

NDA 19508/S-030

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Lilly Research Laboratories
Attention: Gregory T. Brophy, Ph.D.
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Indianapolis, IN 46285

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Dear Dr. Brophy:

Please refer to your supplemental new drug application dated August 28, 2001, received August 30, 2001, submitted under section 505(b) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act for Axid (nizatidine) Capsules.

This supplemental new drug application provides for proposes the addition of text in a new "Geriatric Use" subsection under the PRECAUTION section of the package insert.

We have completed the review of this supplemental application and have concluded that adequate information has been presented to demonstrate that the drug product is safe and effective for use as recommended in the agreed upon labeling text and with the minor editorial revisions listed below. Accordingly, the supplemental application is approved effective on the date of this letter.

"Geriatric Use:

Of the 955 patients in clinical studies who were treated with nizatidine, 337 (35.3%) were 65 and older. No overall differences in safety or effectiveness were observed between these and younger subjects. Other reported clinical experience has not identified differences in responses between the elderly and younger patients, but greater sensitivity of some older individuals cannot be ruled out.

This drug is known to be substantially excreted by the kidney, and the risk of toxic reactions to this drug may be greater in patients with impaired renal function. Because elderly patients are more likely to have decreased renal function, care should be taken in dose selection, and it may be useful to monitor renal function (see Dosage and Administration)"

The final printed labeling (FPL) must be identical, and include the minor editorial revisions indicated, to the submitted draft labeling (package insert submitted August 28, 2001). These

revisions are terms of the approval of this application.

Please submit the copies of final printed labeling (FPL) electronically according to the guidance for industry titled *Providing Regulatory Submissions in Electronic Format - NDA* (January 1999). Alternatively, you may submit 20 paper copies of the FPL as soon as it is available but no more than 30 days after it is printed. Please individually mount ten of the copies on heavy-weight paper or similar material. For administrative purposes, this submission should be designated "FPL for approved supplement NDA 19508/S-030." Approval of this submission by FDA is not required before the labeling is used.

If a letter communicating important information about this drug product (i.e., a "Dear Health Care Professional" letter) is issued to physicians and others responsible for patient care, we request that you submit a copy of the letter to this NDA and a copy to the following address:

MEDWATCH, HF-2
FDA
5600 Fishers Lane
Rockville, MD 20857

We remind you that you must comply with the requirements for an approved NDA set forth under 21 CFR 314.80 and 314.81.

If you have any questions, call Paul E. Levine, Jr., R.Ph., Regulatory Health Project Manager, at (301) 827-7310.

Sincerely,

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