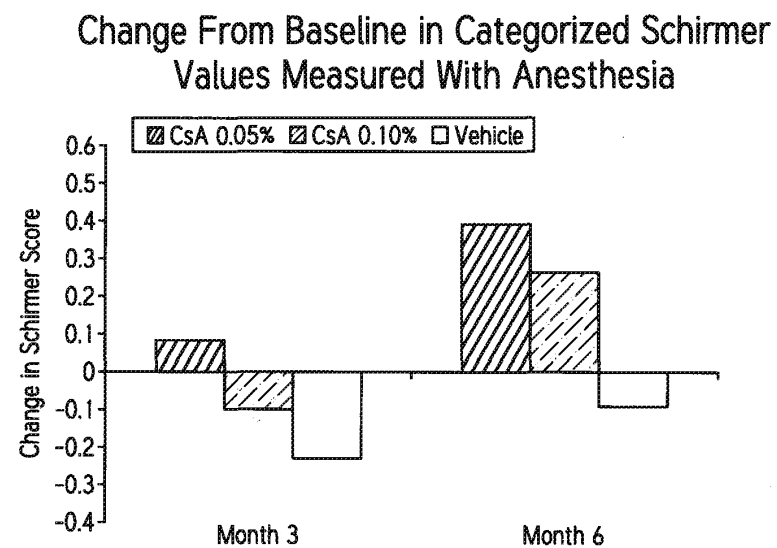


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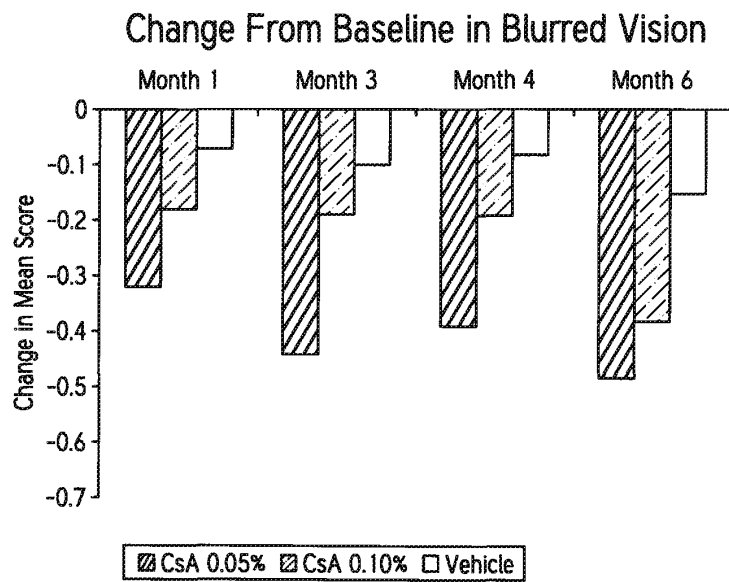


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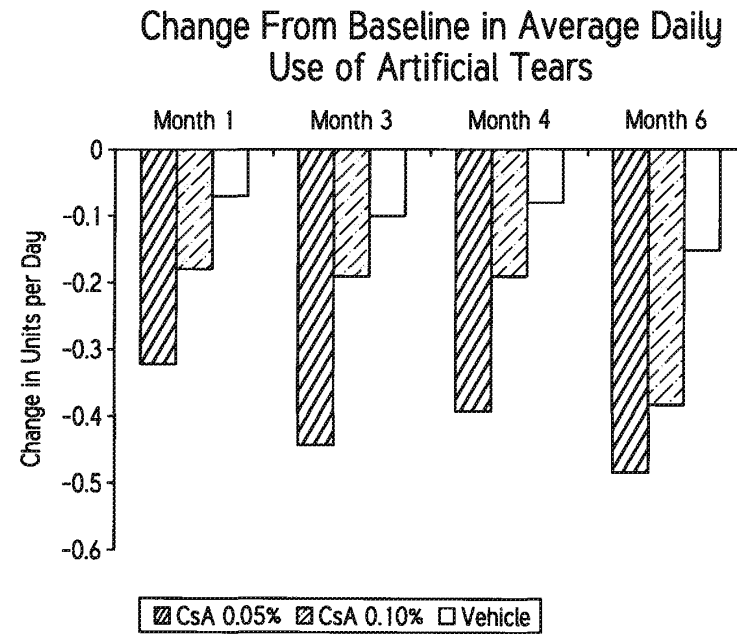


FIG. 4

EXHIBIT E

	Phase 2 001	Phase 3 (1 st study)	Phase 3 (2 nd study)
	0.05% CsA in 0.625% CO	0.05% CsA in 1.25% CO	0.05% CsA in 1.25% CO
	Compared with 0.1% CsA in 1.25% CO		
Improvement in STT	0.25	2 (8-Fold Improvement*)	1 (4-Fold Improvement*)
Decrease in Corneal Staining	0.25	1 (4-Fold Improvement*)	1 (4-Fold Improvement*)

*Compared to the 0.05% CsA/0.625% CO Phase 2 formulation (disclosed in Ding)

EXHIBIT F

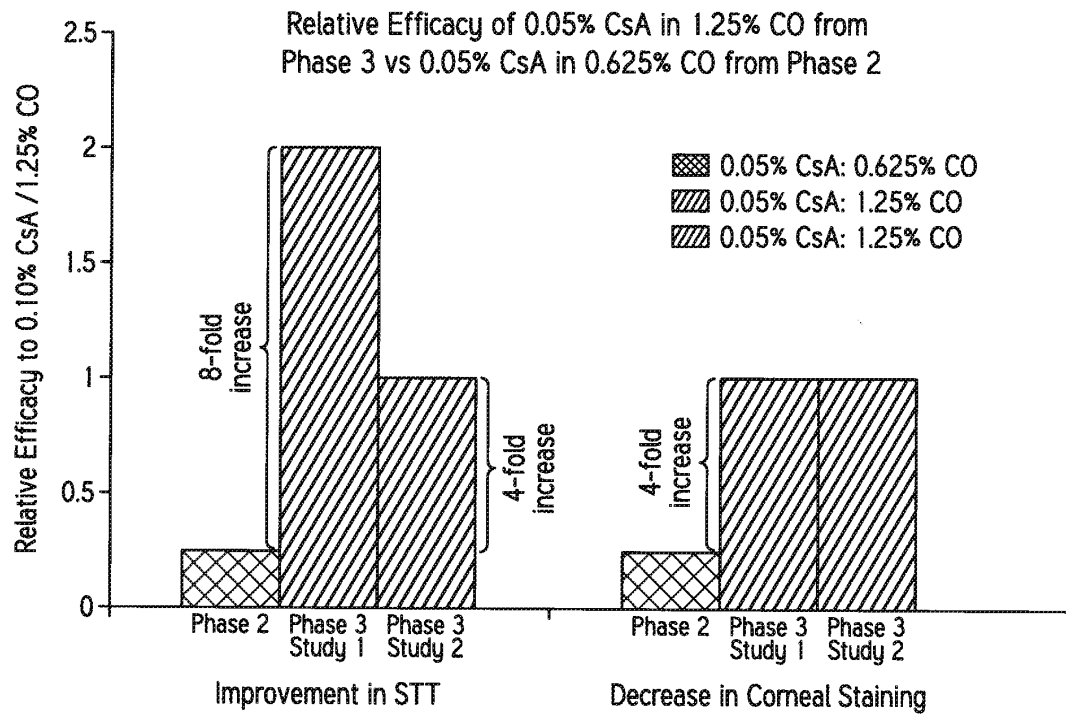


EXHIBIT 2

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.132

of Dr. Mayssa Attar, Ph.D.

I, Mayssa Attar, Ph.D., declare as follows:

1. I am currently a Research Investigator at Allergan, Inc. ("Allergan"), specializing in preclinical and clinical pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics. I have a Ph.D. in Pharmaceutical Sciences, Bachelor's and Master's degrees in Biochemistry, and almost 15 years of experience in the pharmaceutical industry. I also serve as adjunct faculty at the the University of Southern California, School of Pharmacy. My *curriculum vita*, which contains a list of my publications to which I contributed, is attached to this declaration as Exhibit A.
2. I have been informed of the general nature of the rejections made by the Patent Office with respect to the previously presented claims of the above-referenced patent application and I am familiar with the references that the Patent Office has relied on in making these rejections. For example, I am aware of the "Ding" reference (U.S. Patent No. 5,474,979 to Ding et al.).
3. Restasis® is an FDA approved product that is a commercial embodiment of the invention. Specifically, Restasis® is approved as a 0.05% by weight cyclosporine ophthalmic emulsion useful for the treatment of ophthalmic conditions, such as dry eye. Specifically, Restasis® ophthalmic emulsion is indicated to increase tear production in patients whose tear production is presumed to be suppressed due to ocular inflammation associated with keratoconjunctivitis sicca.
4. I have reviewed the pending claims in the present application, and the pending claims cover the specific formulation of Restasis® and/or the approved methods of treatment of dry eye or keratoconjunctivitis sicca with Restasis®.
5. In creating and testing the claimed methods and compositions, several unexpected results were discovered using the claimed compositions and methods.
6. It was known in the art at the time this application was filed that cyclosporin could be administered topically locally to the eye to target and treat dry eye by using cyclosporin A's immunomodulatory properties to inhibit T cell activation, which would lead to an increase in tear production and potentially other therapeutic effects related to

cyclosporin's anti-inflammatory and anti-apoptotic effects and thus limit chronic inflammation in the pathology of dry eye. To elicit its therapeutic effect, cyclosporin must be effectively delivered to multiple target tissues of the ocular surface such as the cornea, conjunctiva, and lacrimal gland. The rate and extent at which cyclosporin is differentially delivered to the putative sites of action is critical to achieving therapeutic success in treating dry eye. Generally speaking, it was understood that pharmacokinetic/pharmacodynamic relationship would indicate that as more cyclosporin A reaches the target tissues of the ocular surface, such as the cornea and conjunctiva, the more immunomodulatory and more anti-inflammatory activity that can take place and the more therapeutically effective a drug can be in treating dry eye.

