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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.

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. 13/961,818 filed August 7, 2013, which 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.

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 method of treating dry eye disease, the method comprising topically administering to the eye of the human an emulsion at a frequency of twice a day, wherein the 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 effective in treating dry eye disease.

- 38. (New) The method of Claim 37, wherein the emulsion further comprises a tonicity agent or a demulcent component.
- 39. (New) The method of Claim 38, wherein the tonicity agent or the demulcent component is glycerine.
- 40. (New) The method of Claim 37, wherein the emulsion further comprises a buffer.
- 41. (New) The method of Claim 40, wherein the buffer is sodium hydroxide.
- 42. (New) The method of Claim 37, wherein the topical ophthalmic emulsion further comprises glycerine and a buffer.
- 43. (New) The method of Claim 37, wherein the emulsion comprises polysorbate 80 in an amount of about 1.0% by weight.
- 44. (New) The method of Claim 37, wherein the emulsion comprises Pemulen in an amount of about 0.05% by weight.

- 45. (New) The method of Claim 37, wherein the emulsion further comprises glycerine in an amount of about 2.2% by weight and a buffer.
- 46. (New) The method of Claim 45, wherein the buffer is sodium hydroxide.
- 47. (New) The method of Claim 37, wherein, when the emulsion 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 cyclosporin A.
- 48. (New) The method of Claim 42, wherein the emulsion has a pH in the range of about 7.2 to about 7.6.
- 49. (New) The method of Claim 37, wherein the 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 method of Claim 37, wherein the 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 method of Claim 37, wherein the 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 method of Claim 37, wherein the emulsion, when administered to the eye of a human, demonstrates a reduction in adverse events 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 method of Claim 52, wherein the adverse events include side effects.

54. (New) A method of reducing side effects in a human suffering from dry eye syndrome, the method comprising the step of topically administering to the eye of the human an emulsion at a frequency of twice a day, wherein the emulsion comprises:

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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.
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- 55. (New) The method of Claim 54, wherein the buffer is sodium hydroxide.
- 56. (New) The method of Claim 54, wherein the tonicity component or the demulcent component is glycerine.
- 57. (New) The method of Claim 54, wherein, when the emulsion is administered to the 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 A.
- 58. (New) The method of Claim 54, wherein the emulsion has a pH in the range of about 7.2 to about 7.6.
- 59. (New) The method of Claim 54, wherein the emulsion is effective in treating dry eye disease.
- 60. (New) A method of treating dry eye disease, the method comprising the step of topically administering to an eye of a human an emulsion, the emulsion comprising:

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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;
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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 dry eye disease.

61. (New) The method of Claim 60, wherein the 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 10, lines 1-7, page 26, lines 5-19, and page 27, lines 4-31

of the application specification filed herewith. No new matter has been added.

The claims of the present application may vary in scope from the claims pursued in the

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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 USING CYCLOSPORIN COMPONENTS

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 entirety herein by reference.

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.

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 entirely 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, 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

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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 Ophthalmology, 2000 May, 107(5):967-74; and 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-inwater 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%

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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 Such methods provide substantial overall discovered. efficacy in providing desired therapeutic effects. 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 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 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

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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 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 therapeutic effectiveness facilitates the Additionally, and importantly, using reduced composition. 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 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 without are, limitation, dry eye syndrome,

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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.

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. cyclosporin component concentration of blood can be usina validated advantageously measured a 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 clyclosporin 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

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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,

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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.

Detailed Description

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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 The emulsion contains water, for example U.S. emulsion. pure water, a hydrophobic component and a cyclosporin 15 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 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.

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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 cyclosporincontaining emulsions. Also, the use of the present which include reduced compositions amounts the for cyclosporin components allow 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 syndrome, eye endophthalmitis, phacoanaphylactic 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

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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.

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 One very useful embodiment of the present herein. administering step provides no substantial detectable concentration of cyclosporin component in the blood of the human or animal. Cyclosporin component concentration in determined blood preferably is using 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 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

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Formula I

As used herein the term "derivatives" of a cyclosporing 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

Formula III

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Formula IV

wherein Me is methyl; Alk is 2-6C alkylene or 3-6C cycloalkylene; R is OH, COOH, alkoxycarbonyl, $-NR_1R_2$ or $N(R_3)-(CH_2)-NR_1R_2$; wherein R_1,R_2 is H, alkyl, 3-6C cycloalkyl, 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 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

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therapeutic effect.

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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

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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 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 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 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 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.

20 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 25 amphorteric 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 Preferably, the emulsifier component is compositions. 30 nonionic. Specific examples of suitable emulsifier components include, without limitation, polysorbate 80, polyoxyalkylene alkylene ethers, polyalkylene oxide ethers

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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 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 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:

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One particularly useful emulsion stabilizing component

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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/Cl0-30 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.

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

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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,

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

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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.

20 Very useful examples of preservative components in the present invention include, but are not limited to, chlorite Specific examples of chlorite components 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. grade (or USP grade) sodium chlorite is a very useful preservative component. The exact chemical composition of many chlorite components, for example, SCD. 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. 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

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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 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

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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. 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.

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 temperature.

