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Primary Eye Irritation Study in Rabbits

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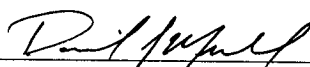
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GOOD LABORATORY PRACTICE COMPLIANCE STATEMENT

Citrex

This study meets the requirements of 40 CFR Part 160: U.S. EPA (FIFRA) with the following exception: Specific information related to the stability, characterization, identity and verification of the test substance concentration as received and tested is the responsibility of the study Sponsor (see Test Substance section).

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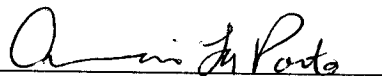
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QUALITY ASSURANCE STATEMENT

The Product Safety Laboratories' Quality Assurance Unit reviewed this study for adherence to PSL's Standard Operating Procedures, the study protocol, and all applicable GLP standards. This final report was found to be an accurate representation of the work conducted. Records of QA findings are kept on file. The summary below provides verification of statements made in the final report section that addresses Quality Assurance audits.

QA activities for this study:

QA Activity	Date Conducted	Date Findings Reported To Study Director And Management
Protocol review	2/19/04 ¹ , 3/28/05	2/19/04, 3/28/05
In-process inspection: 72 hour scoring	2/17/05	3/28/05
Raw data audit	3/28/05	3/28/05
Draft report review	3/28/05	3/28/05
Final report review	6/13/05	6/13/05



Annamarie LaPorte
 Quality Assurance Auditor
 Product Safety Laboratories

¹ PSL's "generic" protocol used for this study was reviewed by the Quality Assurance group on this date.

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PRIMARY EYE IRRITATION STUDY IN RABBITS

PROTOCOL NO.: P324

AGENCY: EPA (FIFRA)

STUDY NUMBER: 16825

SPONSOR: CITREX INC.
1394 Coral Way
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TEST SUBSTANCE IDENTIFICATION: Citrex (see Section 8, Amendment #1)
Lot #1742

TEST SUBSTANCE DESCRIPTION: Yellow liquid with a slight citric odor

DATE RECEIVED: December 16, 2004

PSL REFERENCE NO.: 041216-2D

STUDY INITIATION DATE: January 20, 2005

DATES OF TEST: February 14 - 17, 2005

NOTEBOOK NO.: 04-114: pages 112-112B, 113-126

1. PURPOSE

To provide information on the irritation likely to arise from a single instillation of Citrex into the eye.

2. SUMMARY

A primary eye irritation test was conducted with rabbits to determine the potential for Citrex to produce irritation from a single instillation via the ocular route. Under the conditions of this study, the test substance is classified as minimally irritating to the eye.

One-tenth of a milliliter of the test substance was instilled into the right eye of three healthy rabbits. The left eye remained untreated and served as a control. Ocular irritation was evaluated by the method of Draize *et al.*¹ (see Table 2).

¹ Draize, J.H., Woodward, G. and Calvery, H.O. Methods for the study of irritation and toxicity of substances applied topically to the skin and mucous membranes. *J. Pharmacol. Exp. Ther.* 1944; 82:377-390.

There was no corneal opacity or iritis observed in any treated eye during the study. One hour after test substance instillation, all three treated eyes exhibited conjunctivitis. The overall incidence and severity of irritation decreased with time. All animals were free of ocular irritation within 48 hours.

The incidence, severity and reversibility of irritation are detailed below:

Time Post Instillation	Incidence of Irritation		
	Corneal Opacity	Iritis	Conjunctivitis
1 hour	0/3	0/3	3/3
24 hours	0/3	0/3	3/3
48 hours	0/3	0/3	0/3
72 hours	0/3	0/3	0/3

Time Post Instillation	Severity of Irritation – Mean Score
1 hour	8.0
24 hours	2.0
48 hours	0
72 hours	0

3. MATERIALS

A. Test Substance

The test substance, identified as Citrex, Lot #1742, was received on December 16, 2004 and was further identified with PSL Reference Number 041216-2D. The test substance was a yellow liquid with a slight citric odor and was stored at room temperature. The sample was instilled as received. Documentation of the methods of synthesis, fabrication, or derivation of the test substance is retained at Siatag, Barcelona, Spain.

The following information related to the characterization of the test substance was provided by the Sponsor:

Composition (see Section 8, Amendment #2): Ascorbic Acid - 0.017803% (active ingredient)
Citric Acid – 0.03%
Lactic Acid – 0.04%
Sodium Chloride – 0.01%
Ammonium Propionate – 0.01%
Vegetable Glycerin – 0.88%

pH: 2.84 (tap water).

Solubility: Soluble in water.

Stability: Test substance was expected to be stable for the duration of testing.

Expiration Date: Not applicable.

B. Animals

- 3.B.1 Number of Animals: 3
- 3.B.2 Sex: 2 Males and 1 Female. The female assigned to test was nulliparous and non-pregnant.
- 3.B.3 Species/Strain: Rabbit/New Zealand albino.
- 3.B.4 Age: Young adult.
- 3.B.5 Source: Received from Robinson Services, Inc. Clemmons, NC on February 2, 2005.