7. Pharmacokinetic studies were performed on animal eyes, which compared the pharmacokinetic properties of several cyclosporin A-containing formulations. Those results are attached to this declaration in Exhibit B. As shown in Exhibit B, the relative extent that cyclosporin was absorbed increased in the relevant ocular tissues, here, the cornea and the conjunctiva, where the amount of oil present in the formulation was decreased but the weight percentage of cyclosporin stayed the same. Specifically, the amount of cyclosporin A that reached the relevant ocular tissue was higher for the formulation containing 0.05% by weight cyclosporin A and 0.625% by weight castor oil than the formulation containing 0.05% by weight cyclosporin A and 1.25% by weight castor oil, relative to the formulation containing 0.1% by weight cyclosporin A and 1.25% by weight castor oil. We also noticed that the amount of cyclosporin A that reached the relevant ocular tissue was higher for the formulation containing 0.1% by weight cyclosporin A and 1.25% by weight castor oil than for the claimed formulation and method.
8. One of skill in the art would have understood such a result to mean that since there was more cyclosporin A present in the relevant ocular tissues with the formulation containing 0.05% by weight cyclosporin A and 0.625% by weight castor oil and the formulation containing 0.1% by weight cyclosporin A and 1.25% by weight castor oil than with the claimed formulation, that those formulations would have been more therapeutically effective than the claimed formulation. Specifically, this data teaches one of skill in the art that the formulation containing 0.05% by weight cyclosporin A and 0.625% by weight castor oil would have been more therapeutically effective than the claimed formulation.
9. Surprisingly, an unexpected increase in efficacy was demonstrated relative to the 0.1% cyclosporin A and 1.25% castor oil formulation when we compared the therapeutic efficacy of the claimed formulation and method (containing 0.05% by weight cyclosporin A and 1.25% by weight castor oil) in our multicenter, randomized, double-masked Phase

3 trials to the therapeutic efficacy of a formulation containing 0.05% by weight cyclosporin A and 0.625% cyclosporin in our a randomized, multicenter, double-masked, parallel-group, dose-response controlled Phase 2 trial.

10. As shown in Exhibits C and D, which are attached to this declaration, the corneal staining score and Schirmer scores were dramatically improved for the claimed methods (containing 0.05% by weight cyclosporin A and 1.25% by weight castor oil) compared to the formulations disclosed in Example 1E in Ding (the formulation containing 0.05% by weight cyclosporin A and 0.625% by weight castor oil).
11. I have read the Declaration of Dr. Rhett M. Schiffman, and I agree with his statements made at paragraphs 18-19. Exhibits E and F as referenced by Dr. Schiffman are attached as Exhibits C and D:
12. "As seen in Exhibit E, in the Phase 2 study, the 0.05% by weight cyclosporin A/0.625% by weight castor oil formulation (Ding 1E) only achieved 0.25 times the improvement in Schirmer Tear Test score as the 0.1 % by weight cyclosporin A/1.25% by weight castor oil formulation and only achieved 0.25 times the decrease in corneal staining as the 0.1 % by weight cyclosporin A/1.25% by weight castor oil formulation. However, in the Phase 3 studies, the claimed formulation and method achieved twice the improvement in Schirmer Tear Test score as the 0.1 % by weight cyclosporin A/1.25% by weight castor oil formulation in the first study and substantially the same improvement in Schirmer Tear Test score as the 0.1 % by weight cyclosporin A/1.25% by weight castor oil formulation in the second Phase 3 study. Also, the claimed formulation achieved substantially the same decrease in corneal staining score compared to the 0.1 % by weight cyclosporin A/1.25% by weight castor oil formulation.
13. As seen in Exhibit E, and further illustrated in Exhibit F, surprisingly, the claimed formulation and method demonstrated an 8-fold increase in relative efficacy for the Schirmer Tear Test Score in the first study of phase 3 compared to the 0.05% by weight cyclosporin A/0.625% by weight castor oil formulation (Ding Example 1E) in the Phase 2 study. Exhibits E and F also illustrate that the claimed formulations demonstrated a 4-fold improvement in the relative efficacy for the Schirmer Tear Test score for the second study of Phase 3 and a 4-fold increase in relative efficacy for decrease in corneal staining score in both of the Phase 3 studies compared to the 0.05% by weight cyclosporin A/0.625% by weight castor oil formulation in the Phase 2 study, the formulation disclosed in the Ding reference (Ding 1E). This was clearly a very surprising result."
14. Taking the results of these studies together, it is clear that the specific combination of 0.05% by weight cyclosporin A with 1.25% by weight castor oil is surprisingly critical

for therapeutic effectiveness for the treatment of dry eye/keratoconjunctivitis sicca, even those persons of skill in the art would have expected the formulation or method with the lower concentration of drug found in the relevant ocular tissue to be less therapeutically effective than those compositions with more drug in the ocular tissue (e.g. 0.05% by weight cyclosporin A/0.625% by weight castor oil formulation or 0.10% by weight cyclosporin A/1.25% by weight castor oil formulation disclosed in Ding).

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge and belief are true; and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patents issued thereon.

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Mayssa Attar, Ph.D.

Date: 10-14-2013

EXHIBIT A

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

ALLERGAN • Irvine, CA • 1/1999 – present

Research Investigator, Department of Pharmacokinetics and Drug Disposition

- Serve as Group Head: Translational Sciences; Member of PK Leadership Team
- Serve as a functional line manager to PhD level scientists and cross-functional team leader on early development through market launch teams with responsibility for budgets of >\$15 million
- Set departmental strategy and provide oversight to the design, conduct and data interpretation of in vitro and in vivo studies to characterize drug pharmacokinetics, pharmacodynamics and metabolism from late stage discovery through clinical development; responsible for the review of regulatory submissions
- Serve as a lead representative when interacting with global regulatory agencies for both on-site compliance inspections and regulatory file review (North America, EU, Asia-Pac and other Emerging Regions), due diligence activities, legal activities and key opinion leaders
- Serve as a team member in the development and global registration of RESTASIS[®], ACUVAIL[®], ZYMAXID[®], OZURDEX[®]
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UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA • Los Angeles, CA • 10/2005 - present

Adjunct Assistant Professor, School of Pharmacy, Department of Pharmacology and Pharmaceutical Sciences

- Lecture on the subjects of “Pharmacogenomics” and “Drug Metabolism”
- Mentor students as they consider careers in industry
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Research Associate, Hormones, Growth and Development Unit

- Established protocols for isolation and purification of lipids
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PhD, Pharmaceutical Sciences, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA

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Thesis: Cytochrome P450 3A metabolism in the rabbit lacrimal gland and conjunctiva

MSc, Biochemistry, University of Ottawa, Ottawa, ON

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BSc, with honors, Biochemistry, University of Ottawa, ON

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- Allergan Award for Excellence, in recognition of team work to develop a pediatric investigation plan to support registration of RESTASIS® in EU (2011)
- Allergan Award for Excellence, in recognition of membership in a team charged with a departmental initiative to improve efficiencies in our Scientific Writing processes (2010)
- Allergan Award for Excellence, in recognition of collaboration with Bioanalytical Sciences to develop more efficient processes and better laboratory use of LC-MS/MS equipment to support metabolite profiling efforts (2010)
- Allergan Award for Excellence, in recognition of cost savings brought about by introducing new gene expression technology to support Toxicology assessment (2009)
- Allergan Award for Excellence, in recognition of role as Nonclinical Lead and contributing to the FDA approval and subsequent market launch of ACUVAIL™ (2009)
- Allergan Award for Excellence, in recognition of contribution to the development of an enhanced RESTASIS® formulation (2006)
- Rho Chi Honor Society (2005)
- Allergan Award for Excellence, in recognition of developing a high-throughput P450 inhibition assay (2000)
- NSERC grant to support full term of graduate studies (1996-1998)
- Travel scholarship to attend the Gordon Conference (1997)
- Loeb Summer Student Scholarship (1996)
- University Scholarships of Canada (1992-1996, awarded four consecutive years)

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- AAPS
- ARVO
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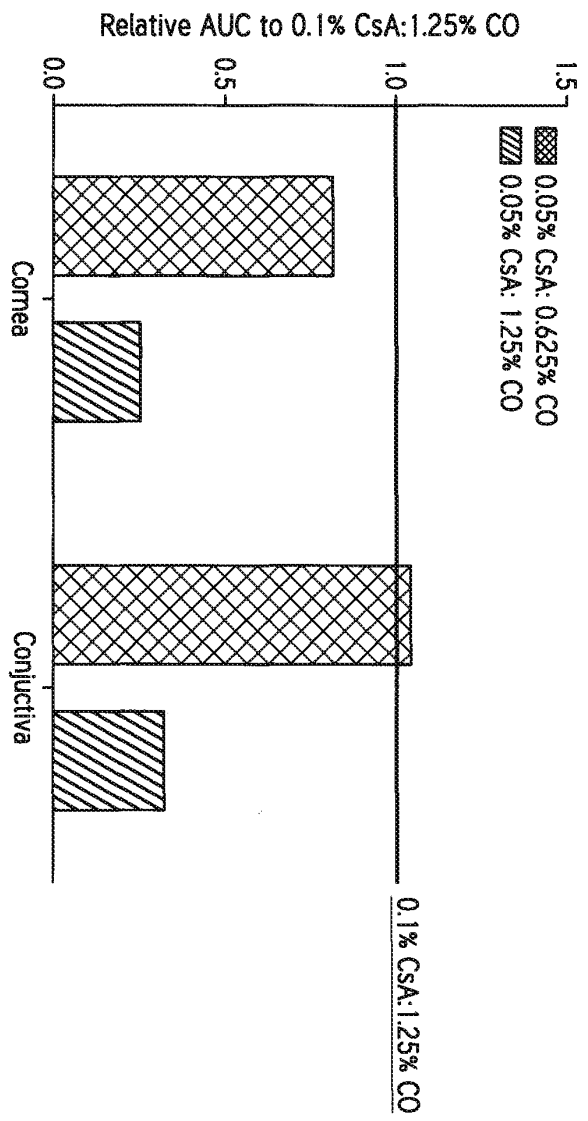