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

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EXAMPLE 1

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

5		Composition I	Composition II
		wt%	wt %
	Cyclosporin A	0.1	0.05
	Castor Oil	1.25	1.25
	Polysorbate 80	1.00	1.00
10	Premulen®	0.05	0.05
	Glycerine	2.20	2.20
	Sodium hydroxide	qs	qs
	Purified Water	qs	qs
	рН	7.2-7.6	7.2-7.6
15	Weight Ratio of Cyclo A to Castor Oil	sporin 0.08	0.04

These compositions are employed in a Phase 3, double-20 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

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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 ricincleic 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 15 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, 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.q., side effects, drug like, relative to interactions and the 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:

 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.

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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.

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- 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 10 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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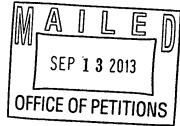
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Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Applicants' representative contacted Examiner to request an inperson interview to discuss the case and also indicated that Applicants would be willing to amend the trademark Pemulen in the claims for acrylate/C10-30 alkyl acrylate cross-polymer (see attachment). This potential amendment was not deemed sufficient to make the claims allowable. During the in-person interview on 10/3/2013 the following attendees were present: Laura Wine, Debra Condino, Dr. Rhett Schiffman, Dr. Maysa Attar, and Examiner Cordero Garcia. Applicant's representatives described the backroung of dry eye disease, the process of arriving at the claimed invention and discussed: a) unexpected results, b) commercial success and c) long felt need. Further, the Ding et al. patent (US 5,474,979) was discussed with regards to its contents and relation to the claimed invention. With regards to the presented unexpected results, Examiner indicated that it would be necessary to include in a 37 CFR 1.32 declaration all the experimental conditions for the various clinical trials used in the 'unexpected results' evidence, in order to determine whether these clinical trials can be effectively used in the comparison of therapeutic effects of the cyclosporin compositions of Ding et al. with the claimed invention. Examiner also indicated that a first Office Action on the merits would be provided shortly after the interview since the proposed amendment would not obviate all rejections deemed necessary (see attached Office Action) and also briefly discussed potential statutory and non-statutory double patenting issues for the instant application. A courtesy draft of the Office Action for a related case was provided to Applicant's representatives. .

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5)⊠ Claim(s) <u>37-61</u> is/are pending in the applica	ation.				
5a) Of the above claim(s) is/are without	drawn from consideration.				
6) Claim(s) is/are allowed.					
7)⊠ Claim(s) <u>37-61</u> is/are rejected.					
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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					
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DETAILED ACTION

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

Status of the claims

2. Claims 37-61 are pending in the application. Claims 37-61 are presented for examination on the merits.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 112(b):

(b) CONCLUSION.—The specification shall conclude with one or more claims particularly pointing out and distinctly claiming the subject matter which the inventor or a joint inventor regards as the invention.

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 112 (pre-AIA), second paragraph: The specification shall conclude with one or more claims particularly pointing out and distinctly claiming the subject matter which the applicant regards as his invention.

3. Claim 37, 54 and 60 (and dependent claims thereof, i.e., 38-53, 55-59 and 61) are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention for containing the trademark/trade name Pemulen ®. Where a trademark or trade name is used in a claim as a limitation to identify or describe a particular material or product, the claim does not comply with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph (see MPEP 2173.05 (u)). The claim scope is uncertain since the trademark or trade name cannot be used properly to identify any particular material or product. A trademark or trade name is used to identify a source of goods, and not the goods themselves. Thus, a trademark or trade name does not identify or describe the

goods associated with the trademark or trade name. In the present case, the trademark/trade name is used to identify/describe 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 (see paragraph bridging pages 19-20 of the disclosure) and, accordingly, the identification/description is indefinite.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

- 4. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:
 - (a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negatived by the manner in which the invention was made.
- 5. Claims 37-61 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Ding et al. (US 5,474,979, cited in the IDS dated 12/27/2004).

Ding et al. disclose topical ophthalmic emulsions for treating an eye of human having KCS (dry eye disease), and a method comprising topically administering to the eye the human emulsion (see next page):

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	Example 1				
	A	B	c	D	E
Cyclosperin A	0.40%	0.20%	0.20%	0.10%	0.05%
Castor oil	5.00%	5.00%	2,50%	1.25%	0.625%
Polysorbate 80	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%
Pemulen ®	0.05%	0.05%	0.05%	0.05%	0.05%
Glycerine	2.20%	2.20%	2.20%	2.20%	2.20%
NaOH	ជន្	Q5	QS	Qs	qs.
Purified water	qs	Q3	Q3	Q3	gs
pН	7.2-7.6	7.2-7.5	7.2-7.6	7.2-7.6	7.2-7.6

Thus, a comparison of the instantly claimed and some of the Ding et al. embodiments is presented below:

	DING et al. 1-D	instant invention	DING et al. 1-E
Cyclosporin	0.10%	0.05%	0.05%
Castor oil	1.25%	1.25%	0.625%
Polysorbate 80	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%
Pemulen	0.05%	0.05%	0.05%
Glycerine	2.20%	2.20%	2.20%
NaOH	qs	qs	qs
Purified water	qs	qs	qs
рН	7.2-7.6	7.2-7.6	7.2-7.6

Furthermore, the claims of Ding et al. disclose ranges for the components (e.g., claims 1-8). For example, Ding et al. discloses a pharmaceutical emulsion comprising

cyclosporin A, castor oil, Pemulen, glycerine, polysorbate 80, water in amounts sufficient to prevent crystallization of cyclosporin A for a period of up to about nine months, said pharmaceutical emulsion being suitable for topical application to ocular tissue, wherein the cyclosporin A is present in an amount between about 0.05 to and about 0.40%, by weight, the castor oil is present in an amount of between about 0.625%, by weight, and about 5.0%, by weight, the polysorbate 80 is present in an amount of about 1.0%, by weight, the Pemulen is present in an amount of about 0.05%, by weight, and the glycerine is present in an amount of about 2.2%, by weight (e.g., claims 7-8).

The formulations set forth in Examples 1-4 were made for treatment of keratoconjunctivitis sicca (dry eye) syndrome with Examples 2, 3 and 4 without the active ingredient cyclosporin utilized to determine the toxicity of the emulsified components.

Ding et al. teach that the formulations in Examples 1-4 were applied to rabbit eyes eight times a day for seven days and were found to cause only slight to mild discomfort and slight hyperemia in the rabbit eyes. Slit lamp examination revealed no changes in the surface tissue. In addition, the cyclosporin containing castor oil emulsion, as hereinabove set forth in Examples 1A-1D, was also tested for ocular bioavailability in rabbits; and the therapeutic level of cyclosporin was found in the tissues of interest after dosage. Ding et al. go on to teach that this substantiates that cyclosporin in an ophthalmic delivery system is useful for treating dry eye.

One of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made would have been motivated to modify the invention of Ding et al., e.g., Example 1E, by making any composition (and method thereof) encompassed by the ranges disclosed in Ding et al. One of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made would have been motivated to do so given the guidance provided by Ding et al., i.e., the amount of castor oil in the emulsions is taught to be cyclosporin to castor oil is between 0.12 and 0.02, which, for 0.05% corresponds to 0.4% to 2.5% of castor oil (which encompasses 1.25%). See, e.g., col. 3. One of ordinary skill in the art, at the time the invention was made, would have had a reasonable expectation of success for doing so because 1.25% was known to be non-irritating as shown in Example 1D, because such modifications are routinely determined and optimized in the art through routine experimentation [see MPEP 2144.05 (I) regarding optimization of ranges] and because the active ingredients, cyclosporin A and castor oil were present at overlapping concentrations between the instant invention and the invention of Ding et al. [see MPEP 2144.05 (I) regarding overlapping ranges]. Moreover, differences in concentration or temperature will not support the patentability of subject matter encompassed by the prior art unless there is evidence indicating such concentration or temperature is critical [see MPEP 2144.05 (II)]. Furthermore, to establish unexpected results over a claimed range, applicants should compare a sufficient number of tests both inside and outside the claimed range to show the criticality of the claimed range (MPEP 716.02). Furthermore, one of ordinary skill in the art would have been motivated to determine adequate daily frequency of administration in order to find suitable administration

regimes (e.g., twice a day.), one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made would have had reasonable expectation of success given that the 0.1% containing cyclosporin emulsion was effective in treating KCS (see Examples).

Claim scope is not limited by claim language that suggests or makes optional but does not require steps to be performed, or by claim language that does not limit a claim to a particular structure. However, examples of claim language, although not exhaustive, that may raise a question as to the limiting effect of the language in a claim are:

- (A) "adapted to" or "adapted for" clauses;
- (B) "wherein" clauses; and
- (C) "whereby" clauses.

The determination of whether each of these clauses is a limitation in a claim depends on the specific facts of the case. In the instant case, the limitations ", [..] the blood of the human has substantially no detectable concentration of cyclosporin A", "wherein the 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 compare to an emulsion that contains only 50% as much castor oil", "wherein the ophthalmic emulsion, when administered to the eye of a human, demonstrates a reduction in adverse events in the human", "wherein the adverse events include side effects" and "wherein the emulsion is effective in increasing tear production in the human having KCS", it is noted that such functional effects would necessarily flow

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from the compositions of Ding et al. and methods thereof which comprise administration of all the claimed components and amounts in the claimed method, as set forth above.

From the teaching of the reference, it is apparent that one of ordinary skill in the art would have had a reasonable expectation of success in producing the claimed invention. Therefore, the invention as a whole was prima facie obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made, as evidenced by the references, especially in the absence of evidence to the contrary.

Double Patenting

6. The nonstatutory double patenting rejection is based on a judicially created doctrine grounded in public policy (a policy reflected in the statute) so as to prevent the unjustified or improper timewise extension of the "right to exclude" granted by a patent and to prevent possible harassment by multiple assignees. A nonstatutory double patenting rejection is appropriate where the claims at issue are not identical, but at least one examined application claim is not patentably distinct from the reference claim(s) because the examined application claim is either anticipated by, or would have been obvious over, the reference claim(s). See, e.g., *In re Berg*, 140 F.3d 1428, 46 USPQ2d 1226 (Fed. Cir. 1998); *In re Goodman*, 11 F.3d 1046, 29 USPQ2d 2010 (Fed. Cir. 1993); *In re Longi*, 759 F.2d 887, 225 USPQ 645 (Fed. Cir. 1985); *In re Van Ornum*, 686 F.2d 937, 214 USPQ 761 (CCPA 1982); *In re Vogel*, 422 F.2d 438, 164 USPQ 619 (CCPA 1970); and *In re Thorington*, 418 F.2d 528, 163 USPQ 644 (CCPA 1969).