EXHIBIT C

	Phase 2 001	Phase 3 (1 st study)	Phase 3 (2 nd study)
	0.05% CsA in 0.625% CO	0.05% CsA in 1.25% CO	0.05% CsA in 1.25% CO
	Compared with 0.1% CsA in 1.25% CO		
Improvement in STT	0.25	2 (8-Fold Improvement*)	1 (4-Fold Improvement*)
Decrease in Corneal Staining	0.25	1 (4-Fold Improvement*)	1 (4-Fold Improvement*)

*Compared to the 0.05% CsA/0.625% CO Phase 2 formulation (disclosed in Ding)

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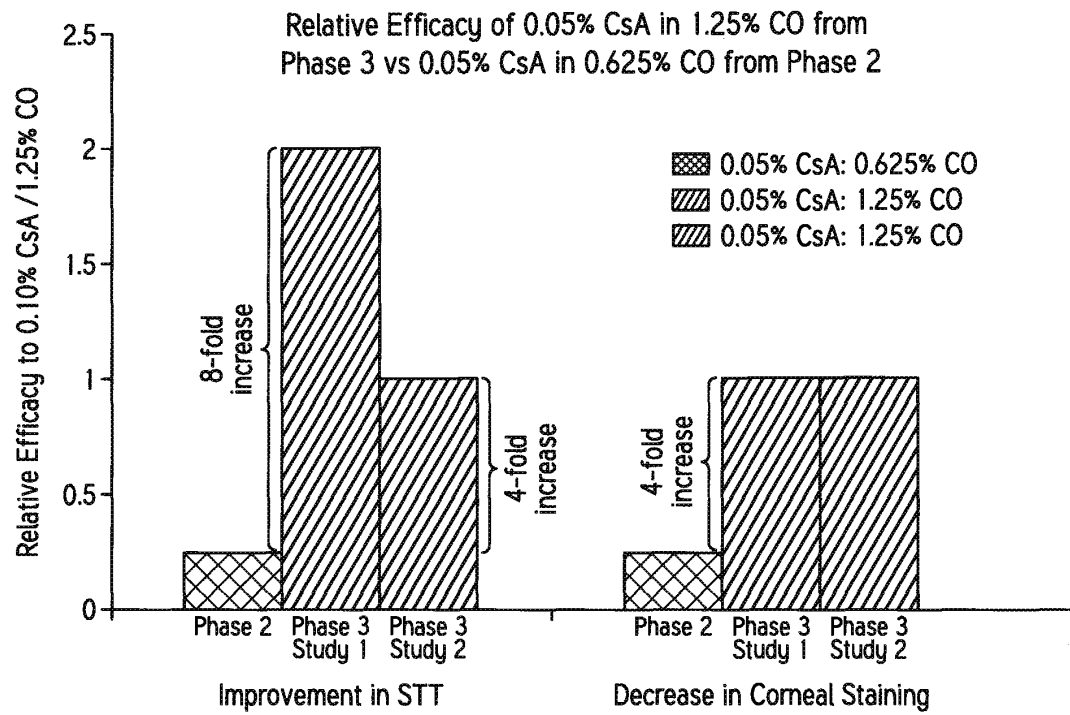


EXHIBIT 3

Docket No. 17618CON6 (AP)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Acheampong, *et al.*

Examiner: Marcela M Cordero Garcia

Serial No.: 13/961,828

Group Art Unit: 1658

Filed: August 7, 2013

Confirmation No. 9904

For: METHODS OF PROVIDING
THERAPEUTIC EFFECTS USING
CYCLOSPORIN COMPONENTS

Customer No.: 51957

DECLARATION PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.131

Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

We, Andrew Acheampong, Diane D. Tang-Liu, David F. Power, and Allergan, Inc., the assignee of the above-identified application and a party qualified under 37 C.F.R. § 1.46, having executed a Substitute Statement in lieu of Oath or Declaration under 35 USC § 115(d) and 37 CFR § 1.64 on behalf of James N. Chang, declare as follows:

1. We are the inventors of the above-described patent application or a party qualified under 37 C.F.R. § 1.46.
2. We have been advised that the Examiner has identified U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/621,053, published as U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2005/0014691 and U.S. Patent No. 6,984,628 (“the ‘961 publication”) as a possible reference citable against the claims of the present application. We have been informed that the ‘961 publication has an effective filing date of July 15, 2003.
3. Prior to July 15, 2003, the invention as claimed in the above captioned U.S. Patent Application Ser. No. 13/961,828 was conceived and reduced to practice in the United

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States as evidenced by the documents attached hereto as Exhibit A and Exhibit B. Exhibit A includes pertinent portions of a Clinical Study Report for a Phase III study for RESTASIS® (the “clinical study report”) completed by Allergan, Inc. (“Allergan”), the assignee of record of the above captioned U.S. Patent Application, prior to July 15, 2003. Also, attached as Exhibit B is the pertinent portion of a formulation report for Allergan Formulation No. 9054X, referenced in the clinical study report. The dates on these documents have been redacted. The date of the Exhibits are both prior to July 15, 2003. Both Exhibits are confidential internal Allergan documents.

4. As shown on page 1 of Exhibit A, the clinical study report is on a multicenter, double-masked, randomized, vehicle-controlled, parallel-group study of the safety and efficacy of cyclosporine (ciclosporin) 0.05% and 0.1% ophthalmic emulsions in patients with moderate to severe keratoconjunctivitis sicca (or dry eye). Although the date has been redacted on this document, we confirm that the document is dated prior to July 15, 2003. Page 2 of Exhibit A shows another page of the clinical study report explaining that the investigational studies that were the subject of the clinical study report were conducted in the USA. Page 3 of Exhibit A shows another page of the clinical study report listing the investigational products for the study. On page 3, under IDENTITY OF INVESTIGATIONAL PRODUCTS, ciclosporin 0.05% ophthalmic emulsion is listed, with reference to Allergan formulation number 9054X. Exhibit B describes the formulation for Allergan formulation number 9054X which is an embodiment of the invention as claimed in the above-captioned U.S. Patent Application. As shown in Exhibit B, Allergan formulation number 9054X contains 0.05% cyclosporin A, 1.25% castor oil, 0.05% Pemulen TR-2 (an acrylate/C10-30 alkyl acrylate cross polymer), 2.2% glycerin, 1.0% polysorbate 80, water, and sodium hydroxide (a buffer) at a pH of 7.4. Although the date has been redacted on this document, we confirm that the document is dated prior to July 15, 2003.

5. Accordingly, the subject matter of the claimed invention was reduced to practice in the United States before the effective filing date of the ‘961 publication.

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Andrew Acheampong

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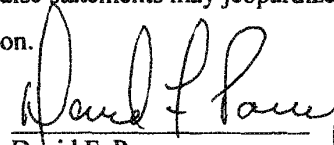

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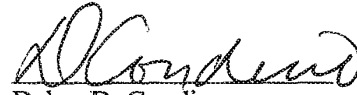
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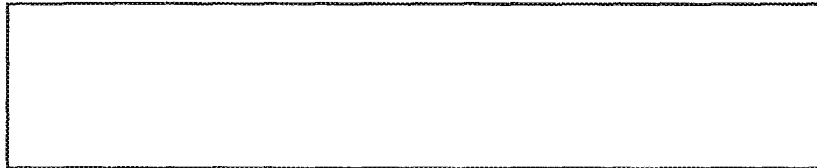
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CLINICAL STUDY REPORT

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Study Number: 192371-002

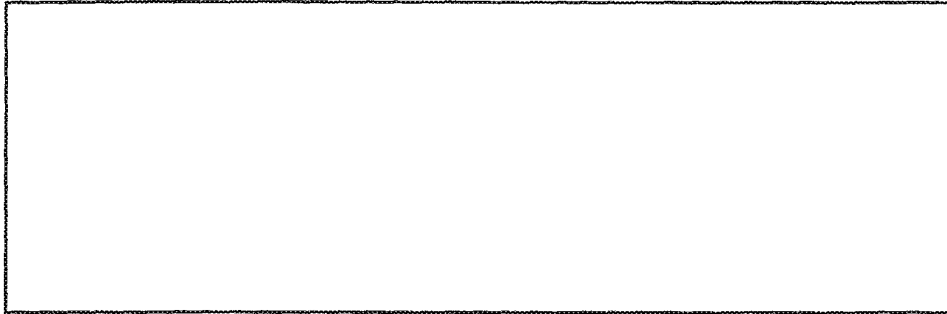


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2. SYNOPSIS

Name of Sponsor/Company: Allergan	Individual Study Table Referring to Part of the Dossier	(For National Authority Use Only)
Name of Finished Product: Ciclosporin	Volume:	
Name of Active ingredient: Ciclosporin	Page:	
<p>Title of study: A multicentre, double-masked, randomised, vehicle-controlled, parallel-group study of the safety and efficacy of cyclosporine (ciclosporin) 0.05% and 0.1% ophthalmic emulsions used twice daily (BID) for up to one year in patients with moderate to severe keratoconjunctivitis sicca (KCS). Study Number: 192371-002 <i>The clinical study report covers data collected from months 6 to 12, ie from end of vehicle-controlled masked treatment phase, to end of ciclosporin treatment extension phase.</i></p>		
<p>Study centre(s): 14 investigational sites in the USA.</p>		