A timely filed terminal disclaimer in compliance with 37 CFR 1.321(c) or 1.321(d) may be used to overcome an actual or provisional rejection based on a nonstatutory

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double patenting ground provided the reference application or patent either is shown to be commonly owned with this application, or claims an invention made as a result of activities undertaken within the scope of a joint research agreement. A terminal disclaimer must be signed in compliance with 37 CFR 1.321(b).

The USPTO internet Web site contains terminal disclaimer forms which may be used. Please visit http://www.uspto.gov/forms/. The filing date of the application will determine what form should be used. A web-based eTerminal Disclaimer may be filled out completely online using web-screens. An eTerminal Disclaimer that meets all requirements is auto-processed and approved immediately upon submission. For more information about eTerminal Disclaimers, refer to http://www.uspto.gov/patents/process/file/efs/guidance/eTD-info-I.jsp.

7. Claims 37-61 are rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-8 of U.S. Patent No. 5,474,979. Although the conflicting claims are not identical, they are not patentably distinct from each other because Ding et al. (US 5,474,979) claims pharmaceutical emulsions comprising of cyclosporine A, castor oil, Pemulen ® (crosslinked polyacrylate stabilizer), glycerine and water as instantly claimed (see claims 6-8 of Ding et al.) for topical application comprising to ocular tissue wherein the cyclosporine A is presents in an amount of between about 0.05 to and about 0.40% by weight (which encompasses about 0.05% cyclosporin A), castor oil from about 0.625% to about 5.0% (which encompasses 1.25% of castor oil), Pemulen ® at about 0.05%, and glycerin at about 2.2%. (see, e.g., claim 8). Additionally, a different emulsifier, i.e., polysorbate 80, is

taught at about 1.0% (see also claim 8). The emulsion contains water as set forth in claims 6-8 of Ding et al. The specification of Ding et al. was used as dictionary and it was determined that the compositions were used to treat dry eye (KCS) and that the compositions encompassed Examples 1A-E, wherein 1E comprises all the components and ranges instantly claimed except for the castor oil, which is encompassed by the claimed ranges to cyclosporin to castor oil.

One of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made would have been motivated to modify the invention of Ding et al. by making any compositions encompassed by the ranges taught by Ding et al. One of ordinary skill in the art would have been motivated to do so in order to create nonirritating emulsions of cyclosporin suitable for topical application to ocular tissue. One of ordinary skill in the art, at the time the invention was made, would have had a reasonable expectation of success for doing so because such modifications are routinely determined and optimized in the art through routine experimentation [see MPEP 2144.05 (I) regarding optimization of ranges] and because the active ingredients, cyclosporin A and castor oil were present at overlapping concentrations between the instant invention and the invention of Ding et al. [see MPEP 2144.05 (I) regarding overlapping ranges]. Moreover, differences in concentration or temperature will not support the patentability of subject matter encompassed by the prior art unless there is evidence indicating such concentration or temperature is critical [see MPEP 2144.05 (II)]. Furthermore, to establish unexpected results over a claimed range, applicants should compare a sufficient number of tests both inside and outside the claimed range to show the criticality of the claimed range

(MPEP 716.02). Furthermore, one of ordinary skill in the art would have been motivated to determine adequate daily frequency of administration (e.g., once, twice, thrice, etc.) in order to find suitable administration regimes, one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made would have had reasonable expectation of success given that the 0.1% containing cyclosporin emulsion was effective in treating KCS (see Examples).

Claim scope is not limited by claim language that suggests or makes optional but does not require steps to be performed, or by claim language that does not limit a claim to a particular structure. However, examples of claim language, although not exhaustive, that may raise a question as to the limiting effect of the language in a claim are:

- (A) "adapted to" or "adapted for" clauses;
- (B) "wherein" clauses; and
- (C) "whereby" clauses.

The determination of whether each of these clauses is a limitation in a claim depends on the specific facts of the case. In the instant case, the limitations "wherein the topical ophthalmic emulsion is therapeutically effective in treating KCS", "wherein, when the topical ophthalmic emulsion is administered to an eye of a human, [..] the blood of the human has substantially no detectable concentration of cyclosporin A", "wherein the 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 compare to an emulsion that contains only 50% as much castor oil", "wherein the ophthalmic emulsion, when administered to the eye of a human,

demonstrates a reduction in adverse events in the human", "wherein the adverse events include side effects" and "wherein the emulsion is effective in increasing tear production in the human having KCS"; it is noted that such functional effects would necessarily flow from the compositions and methods claimed and exemplified by Ding et al. which comprise all the claimed components, amounts and methods as set forth above.

From the teaching of the reference, it is apparent that one of ordinary skill in the art would have had a reasonable expectation of success in producing the claimed invention. Therefore, the invention as a whole was prima facie obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made, as evidenced by the references, especially in the absence of evidence to the contrary.

8. Claims 37-61 are provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 37-60 of copending Application No. 13/961,168. Although the claims at issue are not identical, they are not patentably distinct from each other because US '168 is drawn to a method which encompasses a method comprising topically administering to the eye of the human in need thereof an emulsion at a frequency of twice a day, wherein the 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.

The other claims in US '168 are also drawn to the corresponding methods.

This is a provisional nonstatutory double patenting rejection because the patentably indistinct claims have not in fact been patented.

9. Claims 37-61 are provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 37-60 of copending Application No. 13/961,835. Although the claims at issue are not identical, they are not patentably distinct from each other because US '835 is drawn to a method comprising topically administering to the eye of the human an emulsion at a frequency of twice a day, wherein the 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.

The other claims in US '835 are also drawn to the corresponding methods.

This is a provisional nonstatutory double patenting rejection because the patentably indistinct claims have not in fact been patented.

10. Claims 37-61 are provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 37-61 of copending Application No. 13/967,163. Although the claims at issue are not identical, they are not patentably distinct from each other because US' 163 is drawn to an emulsion comprising 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 effective in treating dry eye disease. Thus, it inherently discloses a method of treating dry eye disease/increasing tear production (claim 37 of the instant application). The other claims in US '163 are also inherently drawn to the corresponding claimed methods. Moreover, differences in concentration or temperature will not support the patentability of subject matter encompassed by the prior art unless there is evidence indicating such concentration or temperature is critical [see MPEP 2144.05 (II)].

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Furthermore, to establish unexpected results over a claimed range, applicants should compare a sufficient number of tests both inside and outside the claimed range to show the criticality of the claimed range (MPEP 716.02).

This is a provisional nonstatutory double patenting rejection because the patentably indistinct claims have not in fact been patented.

11. Claims 37-61 are provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 37-61 of copending Application No. 13/961,828. Although the claims at issue are not identical, they are not patentably distinct from each other because US' 828 is drawn to an emulsion comprising 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 effective in treating dry eye disease. Thus, it inherently discloses a method of treating dry eye disease/increasing tear production (claim 37 of the instant application). The other claims in US '828 are also inherently drawn to the corresponding claimed methods. Moreover, differences in concentration or temperature will not support the patentability of subject matter encompassed by the prior art unless there is evidence indicating such concentration or temperature is <u>critical</u> [see MPEP 2144.05 (II)]. Furthermore, to establish unexpected results over a claimed range, applicants should compare a sufficient number of tests both inside and outside the claimed range to show the criticality of the claimed range (MPEP 716.02).

This is a provisional nonstatutory double patenting rejection because the patentably indistinct claims have not in fact been patented.

12. Claims 37-61 are provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 37-60 of copending Application No. 13/967,189. Although the claims at issue are not identical, they are not patentably distinct from each other because US' 189 is drawn to an emulsion comprising 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 effective in treating dry eye disease/increasing tear production. Thus, it inherently discloses a method of treating dry eye disease (claim 37 of the instant application). The other claims in US '189 are also inherently drawn to the corresponding claimed methods. Moreover, differences in concentration or temperature will not support the patentability of subject matter encompassed by the prior art unless there is evidence indicating such concentration or temperature is critical [see MPEP 2144.05 (II)]. Furthermore, to establish unexpected results over a claimed range. applicants should compare a sufficient number of tests both inside and outside the claimed range to show the criticality of the claimed range (MPEP 716.02).

This is a provisional nonstatutory double patenting rejection because the patentably indistinct claims have not in fact been patented.

13. Claims 37-61 are provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 37-60 of copending Application No. 13/961,808. Although the claims at issue are not identical, they are not patentably distinct from each other because US' 808 is drawn to an emulsion comprising 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 effective in treating dry eye disease. Thus, it inherently discloses a method of treating dry eye disease/increasing tear production (claim 37 of the instant application). The other claims in US '808 are also inherently drawn to the corresponding claimed methods. Moreover, differences in concentration or temperature will not support the patentability of subject matter encompassed by the prior art unless there is evidence indicating such concentration or temperature is critical [see MPEP 2144.05 (II)].

Furthermore, to establish unexpected results over a claimed range, applicants should compare a sufficient number of tests both inside and outside the claimed range to show the criticality of the claimed range (MPEP 716.02).

This is a provisional nonstatutory double patenting rejection because the patentably indistinct claims have not in fact been patented.

Statutory double patenting

14. A rejection based on double patenting of the "same invention" type finds its support in the language of 35 U.S.C. 101 which states that "whoever invents or discovers any new and useful process... may obtain a patent therefor..." (Emphasis added). Thus, the term "same invention," in this context, means an invention drawn to identical subject matter. See *Miller v. Eagle Mfg. Co.*, 151 U.S. 186 (1894); *In re Vogel*, 422 F.2d 438, 164 USPQ 619 (CCPA 1970); and *In re Ockert*, 245 F.2d 467, 114 USPQ 330 (CCPA 1957).

A statutory type (35 U.S.C. 101) double patenting rejection can be overcome by canceling or amending the claims that are directed to the same invention so they are no

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longer coextensive in scope. The filing of a terminal disclaimer <u>cannot</u> overcome a double patenting rejection based upon 35 U.S.C. 101.