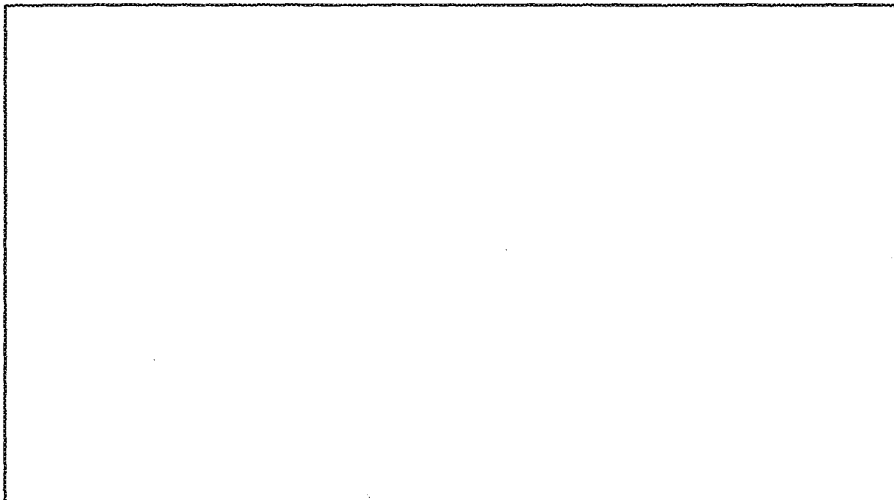
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9.4.2 IDENTITY OF INVESTIGATIONAL PRODUCT(S)

The investigational product (cyclosporin ophthalmic emulsion) was provided in unit dose vials. One vial contained one application for both eyes, and had the following identity:

- cyclosporin 0.05% ophthalmic emulsion (Allergan formulation number 9054X), which contained 0.05% cyclosporin, castor oil, glycerin, polysorbate 80, Pemulen, purified water, and sodium hydroxide to adjust pH to 7.4
- cyclosporin 0.1% ophthalmic emulsion (Allergan formulation number 8735X), which contained 0.10% cyclosporin, castor oil, glycerin, polysorbate 80, Pemulen, purified water, and sodium hydroxide to adjust pH to 7.4



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EXHIBIT B

X-Number Formulation Report

X-Number: 09054X

Dosage Form: Emulsion

[1] SODIUM HYDROXIDE Grade: NF	7.4	pH	pH Adjust
GLYCERIN Grade: USP	2.2	% w/w	Other
CASTOR OIL Grade: USP	1.25	% w/w	Other
POLYSORBATE 80 Grade: NF	1.0	% w/w	Other
CYCLOSPORINE Grade: USP	0.05	% w/w	Active
[2] PEMULEN TR-2 Grade: NF	0.05	% w/w	Other
PURIFIED WATER Grade: USP	NA	% w/w	Competitor Ingd

[1]USE 5N SODIUM HYDROXIDE

[2]ACRYLIC ACID/ALKYL METHACRYLATE COPOLYMER BY BFGOODRICH

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- A sole inventor
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- A joint inventor; all of whom are signing this request

Signature	/Laura L. Wine/
Name	Laura L. Wine

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Filing Date:	07-Aug-2013			
Title of Invention:	METHODS OF PROVIDING THERAPEUTIC EFFECTS USING CYCLOSPORIN COMPONENTS			
First Named Inventor/Applicant Name:	Andrew Acheampong			
Filer:	Laura Lee Wine/Lauren Barberena			
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13/961,828 08/07/2013 Andrew Acheampong 17618CON6 (AP) 9904

TITLE OF INVENTION: METHODS OF PROVIDING THERAPEUTIC EFFECTS USING CYCLOSPORIN COMPONENTS

Table with 7 columns: APPLN. TYPE, ENTITY STATUS, ISSUE FEE DUE, PUBLICATION FEE DUE, PREV. PAID ISSUE FEE, TOTAL FEE(S) DUE, DATE DUE

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THE APPLICATION IDENTIFIED ABOVE HAS BEEN EXAMINED AND IS ALLOWED FOR ISSUANCE AS A PATENT. PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS CLOSED. THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS. THIS APPLICATION IS SUBJECT TO WITHDRAWAL FROM ISSUE AT THE INITIATIVE OF THE OFFICE OR UPON PETITION BY THE APPLICANT. SEE 37 CFR 1.313 AND MPEP 1308.

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<p>1. Change of correspondence address or indication of "Fee Address" (37 CFR 1.363).</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Change of correspondence address (or Change of Correspondence Address form PTO/SB/122) attached.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> "Fee Address" indication (or "Fee Address" Indication form PTO/SB/47; Rev 03-02 or more recent) attached. Use of a Customer Number is required.</p>	<p>2. For printing on the patent front page, list</p> <p>(1) The names of up to 3 registered patent attorneys or agents OR, alternatively, _____ 1</p> <p>(2) The name of a single firm (having as a member a registered attorney or agent) and the names of up to 2 registered patent attorneys or agents. If no name is listed, no name will be printed. _____ 2</p> <p>_____ 3</p>
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3. ASSIGNEE NAME AND RESIDENCE DATA TO BE PRINTED ON THE PATENT (print or type)

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5. **Change in Entity Status** (from status indicated above)

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Applicant asserting small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

Applicant changing to regular undiscouted fee status.

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Determination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154 (b)
(application filed on or after May 29, 2000)

The Patent Term Adjustment to date is 0 day(s). If the issue fee is paid on the date that is three months after the mailing date of this notice and the patent issues on the Tuesday before the date that is 28 weeks (six and a half months) after the mailing date of this notice, the Patent Term Adjustment will be 0 day(s).

If a Continued Prosecution Application (CPA) was filed in the above-identified application, the filing date that determines Patent Term Adjustment is the filing date of the most recent CPA.

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<i>Notice Requiring Inventor's Oath or Declaration</i>	Application No. 13/961,828	Applicant(s) Andrew Acheampong	
	Examiner CORDERO GARCIA, MARCELA M	Art Unit 1676	

This notice is an attachment to the Notice of Allowability (PTOL-37), or the Notice of Allowability For A Design Application (PTOL-37D).

An inventor's oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 or 1.64 executed by or with respect to each inventor has not yet been submitted.

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A properly executed inventor's oath to declaration has not been received for the following inventor(s):

If applicant previously filed one or more oaths, declarations, or substitute statements, applicant may have received an informational notice regarding deficiencies therein.

The following deficiencies are noted:

INFORMAL ACTION PROBLEMS

- A properly executed inventor's oath or declaration has not been received for the following inventor(s): **Diane D. Tang-Liu**.

Applicant may submit the inventor's oath or declaration at any time before the Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due, PTOL-85, is mailed.

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Notice of Allowability	Application No. 13/961,828	Applicant(s) ACHEAMPONG ET AL.	
	Examiner MARCELA M. CORDERO GARCIA	Art Unit 1676	AIA (First Inventor to File) Status No

-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--

All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. This communication is responsive to 12/2/2013, 12/5/2013, 12/20/2013.
 A declaration(s)/affidavit(s) under **37 CFR 1.130(b)** was/were filed on _____.
2. An election was made by the applicant in response to a restriction requirement set forth during the interview on _____; the restriction requirement and election have been incorporated into this action.
3. The allowed claim(s) is/are 37-48 and 62-85. As a result of the allowed claim(s), you may be eligible to benefit from the **Patent Prosecution Highway** program at a participating intellectual property office for the corresponding application. For more information, please see http://www.uspto.gov/patents/init_events/pph/index.jsp or send an inquiry to PPHfeedback@uspto.gov.
4. Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).

Certified copies:

- a) All b) Some *c) None of the:
1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* Certified copies not received: _____.

Applicant has **THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE"** of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in **ABANDONMENT** of this application.

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5. **CORRECTED DRAWINGS** (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
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Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. **DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION** about the deposit of **BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL** must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding **REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL**.

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/MARCELA M CORDERO GARCIA/
Primary Examiner, Art Unit 1676

DETAILED ACTION

1. The present application is being examined under the pre-AIA first to invent provisions. This Office Action is in response to the replies received on 12/2/2013, 12/5/2013 and 12/20/2013.

Election/Restrictions

2. Applicant's election without traverse of the species wherein the tonicity or demulcent component is "glycerin" and the buffer is "sodium hydroxide" in the reply filed on 12/02/2013 is acknowledged. Upon reconsideration, **the election of species mailed on 10/25/2013 is herein withdrawn** and all species are being examined.

Status of the claims

3. Claims 37-61 were pending. Claim 49 was cancelled. Claims 62-85 are new claims. Claims 37 and 44 have been amended. Claims 37-48 and 62-85 are now pending. Claims 37-48 and 62-85 are presented for examination on the merits.

Declarations under 37 CFR 1.132

4. The declaration under 37 CFR 1.132 by Rhett M. Schiffman filed on 12/5/2013 (EXHIBIT 1 comprising EXHIBITS A-F) is deemed sufficient to overcome a potential 103 rejection of claims 37-48 and 62-85 based upon Ding et al. (US 5,474,979, cited in the IDS dated 9/5/2013) because: After carefully reviewing exhibits A-F, which compare the instantly claimed embodiment having 0.05%/1.25% castor oil with embodiments E and F of Ding et al. (0.10%/1.25% castor oil and 0.05/.625% cyclosporin/castor oil ratios), Examiner is persuaded that, unexpectedly, the claimed formulation (0.05% cyclosporin A/1.25% castor oil) demonstrated an 8-fold increase in relative efficacy for the Schirmer

Tear Test score in the first study of Phase 3 trials compared to the relative efficacy for the 0.05% by weight cyclosporin A/0.625% by weight castor oil formulation disclosed in Example 1E of Ding, tested in Phase 2 trials. The data represents a comparison of the subpopulation of Phase 2 patients using compositions with the same reductions in tear production (5 mm/5 min) as those enrolled in the Phase 3 studies. EXHIBIT 1 at paragraph 8. All of the cyclosporin A-containing formulations as well as the vehicle also included 2.2% by weight glycerine, 1.0% by weight polysorbate, 0.05% Pemulen, sodium hydroxide, and water (see paragraph 6, page 2 of EXHIBIT 1).