15. Claims 37-61 are provisionally rejected under 35 U.S.C. 101 as claiming the same invention as that of claims 37-61 of copending Application No. 13/961,818. The claims are identical too each other, i.e., claim 37 in both applications are drawn to method of increasing tear production in the eye of a human, the method comprising topically administering to the eye of the human in need thereof an emulsion at a frequency of twice a day, wherein the 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 effective in increasing tear production. The other claims in US '818 are identical to the corresponding claims in the instant invention.

This is a <u>provisional</u> statutory double patenting rejection since the claims directed to the same invention have not in fact been patented.

Conclusion

16. No claim is currently allowed.

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

17. 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.

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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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Claim(s) discussed: <u>37 and 60</u> .				
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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: Applicants' representative contacted Examiner to request an inperson interview to discuss the case and also indicated that Applicants would be willing to amend the trademark Pemulen in the claims for acrylate/C10-30 alkyl acrylate cross-polymer (see attachment). This potential amendment was not deemed sufficient to make the claims allowable. During the in-person interview on 10/3/2013 the following attendees were present: Laura Wine, Debra Condino, Dr. Rhett Schiffman, Dr. Maysa Attar, and Examiner Cordero Garcia. Applicant's representatives described the backroung of dry eye disease, the process of arriving at the claimed invention and discussed: a) unexpected results, b) commercial success and c) long felt need. Further, the Ding et al. patent (US 5,474,979) was discussed with regards to its contents and relation to the claimed invention. With regards to the presented unexpected results, Examiner indicated that it would be necessary to include in a 37 CFR 1.32 declaration all the experimental conditions for the various clinical trials used in the 'unexpected results' evidence, in order to determine whether these clinical trials can be effectively used in the comparison of therapeutic effects of the cyclosporin compositions of Ding et al. with the claimed invention. Examiner also indicated that a first Office Action on the merits would be provided shortly after the interview since the proposed amendment would not obviate all rejections deemed necessary (see attached Office Action) and also briefly discussed potential statutory and non-statutory double patenting issues for the instant application. A courtesy draft of the Office Action for a related case was provided to Applicant's representatives. .

Interview Agenda

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- Introduction
- Discussion of Claimed Subject Matter
 - o Background on Dry Eye Disease
 - o The Development and Innovation of the Claimed Formulation
- Presentation of Objective Evidence of Non-Obviousness
 - Unexpected Results
 - Commercial Success
 - Long Felt Need/Failure of Others
- Brief Discussion of Prior Art
 - Ding (U.S. Patent No. 5,474,979)
- Discussion of Clarifying Amendments

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self-nanoemulsifying formulation.

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TITLE: Topical oil-in-water emulsion compositions for

enhancing nail health comprising immunomodulator such

as cyclosporine

INVENTOR(S): Walt, John G.

PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Allergan, Inc., USA SOURCE: PCT Int. Appl., 115pp.

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INVENTOR(S):
                           Chang, James N.; Olejnik, Orest; Firestone, Bruce A.
PATENT ASSIGNEE(S):
                         Allergan, Inc., USA
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ASSIGNMENT HISTORY FOR US PATENT AVAILABLE IN LSUS DISPLAY FORMAT

AB Cyclosporin A compns. are disclosed herein comprising an oil and a surfactant. These are useful in the treatment of dry eye disease. Thus, composition was prepared containing cyclosporin A 0.1, castor oil 1, clove oil

0.7, polysorbate-80 1, diglycerol 0.7, glycerin 2, CM-cellulose 0.5 and water as needed.

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L1 ANSWER 8 OF 12 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 Dustri-Verlag Dr. Karl Feistle

PUBLISHER: Dustri-Verl
DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal

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 q 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, $AUC0-\infty$ 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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L1 ANSWER 9 OF 12 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2013 ACS on STN

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:494420 CAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 133:198474

TITLE: Effect of Polyoxyl 35 castor oil and Polysorbate 80 on

the intestinal absorption of digoxin in vitro

AUTHOR(S): Cornaire, Gilles; Woodley, John F.; Saivin, Sylvie;

Legendre, Jean-Yves; Decourt, Sylvie; Cloarec, Alix;

Houin, Georges

CORPORATE SOURCE: Laboratoire de Cinetique des Xenobiotiques, Faculte

des Sciences Pharmaceutiques, Toulouse, Fr.

SOURCE: Arzneimittel-Forschung (2000), 50(6), 576-579

CODEN: ARZNAD; ISSN: 0004-4172

PUBLISHER: Editio Cantor Verlag

DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal LANGUAGE: English

AB Surfactants are classically used to improve the solubilization of lipophilic drugs such as digoxin. Polysorbate 80 and Cremophor EL (Polyoxyl 35 castor oil) are such surfactants but they may also modulate the action of P-glycoprotein, an energy-dependent "counter-transport" system implicated in the phenomenon of multidrug resistance in cancer cells. P-glycoprotein is also present in the intestine on the apical membrane of mature enterocytes and can potentially reduce the absorption of a wide range of drugs. In this study, using the improved everted gut sac method, the effects of Polysorbate 80, Cremophor EL and cyclosporin on the absorption of digoxin were studied. An increase in the uptake of digoxin in the presence of these 3 products was shown. Cremophor EL and Polysorbate 80 had no toxic effects at the concns. used. Surfactants such as Cremophor EL and Polysorbate 80 should not only support solubilization but can also modulate the P-glycoprotein system to improve the bioavailability of poorly absorbed drugs.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1996:38846 CAPLUS

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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ASSIGNMENT HISTORY FOR US PATENT AVAILABLE IN LSUS DISPLAY FORMAT

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: 1993:588539 CAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 119:188539

ORIGINAL REFERENCE NO.: 119:33511a,33514a

TITLE: Leaching of diethylhexyl phthalate from polyvinyl chloride containers by selected drugs and formulation

components

AUTHOR(S): Pearson, Stephen D.; Trissel, Lawrence A. CORPORATE SOURCE: Houston Biotechnol., Inc., Woodlands, TX, USA

SOURCE: American Journal of Hospital Pharmacy (1993), 50(7),

1405-9

CODEN: AJHPA9; ISSN: 0002-9289

DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal LANGUAGE: English

AB Diethylhexyl phthalate (DEHP) was leached from polyvinyl chloride

containers by polysorbate 80, poloxyethylated castor oil,

cyclosporine, miconazole, teniposide, chlordiazepoxide HCl, etoposide, and the vehicles used in the formulation of taxol and taxotere. DEHP was detectable immediately in some cases and increased in concentration over the

24-h

study period. Drugs that leach DEHP should be prepared in non-PVC

containers and administered through non-PVC tubing.

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L1 ANSWER 12 OF 12 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2013 ACS on STN

ACCESSION NUMBER: 1993:261059 CAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 118:261059

ORIGINAL REFERENCE NO.: 118:45259a,45262a

TITLE: Ophthalmic solutions containing cyclosporin and

surfactants

INVENTOR(S): Hata, Kunio; Murano, Masaru; Ueda, Shogo

PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Sankyo Co, Japan

SOURCE: Jpn. Kokai Tokkyo Koho, 4 pp.

CODEN: JKXXAF

DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent LANGUAGE: Japanese

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PATENT INFORMATION:

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Aqueous ophthalmic solns. contain cyclosporin (I) and surfactants chosen from polysorbate, polyoxyethylene hydrogenated castor oil, and polyoxyethylene fatty acid esters. The solns. show good stability and do not irritate the eyes. I 0.5, polyoxyethylene hydrogenated castor oil 20, ${\tt NaCl}$ 8 g, antiseptic, and ${\tt H2O}$ to 1000 mL were mixed to give an ophthalmic solution

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DRAFT CLAIM AMENDMENT

U.S. Patent Application No. 13/967,179 Attorney Ref: 17618CON5B (AP) FOR DISCUSSION PURPOSES ONLY

37. (**Currently Amended**) A method of treating dry eye disease, the method comprising topically administering to the eye of [[[the]] <u>a</u> human <u>in need thereof</u> an emulsion at a frequency of twice a day, wherein the emulsion comprises cyclosporin A in an amount of about 0.05% by weight, polysorbate 80, <u>Pemulen-acrylate/C10-30 alkyl acrylate cross-polymer</u>, water, and castor oil in an amount of about 1.25% by weight; and

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

60. (Currently Amended) A method of treating dry eye disease, the method comprising the step of topically administering to an eye of a human <u>in need thereof</u> an emulsion, the 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-acrylate/C10-30 alkyl acrylate cross-polymer 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 dry eye disease.

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For: METHODS OF PROVIDING THERAPEUTIC EFFECTS USING CYCLOSPORIN COMPONENTS

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RESPONSE TO NON FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED OCTOBER 11, 2013

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

These papers are filed in reply to the Office Action mailed October 11, 2013.

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., <u>insertions</u>) while deletions appear as strikethrough or surrounded by double brackets (e.g. deletions or [[deletions]]).

- 1-36. (Canceled)
- 37. (Currently Amended) A method of treating dry eye disease, the method comprising topically administering to the eye of the <u>a</u> human in need thereof an emulsion at a frequency of twice a day, wherein the emulsion comprises cyclosporin A in an amount of about 0.05% by weight, polysorbate 80, Pemulen <u>acrylate/C10-30 alkyl acrylate cross-polymer</u>, water, and castor oil in an amount of about 1.25% by weight; and wherein the topical ophthalmic emulsion is effective in treating dry eye disease.
- 38. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 37, wherein the emulsion further comprises a tonicity agent or a demulcent component.
- 39. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 38, wherein the tonicity agent or the demulcent component is glycerine.
- 40. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 37, wherein the emulsion further comprises a buffer.
- 41. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 40, wherein the buffer is sodium hydroxide.
- 42. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 37, wherein the topical ophthalmic emulsion further comprises glycerine and a buffer.