Exhibits E and F also illustrate that the claimed formulations comprising 0.05% cyclosporin A/1.25% castor oil also demonstrated a 4-fold improvement in the relative efficacy for the Schirmer Tear Test score for the second study of Phase 3 and a 4-fold increase in relative efficacy for decrease in corneal staining score in both of the Phase 3 studies compared to the 0.05% by weight cyclosporin A/0.625% by weight castor oil formulation tested in Phase 2 and disclosed in Ding (Ding 1E). The excipients were the same in the compared compositions. Given that the compositions comprise the same amount of active agent (0.05 % cyclosporin A) as Ding 1E, the improvements are surprising, unexpected and commensurate in scope with the claimed invention.

The declaration under 37 CFR 1.132 by Mayssa Attar, filed on 12/5/2013 (EXHIBIT 2, comprising EXHIBITS A-D) is deemed sufficient to overcome the rejection of claims 37-61 based upon Ding et al. (US 5,474,979, cited in the IDS dated 9/12/2013) as set forth in the last Office action because: EXHIBITS A-D were carefully reviewed. As described in paragraph 7 of the EXHIBIT 2, the chart in EXHIBIT B shows that the

amount of cyclosporin A that reaches the cornea and conjunctiva, ocular tissues that are highly relevant for the treatment of dry eye or keratoconjunctivitis sicca, is higher for the formulation containing 0.05% by weight cyclosporin A and 0.625% by weight castor oil (Ding et al. 1E) than the formulation containing 0.05% by weight cyclosporin A and 1.25% by weight castor oil (the claimed formulation) relative to the formulation containing 0.1% by weight cyclosporin A and 1.25% by weight castor oil (Ding et al. 1D). According to Dr. Attar, this data teaches that the formulation containing 0.05% by weight cyclosporin A and 1.25% by weight castor oil would be less therapeutically effective than the formulation containing 0.05% by weight cyclosporin A and 0.625% by weight castor oil or the formulation containing 0.10% by weight cyclosporin A and 1.25% by weight castor oil. EXHIBIT A, paragraph 8. Therefore it would be unexpected that the composition with lower uptake in cornea and conjunctiva would have significantly improved activity.

Taking the results of the studies and data presented in the EXHIBITS 1 and 2 together, it is clear that the specific combination of 0.05% by weight cyclosporin A with 1.25% by weight castor oil is surprisingly critical for therapeutic effectiveness in the treatment of dry eye or keratoconjunctivitis sicca.

Accordingly, the Declarations in EXHIBIT 1 and EXHIBIT 2, together with the data presented in those declarations, provide clear and convincing objective evidence that establishes that the claimed formulations, including 0.05% by weight cyclosporin A and 1.25% by weight castor oil, demonstrate surprising and unexpected results, including improved Schirmer Tear Test scores and corneal staining scores (key

objective measures of efficacy for dry eye or keratoconjunctivitis sicca) and improved visual blurring and reduced artificial tear use as compared to the prior art, for example, emulsion formulations disclosed in Ding et al., including formulations with 0.05% by weight cyclosporin A and 0.625% by weight castor oil (Ding et al. 1E) and formulations with 0.10% by weight cyclosporin A and 1.25% by weight castor oil (Ding et al. 1D) which are the closest prior art formulations. The unexpected results are commensurate in scope with the claims (MPEP 716.02(d)).

Thus, a potential obviousness rejection in view of Ding et al. is rendered moot.

Declaration under 37 CFR 1.131

5. The 37 CFR 1.131 declaration filed on 12/5/2013 has been reviewed and accepted, thus obviating the need for a potential 102(e) rejection over US 6,984,628 (corresponding to US 2005/0014691, cited in the IDS dated 9/5/2013).

Double Patenting

6. A potential ODP rejection over Ding et al. (US 5,474,979, cited in the IDS dated 9/5/2013) is rendered moot for the reasons set forth in section 4 above.

Terminal disclaimers

7. Terminal disclaimers for 12/035,698; 13/649,287; 13/967,168; 13/967,179; 13/967,189; 13/967,163; 11/897,177 were received and accepted on 12/20/2013. Therefore, potential ODP rejections for these applications are rendered moot.

Conclusion

8. Claims 37-48 and 62-85 are allowed.

The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

9. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The closest prior art is that of Ding et al. (US 5,474,979, cited in the IDS dated 9/5/2013), which would necessitate a potential 103 rejection and Bakhit et al. (US 6,984,628, corresponding to US 2005/0014691, cited in the IDS dated 9/5/2013) which would necessitate a potential 102(e) rejection. However, these potential rejections have been obviated in view of declarations under 1.132 and 1.131 as described in detail in paragraphs 4 and 5 above.

.Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

10. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to MARCELA M. CORDERO GARCIA whose telephone number is (571)272-2939. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 8:30-5:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Karlheinz R. Skowronek can be reached on (571)-272-9047. The fax phone

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Primary Examiner, Art Unit 1676

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Applicant-Initiated Interview Summary	Application No. 13/961,828	Applicant(s) ACHEAMPONG ET AL.	
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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) MARCELA M. CORDERO GARCIA. (3)_____.

(2) LAURA L. WINE. (4)_____.

Date of Interview: 04 December 2013.

Type: Telephonic Video Conference
 Personal [copy given to: applicant applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: Yes No.
If Yes, brief description: _____.

Issues Discussed 101 112 102 103 Others
(For each of the checked box(es) above, please describe below the issue and detailed description of the discussion)

Claim(s) discussed: 37 and 44.

Identification of prior art discussed: Ding et al. (US 5,474,979, cited in the IDS dated 9/5/2013) and Bakhit et al. (US 6,984,628, corresponding to US 2005/0014691, cited in the IDS dated 9/5/2013).

Substance of Interview

(For each issue discussed, provide a detailed description and indicate if agreement was reached. Some topics may include: identification or clarification of a reference or a portion thereof, claim interpretation, proposed amendments, arguments of any applied references etc...)

See Continuation Sheet.

Applicant recordation instructions: The formal written reply to the last Office action must include the substance of the interview. (See MPEP section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, applicant is given a non-extendable period of the longer of one month or thirty days from this interview date, or the mailing date of this interview summary form, whichever is later, to file a statement of the substance of the interview

Examiner recordation instructions: Examiners must summarize the substance of any interview of record. A complete and proper recordation of the substance of an interview should include the items listed in MPEP 713.04 for complete and proper recordation including the identification of the general thrust of each argument or issue discussed, a general indication of any other pertinent matters discussed regarding patentability and the general results or outcome of the interview, to include an indication as to whether or not agreement was reached on the issues raised.

Attachment

Summary of Record of Interview Requirements

Manual of Patent Examining Procedure (MPEP), Section 713.04, Substance of Interview Must be Made of Record

A complete written statement as to the substance of any face-to-face, video conference, or telephone interview with regard to an application must be made of record in the application whether or not an agreement with the examiner was reached at the interview.

Title 37 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) § 1.133 Interviews

Paragraph (b)

In every instance where reconsideration is requested in view of an interview with an examiner, a complete written statement of the reasons presented at the interview as warranting favorable action must be filed by the applicant. An interview does not remove the necessity for reply to Office action as specified in §§ 1.111, 1.135. (35 U.S.C. 132)

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All business with the Patent or Trademark Office should be transacted in writing. The personal attendance of applicants or their attorneys or agents at the Patent and Trademark Office is unnecessary. The action of the Patent and Trademark Office will be based exclusively on the written record in the Office. No attention will be paid to any alleged oral promise, stipulation, or understanding in relation to which there is disagreement or doubt.

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Examiners must complete an Interview Summary Form for each interview held where a matter of substance has been discussed during the interview by checking the appropriate boxes and filling in the blanks. Discussions regarding only procedural matters, directed solely to restriction requirements for which interview recordation is otherwise provided for in Section 812.01 of the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure, or pointing out typographical errors or unreadable script in Office actions or the like, are excluded from the interview recordation procedures below. Where the substance of an interview is completely recorded in an Examiners Amendment, no separate Interview Summary Record is required.

The Interview Summary Form shall be given an appropriate Paper No., placed in the right hand portion of the file, and listed on the "Contents" section of the file wrapper. In a personal interview, a duplicate of the Form is given to the applicant (or attorney or agent) at the conclusion of the interview. In the case of a telephone or video-conference interview, the copy is mailed to the applicant's correspondence address either with or prior to the next official communication. If additional correspondence from the examiner is not likely before an allowance or if other circumstances dictate, the Form should be mailed promptly after the interview rather than with the next official communication.

The Form provides for recordation of the following information:

- Application Number (Series Code and Serial Number)
- Name of applicant
- Name of examiner
- Date of interview
- Type of interview (telephonic, video-conference, or personal)
- Name of participant(s) (applicant, attorney or agent, examiner, other PTO personnel, etc.)
- An indication whether or not an exhibit was shown or a demonstration conducted
- An identification of the specific prior art discussed
- An indication whether an agreement was reached and if so, a description of the general nature of the agreement (may be by attachment of a copy of amendments or claims agreed as being allowable). Note: Agreement as to allowability is tentative and does not restrict further action by the examiner to the contrary.
- The signature of the examiner who conducted the interview (if Form is not an attachment to a signed Office action)

It is desirable that the examiner orally remind the applicant of his or her obligation to record the substance of the interview of each case. It should be noted, however, that the Interview Summary Form will not normally be considered a complete and proper recordation of the interview unless it includes, or is supplemented by the applicant or the examiner to include, all of the applicable items required below concerning the substance of the interview.