- 43. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 37, wherein the emulsion comprises polysorbate 80 in an amount of about 1.0% by weight.
- 44. (**Currently Amended**) The method of Claim 37, wherein the emulsion comprises Pemulen <u>acrylate/C10-30 alkyl acrylate cross-polymer</u> in an amount of about 0.05% by weight.
- 45. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 37, wherein the emulsion further comprises glycerine in an amount of about 2.2% by weight and a buffer.
- 46. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 45, wherein the buffer is sodium hydroxide.
- 47. (**Currently Amended**) The method of Claim 37, wherein, when the emulsion 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 cyclosporin A.
- 48. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 42, wherein the emulsion has a pH in the range of about 7.2 to about 7.6.
- 49. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 37, wherein the emulsion is as substantially therapeutically effective as a[[n]] second emulsion administered to a human in need thereof at a frequency of twice a day, the second emulsion comprising cyclosporin A in an amount of 0.1% by weight and castor oil in an amount of 1.25% by weight.
- 50. (**Currently Amended**) The method of Claim 37, wherein the emulsion achieves at least as much therapeutic effectiveness as a[[n]] second emulsion administered to a human in need thereof a frequency of twice a day, the second emulsion comprising

cyclosporin A in an amount of 0.1% by weight and castor oil in an amount of 1.25% by weight.

- 51. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 37, wherein the 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 a[[n]] second emulsion that contains only 50% as much castor oil.
- 52. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 37, wherein the emulsion, when administered to the eye of a human, demonstrates a reduction in adverse events in the human, relative to a[[n]] second emulsion administered to a human in need thereof a frequency of twice a day, the second emulsion comprising cyclosporin A in an amount of 0.1% by weight and castor oil in an amount of 1.25% by weight.
- 53. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 52, wherein the adverse events include are side effects.
- 54. (Currently Amended) A method of reducing side effects in a human suffering from being treated for dry eye syndrome, the method comprising the step of topically administering to the eye of the human in need thereof an emulsion at a frequency of twice a day, wherein the 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;

polysoloate 80 iii ali amount of about 1.0% by weight,

Pemulen <u>acrylate/C10-30 alkyl acrylate cross-polymer</u> 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;

wherein the topical ophthalmic emulsion has a pH in the range of about 7.2 to about 7.6.

- 55. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 54, wherein the buffer is sodium hydroxide.
- 56. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 54, wherein the tonicity component or the demulcent component is glycerine.
- 57. (**Currently Amended**) The method of Claim 54, wherein, when the emulsion is administered to the eye of a human in an effective amount in for treating dry eye syndrome, the blood of the human has substantially no detectable concentration of the cyclosporin A.
- 58. (Canceled)
- 59. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 54, wherein the emulsion is effective in treating dry eye disease.
- 60. (**Currently Amended**) A method of treating dry eye disease, the method comprising the step of topically administering to an eye of a human <u>in need thereof</u> an emulsion <u>at a frequency of twice a day</u>, the 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 acrylate/C10-30 alkyl acrylate cross-polymer 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 dry eye disease.

61. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 60, wherein the emulsion has a pH in the range of about 7.2 to about 7.6.

SUMMARY OF INTERVIEW

Attendees, Date and Type of Interview

An in-person interview was conducted on October 3, 2013 at the USPTO and was attended by Examiner Cordero Garcia, Laura L. Wine, Dr. Rhett Schiffman, Dr. Mayssa Attar, and Debra Condino.

Exhibits and/or Demonstrations

Data demonstrating unexpected results and commercial success of the claimed method were presented. Data and information regarding the claimed method's satisfaction of a long felt need were also presented.

Identification of Claims Discussed

The Claims were discussed, focusing on Claims 37 and 54.

Identification of Prior Art Discussed

The prior art of record was discussed, focusing on Ding (U.S. Patent No. 5,474,979).

Proposed Amendments

It was proposed to amend Claims 54 to recite a range of pH in the claimed method.

Principal Arguments and Other Matters

The Applicants presented data demonstrating unexpected results, commercial success, and satisfaction of a long felt need of the claimed methods. While the Applicants do not acquiesce to any *prima facie* case of obviousness, the evidence of non-obviousness presented at the interview overcomes the *prima facie* obviousness rejection.

Results of Interview

It was agreed that the evidence of non-obviousness presented rendered the claims allowable and overcame the prior art of record. It was agreed that the Applicants would file a response, presenting data and arguments discussed at the interview.

REMARKS

This Reply responds to the Office Action sent October 11, 2013, in which the Office Action rejected Claims 37-61. Claim 58 is newly cancelled. Claims 37, 44, 47, 49-54, 57, and 60 have been amended. Thus, Claims 37-57 and 59-61 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.

Claim Rejections

35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph

Claims 37-61 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicants regard as the invention. The Applicants submit that the amendments to the claims submitted herewith render the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph moot. Thus, the Applicants respectfully request that the claim rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph be withdrawn.

35 U.S.C. 103(a)

The Office Action rejected Claims 37-61 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable as obvious in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,474,979 to Ding et al. ("Ding").

The Applicants submit that the *prima facie* case of obviousness has not been properly established against the pending claims. However, the Applicants submit that the unexpected results, commercial success, and satisfaction of long felt need obtained with the claimed methods and failure of others overcome the *prima facie* obviousness rejection asserted in the Office Action.

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 Methods Provide Surprising and Unexpected Results

As discussed in the interview with the Examiner, the claimed methods 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 methods 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 methods 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 methods demonstrated an <u>8-fold</u> increase in relative efficacy for the Schirmer Tear Test ("STT") 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 (\leq 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 methods also demonstrated a <u>4-fold</u> improvement in the relative efficacy for the Schirmer Tear Test score for the second study of Phase 3 and a <u>4-fold</u> 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.