A complete and proper recordation of the substance of any interview should include at least the following applicable items:

- 1) A brief description of the nature of any exhibit shown or any demonstration conducted,
- 2) an identification of the claims discussed,
- 3) an identification of the specific prior art discussed,
- 4) an identification of the principal proposed amendments of a substantive nature discussed, unless these are already described on the Interview Summary Form completed by the Examiner,
- 5) a brief identification of the general thrust of the principal arguments presented to the examiner,
(The identification of arguments need not be lengthy or elaborate. A verbatim or highly detailed description of the arguments is not required. The identification of the arguments is sufficient if the general nature or thrust of the principal arguments made to the examiner can be understood in the context of the application file. Of course, the applicant may desire to emphasize and fully describe those arguments which he or she feels were or might be persuasive to the examiner.)
- 6) a general indication of any other pertinent matters discussed, and
- 7) if appropriate, the general results or outcome of the interview unless already described in the Interview Summary Form completed by the examiner.

Examiners are expected to carefully review the applicant's record of the substance of an interview. If the record is not complete and accurate, the examiner will give the applicant an extendable one month time period to correct the record.

Examiner to Check for Accuracy

If the claims are allowable for other reasons of record, the examiner should send a letter setting forth the examiner's version of the statement attributed to him or her. If the record is complete and accurate, the examiner should place the indication, "Interview Record OK" on the paper recording the substance of the interview along with the date and the examiner's initials.

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Applicant's representative contacted Examiner to discuss the case and expedite any needed response. Examiner discussed potential rejections that would be needed with the closest prior art found (as set forth above). With respect to a potential 103 and ODP rejections over Ding et al. (See Examples, abstract and claims of Ding et al.), Applicant plans to file evidence of unexpected results. With respect to a potential 102(e) rejection over Bakhit et al. (US 6,928,628) (see Table 5 of Bakhit et al), Applicant's representative plans to file a 1.131 declaration. Upon careful consideration, no TD is deemed needed for Bakhit et al. In a telephonic conversation on 12/20/2013 Applicant's representative discussed the possibility of obviating the need of a TD for 11/897,177 wherein a previous restriction among product and method of using thereof had been made. Examiner noted that 35 USC 121 only applies to divisionals, not to continuations (See 92 USPQ2d 1289, Amgen Inc. v. F. Hoffmann-La Roche Ltd. U.S. Court of Appeals Federal Circuit Nos. 2009-1020, -1096. Decided September 15, 2009 580 F3d 1340). Therefore, a TD for 11/897,177 was still deemed necessary. TDs for 12/035,698; 13/649,287; 13/967,168; 13/967,179; 13/967,189; 13/967,163; 11/897,177 were requested by Examiner to obviate potential non-statutory DP rejections. Such TDs were received and approved on 12/20/2013.

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- See attached certification statement.
- Fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17 (p) has been submitted herewith.
- None

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A signature of the applicant or representative is required in accordance with CFR 1.33, 10.18. Please see CFR 1.4(d) for the form of the signature.

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 ACCESSION NUMBER: 2012:974032 CAPLUS
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: 157:209519
 TITLE: Cyclosporin-containing ophthalmic emulsion gel and its
 preparation method
 INVENTOR(S): Mao, Yufeng
 PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Wuxi Xinrentang Pharmaceutical Technology Co., Ltd.,
 Peop. Rep. China
 SOURCE: Faming Zhuanli Shenqing, 12pp.
 CODEN: CNXXEV
 DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent
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AB The ophthalmic emulsion gel is composed of hydrophilic polymer(polyalkenyl alc. or non-ionic surfactant emulsifier) 0.01-10, higher fatty acid glyceride(one or more of olive oil, peanut oil, castor oil, mineral oil, etc.) 0.01-10, hydrophobic drug cyclosporin A 0.001-10, gel matrix(one or more of hydroxypropyl Me cellulose, hydroxypropyl Et cellulose, Me cellulose, etc.) 0.02-10, pH regulator(one or more of NaOH, sodium bicarbonate, HCl, etc.) 0-10, osmotic pressure regulator(glucose, glycerol, 0.7-0.9% NaCl solution, mannitol or sorbitol) 0-10, and purified water 10-12 weight parts. The preparation method comprises mixing higher fatty acid glyceride with hydrophobic drug cyclosporin, dissolving, regulating pH to 3-9, obtaining oil phase; dissolving hydrophilic polymer in 1-2 parts of water for injection to obtain water phase; adding oil phase into water phase, mixing to obtain emulsion; adding 9-10 parts of water for injection into beaker, sprinkling gel matrix on the surface of water for injection, standing and swelling; mixing emulsion with gel, stirring, regulating pH with pH regulator to 3-9, adding osmotic pressure regulator till the osmotic pressure of mixed solution is 200-350 Osmol/kg, subpackaging, and sterilizing at 115-125 and 0.05-0.15 MPa for 15-25 min. The ophthalmic emulsion gel directly acts on infected part, and can throughly and effectively play its role.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2008:739200 CAPLUS
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: 149:45292
 TITLE: Cyclosporin compositions
 INVENTOR(S): Graham, Richard S.; Tien, Walter L.; Attar, Mayssa; Schiffman, Rhett; Morgan, Aileen; Hollander, David A.
 PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Allergan, Inc., USA
 SOURCE: U.S. Pat. Appl. Publ., 26 pp., Cont.-in-part of U.S. Ser. No. 781,095.
 CODEN: USXXCO
 DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent
 LANGUAGE: English
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US 20080207495	A1	20080828	US 2008-35698	20080222
AU 2008349774	A1	20090813	AU 2008-349774	20080918
CA 2700182	A1	20090813	CA 2008-2700182	20080918
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ZA 2009000448	A	20100526	ZA 2009-448	20090120
MX 2010003045	A	20100429	MX 2010-3045	20100319
IN 2010DN02414	A	20101001	IN 2010-DN2414	20100408
CN 101835463	A	20100915	CN 2008-80113223	20100426
AU 2013213743	A1	20130829	AU 2013-213743	20130809

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AB Disclosed herein are therapeutic methods, compns., and medicaments related to cyclosporine. Loss of corneal sensitivity is treated by administering a composition comprising cyclosporin A at a concentration of from about 0.0001 % (w/v) to less than about 0.05 % (w/v) to a person in need thereof. A composition containing cyclosporin A 0.05%, Pemulen TR-2 0.10%, Polysorbate 80 1.00%, glycerin 1.00%, mannitol 2.00%, NaOH to pH 7.35, and purified water q.s. to 100% gave the highest cyclosporin A ocular tissue exposure levels following a single ocular instillation.

L4 ANSWER 3 OF 13 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2013 ACS on STN

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2006:590857 CAPLUS
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 145:443655
TITLE: Stable bioavailability of cyclosporin A, regardless of food intake, from soft gelatin capsules containing a new self-nanoemulsifying formulation
AUTHOR(S): Yang, S. G.; Kim, D. D.; Chung, S. J.; Shim, C. K.
CORPORATE SOURCE: Research Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences and College of Pharmacy, Seoul National University, Seoul, S. Korea
SOURCE: International Journal of Clinical Pharmacology and Therapeutics (2006), 44(5), 233-239
CODEN: ICTHEK; ISSN: 0946-1965
PUBLISHER: Dustri-Verlag Dr. Karl Feistle
DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal
LANGUAGE: English

AB Aim: We recently succeeded in preparing soft gelatin capsules containing a new self-nanoemulsifying formulation consisting of cyclosporin A (CsA), triacetin, polyoxyl 40 hydrogenated castor oil, polysorbate 20, medium chain triglycerides and medium chain mono- and diglycerides. The soft capsules containing the new formulation exhibited a significantly improved phys. stability in terms of the appearance of the gelatin capsule shells and the composition of the fill mass during long-term storage, compared to com. available soft capsules containing CsA, in which ethanol was employed as a cosolvent of CsA. In the present study, the influence of a fat-rich meal on the bioavailability of CsA from the soft capsule containing the new formulation (test drug) was evaluated and the results compared to those obtained with a representative soft capsule of CsA. Volunteers and methods: A randomized, open-label, 3-way crossover study was performed in the test capsules and reference soft capsules, in a fasted state or after a fat-rich breakfast. 18 Healthy male volunteers received a single dose of the reference formulation (Neoral, Novartis AG, Basel, Switzerland) or test formulation (2 capsules each, 200 mg as CsA) with 240 mL of water with a

1-wk washout period between the treatments, after a fat-rich (670 kcal, 45 g fat) breakfast (for the test drug, Treatment A; for the reference drug, Treatment B) or a 12-h fasting (for the test drug, Treatment C). Serial blood samples, collected over a 24-h period after the administration, were assayed for blood CsA concns. using a specific monoclonal RIA. Results: The differences in bioavailability parameters (i.e., AUC0-24h, AUC0-∞ and Cmax) between the treatments were within the range of 80 - 125% of the reference treatment. An anal. of variance (ANOVA) revealed no significant differences (p > 0.05) between subjects, formulations or periods. The 90% confidence intervals (CI) indicated that the differences between the treatments (Treatments A and B, Treatments A and C) were also within the criteria. Conclusion: These results indicate that the bioavailability of CsA from the test drug is equivalent to reference in the fed state, and is likely to be less influenced by a fat-rich meal. Therefore, the new formulation of CsA using triacetin appears to have an advantage over the com. soft capsules of CsA using a volatile cosolvent such as ethanol.

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 ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001:319777 CAPLUS
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: 134:344591
 TITLE: Method and compositions for administering taxanes orally to human patients
 INVENTOR(S): Brodor, Samuel; Duchin, Kenneth; Selim, Sami
 PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Baker Norton Pharmaceuticals, Inc., USA
 SOURCE: PCT Int. Appl., 45 pp.
 CODEN: PIXXD2
 DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent
 LANGUAGE: English
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HU 2002003303	A2	20030228	HU 2002-3303	20001027
HU 2002003303	A3	20050128		
JP 2003512443	T	20030402	JP 2001-532859	20001027
NO 2002002008	A	20020619	NO 2002-2008	20020426
MX 2002004164	A	20021017	MX 2002-4164	20020426
ZA 2002003358	A	20030429	ZA 2002-3358	20020426
IN 2002KN0545	A	20050923	IN 2002-KN545	20020426
PRIORITY APPLN. INFO.:			US 1999-60162310	P 19991027
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AB Taxane antineoplastic agents which exhibit poor or non-existent oral bioavailability are administered orally to human patients suffering from taxane-responsive disease conditions and made sufficiently bioavailable to achieve therapeutic blood levels. In a preferred embodiment, the taxane, preferably paclitaxel, is co-administered to the patient with an oral cyclosporin as bioavailability-enhancing agent, preferably cyclosporin A (CyA). The maximum effect of CyA on the enhancement of the exposure to paclitaxel was observed at a single dose of CyA of 15 mg/kg. By one preferred method, a dose of oral enhancer is administered about 0.5-72 h before the taxane and a second dose of the enhancer is administered immediately before, together with or immediately after the taxane. A method of treating human patients suffering from taxane-responsive disease conditions is also provided, as well as a method for providing such treatment while preventing or reducing hypersensitivity and allergic reactions without the need for premedication. For example, a male patient with prostate cancer received an enhancer (Sandimmune, 5 mg/kg in two doses, 1 h apart). Just after the 2nd dose, the patient drank a Cremophor EL/alc.-based solution of paclitaxel in a dose of 2 mg/kg. Plasma levels of 0.05 μ M of paclitaxel were present for about 10-12 h after oral administration of paclitaxel, i.e. levels comparable to those found in breast cancer patients receiving 96-h i.v. infusion of paclitaxel.

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 DOCUMENT NUMBER: 124:66660
 ORIGINAL REFERENCE NO.: 124:12317a,12320a
 TITLE: Lacrimal gland-specific emulsions for topical application to ocular tissue
 INVENTOR(S): Ding, Shulin; Tien, Walter L.; Olejnik, Orest
 PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Allergan, Inc., USA
 SOURCE: PCT Int. Appl., 27 pp.
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GR 3036945	T3	20020131	GR 2001-401814	20011018
KR 450703	B1	20041001	KR 2001-88637	20011229
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WO 1995-US6302	W	19950517
KR 1996-706523	A3	19961118

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AB A pharmaceutical composition is disclosed in the form of a nonirritating emulsion which includes at least one cyclosporin in admixt. with a higher fatty acid glyceride and polysorbate 80. More particularly, the cyclosporin may be cyclosporine A and the higher fatty acid glyceride may be castor oil. The composition allows a high comfort level and low irritation potential suitable for delivery of medications to sensitive areas such as ocular tissues with enhanced absorption in the lacrimal gland. In addition, the composition has stability for up to 9 mo without crystallization of cyclosporin.

For example, an ophthalmic emulsion containing cyclosporin A 0.2, castor oil 2.5, Polysorbate-80 1.0, Pemulen 0.05, glycerol 2.2, NaOH q.s., and purified water to 100% was formulated to treat keratoconjunctivitis sicca.

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 ACCESSION NUMBER: 2006296965 MEDLINE
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: PubMed ID: 16724578
 TITLE: Stable bioavailability of cyclosporin A, regardless of food intake, from soft gelatin capsules containing a new self-nanoemulsifying formulation.
 AUTHOR: Yang S G; Kim D D; Chung S J; Shim C K
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Research Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences and College of Pharmacy, Seoul National University, Seoul, Korea.
 SOURCE: International journal of clinical pharmacology and therapeutics, (2006 May) Vol. 44, No. 5, pp. 233-9.
 Journal code: 9423309. ISSN: 0946-1965. L-ISSN: 0946-1965.
 PUB. COUNTRY: Germany: Germany, Federal Republic of
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AB AIM: We recently succeeded in preparing soft gelatin capsules containing a new self-nanoemulsifying formulation consisting of cyclosporin A (CsA), triacetin, polyoxyl 40 hydrogenated castor oil, polysorbate 20, medium chain triglycerides and medium chain mono- and diglycerides. The soft capsules containing the new formulation exhibited a significantly improved physical stability in terms of the appearance of the gelatin capsule shells and the composition of the fill mass during long-term storage, compared to commercially available soft capsules containing CsA, in which ethanol was employed as a cosolvent of CsA. In the present study, the influence of a fat-rich meal on the bioavailability of CsA from the soft capsule containing the new formulation (test drug) was evaluated and the results compared to those obtained with a representative soft capsule of CsA.

VOLUNTEERS AND METHODS: A randomized, open-label, 3-way crossover study was performed in the test capsules and reference soft capsules, in a fasted state or after a fat-rich breakfast. 18 healthy male volunteers received a single dose of the reference formulation (Neoral, Novartis AG, Basel, Switzerland) or test formulation (2 capsules each, 200 mg as CsA) with 240 ml of water with a 1-week washout period between the treatments, after a fat-rich (670 kcal, 45 g fat) breakfast (for the test drug, Treatment A; for the reference drug, Treatment B) or a 12-h fasting (for the test drug, Treatment C). Serial blood samples, collected over a 24-h period after the administration, were assayed for blood CsA concentrations using a specific monoclonal radioimmunoassay.

RESULTS: The differences in bioavailability parameters (i.e., AUC(0-24h), AUC(0-infinity) and C(max)) between the treatments were within the range of 80-125% of the reference treatment. An analysis of variance (ANOVA) revealed no significant differences ($p > 0.05$) between subjects, formulations or periods. The 90% confidence intervals (CI) indicated that the differences between the treatments (Treatments A and B, Treatments A and C) were also within the criteria.

CONCLUSION: These results indicate that the bioavailability of CsA from the test drug is equivalent to reference in the fed state, and is likely to be less influenced by a fat-rich meal. Therefore, the new formulation of CsA using triacetin appears to have an advantage over the commercial soft capsules of CsA using a volatile cosolvent such as ethanol.

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DOCUMENT NUMBER: PubMed ID: 10564835
TITLE: Pharmacokinetics and organ distribution of cyclosporin A incorporated in liposomes and mixed micelles.
AUTHOR: Lee M K; Choi L; Kim M H; Kim C K
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AB PURPOSE: To determine the ocular pharmacokinetics of cyclosporin A after topical ophthalmic administration.

METHODS: Radiolabeled cyclosporin A in either a castor oil-in-water emulsion or a corn oil ointment was applied to the eyes of beagle dogs or

albino rabbits using the following paradigms: (i) single doses of 0.2% emulsion to rabbits and dogs, (ii) single doses of 0.05%, 0.2%, or 0.4% emulsion to rabbits, (iii) multiple doses of 0.2% emulsion to dogs, (iv) single and multiple doses of 0.2% ointment to rabbits. The distribution of cyclosporin A was determined by measuring the distribution of radioactivity.

RESULTS: After a single dose, cyclosporin A was rapidly absorbed into the conjunctiva (Cmax: dogs, 1490 ng/g; rabbits, 1340 ng/g) and cornea (Cmax: dogs, 311 ng/g; rabbits, 955 ng/g). High concentrations (>300 ng/g) could be detected in the cornea up to 96 hours post-dose. Lower concentrations were found in the intraocular tissues, and systemic absorption was minimal. After multiple doses, there was some accumulation in the cornea, lens, lacrimal gland, and iris-cilliary body, but limited accumulation in the conjunctiva and sclera. Ocular tissue concentrations of cyclosporin A increased with increasing dose concentration; proportionally in lacrimal gland and intraocular tissues; less than proportionally in conjunctiva and cornea. The pharmacokinetic profile of the cyclosporin A corn oil ointment was similar to that of the emulsion.

CONCLUSIONS: Topical ophthalmic cyclosporin A penetrated into extraocular tissues at concentrations adequate for local immunomodulation while penetration into intraocular tissues was much less and absorption into the blood was minimal.

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TITLE: Stable bioavailability of cyclosporin A, regardless of food intake, from soft gelatin capsules containing a new self-nanoemulsifying formulation.
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AB Aim: We recently succeeded in preparing soft gelatin capsules containing a new self-nanoemulsifying formulation consisting of cyclosporin A (CsA), triacetin, polyoxyl 40 hydrogenated castor oil, polysorbate 20, medium chain triglycerides and medium chain mono- and diglycerides. The soft capsules containing the new formulation exhibited a significantly improved physical stability in terms of the appearance of the gelatin capsule shells and the composition of the fill mass during long-term storage, compared to commercially available soft capsules containing CsA, in which

ethanol was employed as a cosolvent of CsA. In the present study, the influence of a fat-rich meal on the bioavailability of CsA from the soft capsule containing the new formulation (test drug) was evaluated and the results compared to those obtained with a representative soft capsule of CsA. Volunteers and methods: A randomized, open-label, 3-way crossover study was performed in the test capsules and reference soft capsules, in a fasted state or after a fat-rich breakfast. 18 healthy male volunteers received a single dose of the reference formulation (Neoral, Novartis AG, Basel, Switzerland) or test formulation (2 capsules each, 200 mg as CsA) with 240 ml of water with a 1-week washout period between the treatments, after a fat-rich (670 kcal, 45 g fat) breakfast (for the test drug, Treatment A; for the reference drug, Treatment B) or a 12-h fasting (for the test drug, Treatment C). Serial blood samples, collected over a 24-h period after the administration, were assayed for blood CsA concentrations using a specific monoclonal radioimmunoassay. Results: The differences in bioavailability parameters (i.e., AUC_{0-24h}, AUC_{0-∞} and C_{max}) between the treatments were within the range of 80-125% of the reference treatment. An analysis of variance (ANOVA) revealed no significant differences (p > 0.05) between subjects, formulations or periods. The 90% confidence intervals (CI) indicated that the differences between the treatments (Treatments A and B, Treatments A and C) were also within the criteria. Conclusion: These results indicate that the bioavailability of CsA from the test drug is equivalent to reference in the fed state, and is likely to be less influenced by a fat-rich meal. Therefore, the new formulation of CsA using triacetin appears to have an advantage over the commercial soft capsules of CsA using a volatile cosolvent such as ethanol. .COPYRG. 2006 Dustriverlag Dr. K. Feistle.

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TITLE: Pharmacokinetics and organ distribution of cyclosporin A incorporated in liposomes and mixed micelles.

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AB The commercially available intravenous dosage form of cyclosporin A (C-CsA) contains a solubilizing agent, polyoxyethylated castor oil,

which has been reported to be toxic. To replace the toxic solubilizing agent present in C-CsA, liposomal and mixed micellar preparations were made to solubilize CsA by the proliposome method and characterized. Furthermore, pharmacokinetics and organ distributions of these preparations were evaluated in comparison to C-CsA, which is micellar. The mean size of liposomal preparation (L-CsA) composed of DPPC/PA (molar ratio 3/1) and CsA was 43.6 nm and that of mixed micellar preparation (M-CsA) composed of DMPC/DSPE-PEG (molar ratio 95/5) and CsA was 6.5 nm. The solubilization of CsA was 2-fold greater in mixed micellar solution than in liposomes (0.06 vs 0.03 mg of CsA/mg of lipid). L-CsA, M-CsA and C-CsA were intravenously administered into rats via the femoral vein to analyze pharmacokinetics and organ distribution of CsA. M-CsA was not significantly different from C-CsA in every pharmacokinetic parameter studied. However, L-CsA resulted in 30% decrease in AUC and 55% increase in Cl(t) compared with C-CsA (P<0.05), without any significant differences in MRT, V(dss) and t(1/2). In addition, the distributions of M-CsA and L-CsA in different organs were not significantly different from those of C-CsA (P>0.05), except for a 51% decrease of M-CsA in the spleen at 4 h and a 33% increase of L-CsA in the liver at 4 h (P<0.05). These findings demonstrate that the liposomal preparation composed of DPPC/PA and CsA shows slightly different pharmacokinetics and organ distribution patterns from C-CsA, whereas the mixed micellar preparation composed of DMPC/DSPE-PEG and CsA exhibits similar patterns to C-CsA, as expected. Furthermore, these results suggest that those mixed micellar and liposomal preparations can replace C-CsA containing the toxic solubilizing agent, thus providing useful alternative dosage forms for intravenous administration of CsA. Copyright (C) 1999 Elsevier Science B.V.

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TITLE: Distribution of cyclosporin A in ocular tissues after topical administration to albino rabbits and beagle dogs.

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AB Purpose. To determine the ocular pharmacokinetics of cyclosporin A after topical ophthalmic administration. Methods. Radiolabeled cyclosporin A in either a castor oil-in-water emulsion or a corn oil ointment was applied to the eyes of beagle dogs or albino rabbits using the following paradigms: (i) single doses of 0.2% emulsion to rabbits and dogs, (ii) single doses of 0.05%, 0.2%, or 0.4% emulsion to rabbits, (iii)

multiple doses of 0.2% emulsion to dogs, (iv) single and multiple doses of 0.2% ointment to rabbits. The distribution of cyclosporin A was determined by measuring the distribution of radioactivity. Results. After a single dose, cyclosporin A was rapidly absorbed into the conjunctiva (C(max): dogs, 1490 ng/g; rabbits, 1340 ng/g) and cornea (C(max): dogs, 311 ng/g; rabbits, 955 ng/g). High concentrations (> 300 ng/g) could be detected in the cornea up to 96 hours post-dose. Lower concentrations were found in the intraocular tissues, and systemic absorption was minimal. After multiple doses, there was some accumulation in the cornea, lens, lacrimal gland, and iris-ciliary body, but limited accumulation in the conjunctiva and sclera. Ocular tissue concentrations of cyclosporin A increased with increasing dose concentration; proportionally in lacrimal gland and intraocular tissues; less than proportionally in conjunctiva and cornea. The pharmacokinetic profile of the cyclosporin A corn oil ointment was similar to that of the emulsion. Conclusions. Topical ophthalmic cyclosporin A penetrated into extraocular tissues at concentrations adequate for local immunomodulation while penetration into intraocular tissues was much less and absorption into the blood was minimal.

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AUTHOR(S): Yang, S. G.; Kim, D. D.; Chung, S. J.; Shim, C. K. [Reprint Author]
CORPORATE SOURCE: Seoul Natl Univ, Coll Pharm, Dept Pharmaceut, San 56-1, Shinlim Dong, Seoul 151742, South Korea shimck@snu.ac.kr
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AB Aim: We recently succeeded in preparing soft gelatin capsules containing a new self-nanoemulsifying formulation consisting of cyclosporin A (CsA), triacetin, polyoxyl 40 hydrogenated castor oil, polysorbate 20, medium chain triglycerides and medium chain mono- and diglycerides. The soft capsules containing the new formulation exhibited a significantly improved physical stability in terms of the appearance of the gelatin capsule shells and the composition of the fill mass during long-term storage, compared to commercially available soft capsules containing CsA, in which ethanol was employed as a cosolvent of CsA. In the present study, the influence of a fat-rich meal on the bioavailability of CsA from the soft capsule containing the new formulation (test drug) was evaluated and the results compared to those obtained with a representative soft capsule of CsA. Volunteers and methods: A randomized, open-label, 3-way crossover study was performed in the test capsules and reference soft capsules, in a fasted state or after a fat-rich breakfast. 18 healthy male volunteers received a single dose of the reference formulation (Neoral, Novartis AG, Basel, Switzerland) or test formulation (2 capsules each, 200 mg as CsA) with 240 ml of water with a 1-week washout period between the treatments, after a fat-rich (670 kcal, 45 g fat) breakfast (for the test drug, Treatment A; for the reference drug, Treatment B) or a 12-h fasting (for the test drug, Treatment Q. Serial blood samples, collected over a 24-h period after the administration, were assayed for blood CsA concentrations using a specific monoclonal radioimmunoassay. Results: The differences in

bioavailability parameters (i.e., AUC(0-24h), AUC(0-infinity) and C-max) between the treatments were within the range of 80 - 125% of the reference treatment. An analysis of variance (ANOVA) revealed no significant differences ($p > 0.05$) between subjects, formulations or periods. The 90% confidence intervals (CI) indicated that the differences between the treatments (Treatments A and B, Treatments A and Q) were also within the criteria. Conclusion: These results indicate that the bioavailability of CsA from the test drug is equivalent to reference in the fed state, and is likely to be less influenced by a fat-rich meal. Therefore, the new formulation of CsA using triacetin appears to have an advantage over the commercial soft capsules of CsA using a volatile cosolvent such as ethanol.

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AB The commercially available intravenous dosage form of cyclosporin A (C-CsA) contains a solubilizing agent, polyoxyethylated castor oil, which has been reported to be toxic. To replace the toxic solubilizing agent present in C-CsA, liposomal and mixed micellar preparations were made to solubilize CsA by the proliposome method and characterized. Furthermore, pharmacokinetics and organ distributions of these preparations were evaluated in comparison to C-CsA, which is micellar. The mean size of liposomal preparation (L-CsA) composed of DPPC/PA (molar ratio 3/1) and CsA was 43.6 nm and that of mixed micellar preparation (M-CsA) composed of DMPC/DSPE-PEG (molar ratio 95/5) and CsA was 6.5 nm. The solubilization of CsA was 2-fold greater in mixed micellar solution than in liposomes (0.06 vs 0.03 mg of CsA/mg of lipid). L-CsA, M-CsA and C-CsA were intravenously administered into rats via the femoral vein to analyze pharmacokinetics and organ distribution of CsA. M-CsA was not significantly different from C-CsA in every pharmacokinetic parameter studied. However, L-CsA resulted in 30% decrease in AUC and 55% increase in Clt compared with C-CsA ($P < 0.05$), without any significant differences in MRT, Vdss and $t_{1/2}$. In addition, the distributions of M-CsA and L-CsA in different organs were not significantly different from those of C-CsA ($P > 0.05$), except for a 51% decrease of M-CsA in the spleen at 4 h and a 33% increase of L-CsA in the liver at 4 h ($P < 0.05$). These findings demonstrate that the liposomal preparation composed of DPPC/PA and CsA shows slightly different pharmacokinetics and organ distribution patterns from C-CsA, whereas the mixed micellar preparation composed of DMPC/DSPE-PEG and CsA exhibits similar patterns to C-CsA, as expected. Furthermore, these results suggest that those mixed micellar and liposomal preparations can replace C-CsA containing the toxic solubilizing agent, thus providing useful alternative dosage forms for intravenous administration of CsA.

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Examiner: Marcela M Cordero Garcia

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COMMENTS ON STATEMENTS OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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To the extent that there is any implication in such Statement that the patentability of the claims rests on the recitation of a single feature or the combination of particular features, Applicants respectfully disagree, since patentability rests on each claim taken as a whole. For example, Applicants submit that there are additional features from the claims that are not set forth in the cited art. Further, the Examiner's Statement refers to certain features of the claims. To the extent that the Examiner's Statement omits claim elements, groups claims together, or identifies purportedly distinguishing features of a claim or a group of claims, Applicants respectfully disagree with the Examiner's Statement. Rather, Applicants submit that the claims are allowable, because each claim, taken as a whole, recites a unique combination of features that is not anticipated or rendered obvious by the prior art.

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PATENT OR TRADEMARK NO.	DATE OF PATENT OR TRADEMARK	HOLDER OF PATENT OR TRADEMARK
1 8,633,162	1/21/2014	Allergan, Inc.
2 8,642,556	2/4/2014	Allergan, Inc.
3 8,648,048	2/11/2014	Allergan, Inc.
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