4. METHODS

A. Husbandry

- 4.A.1 Housing: The animals were singly housed in suspended stainless steel caging with mesh floors which conform to the size recommendations in the most recent *Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals DHEW (NIH)*. Litter paper was placed beneath the cage and was changed at least three times per week.
- 4.A.2 Animal Room Temperature Range: 20-22°C
- 4.A.3 Photoperiod: 12-hour light/dark cycle
- 4.A.4 Acclimation Period: 12 days
- 4.A.5 Food: Pelleted Purina Rabbit Chow #5326
- 4.A.6 Water: Filtered tap water was supplied *ad-libitum* by an automatic water dispensing system.
- 4.A.7 Contaminants: There were no known contaminants reasonably expected to be found in the food or water at levels which would have interfered with the results of this study. Analyses of the food and water are conducted at least once a year and the records are kept on file at Product Safety Laboratories.

B. Identification

- 4.B.1 Cage: Each cage was identified with a cage card indicating at least the study number and identification and sex of the animal.
- 4.B.2 Animal: A number was allocated to each rabbit on receipt and a stainless steel ear tag bearing this number was attached to the animal. This number, together with a sequential animal number assigned to study 16825, constituted unique identification.

5. PROCEDURE

A. Preparation and Selection of Animals

Prior to instillation, both eyes of a number of animals were examined using a fluorescein dye procedure. One drop of 2% ophthalmic fluorescein sodium was instilled into both eyes of each rabbit. The eyes were rinsed with physiological saline (0.9% NaCl) approximately 30 seconds after instillation of the fluorescein. Using an ultraviolet light source, the eyes were checked for gross abnormalities according to the "Scale for Scoring Ocular Lesions" (see Table 2). Three healthy animals without pre-existing ocular irritation were selected for test.

B. Instillation

One-tenth of a milliliter of the test substance was instilled into the conjunctival sac of the right eye of each rabbit by pulling the lower lid away from the eyeball. The upper and lower lids were then gently held together for about one second before releasing to minimize loss of the test substance. The other eye of each rabbit remained untreated with the test substance and served as a control. The rabbits were then returned to their designated cages.

C. Ocular Scoring

Ocular irritation was evaluated using a high-intensity white light (Mag Lite) in accordance with Draize *et al.*¹ (see Table 2) at 1, 24, 48, and 72 hours post-instillation. The fluorescein dye evaluation procedure described in Section 5.A. was used at 24 hours to verify the absence of corneal damage. Individual scores were recorded for each animal. In addition to observations of the cornea, iris and conjunctivae, any other observed lesions were noted. The average score for all rabbits at each scoring period was calculated to aid in data interpretation.

D. Classification of Eye Scores

The time interval with the highest mean score (Maximum Mean Total Score - MMTS) for all rabbits was used to classify the test substance by the system of Kay and Calandra².

E. Cage-Side Observations

The animals were observed for signs of gross toxicity and behavioral changes at least once daily during the test period. Observations included gross evaluation of skin and fur, eyes and mucous membranes, respiratory, circulatory, autonomic and central nervous systems, somatomotor activity and behavior pattern. Particular attention was directed to observation of tremors, convulsions, salivation, diarrhea and coma.

¹ Draize, J.H., Woodward, G. and Calvery, H.O. Methods for the study of irritation and toxicity of substances applied topically to the skin and mucous membranes. *J. Pharmacol. Exp. Ther.* 1944; 82:377-390.

² Kay, J.H. and Calandra, J.C. Interpretation of eye irritation tests. *J. Soc. Cos. Chem.* 1962; 13:281-289.

6. STUDY CONDUCT

This study was conducted at Product Safety Laboratories, 2394 Highway 130, Dayton, New Jersey 08810. The primary technician for this study was Michelle DeCinque. This study was conducted to comply with the Good Laboratory Practice (GLP) regulations as defined in:

- 40 CFR 160: U.S. EPA GLP Standards: Pesticide Programs (FIFRA)

and in accordance with:

- U.S. EPA Health Effects Test Guidelines, OPPTS 870.2400 (1998)

7. QUALITY ASSURANCE

The final report was audited for agreement with the raw data records and for compliance with the protocol, Product Safety Laboratories Standard Operating Procedures and appropriate Good Laboratory Practice Standards. Dates of inspections and audits performed during the study and the dates of reporting of the inspection and audit findings to the Study Director and Facility Management are presented in the Quality Assurance Statement.

8. AMENDMENTS TO THE PROTOCOL

- 1) At the request of the Sponsor, the Product ID was changed to Citrex.
- 2) At the request of the Sponsor, the Composition section of the protocol was changed from

Active ingredient = Ascorbic acid 0.0017803%

to

Ascorbic Acid - 0.017803% (active ingredient)

Citric Acid – 0.03%

Lactic Acid – 0.04%

Sodium Chloride – 0.01%

Ammonium Propionate – 0.01%

Vegetable Glycerin – 0.88%

9. DEVIATIONS FROM FINAL PROTOCOL

None.

10. FINAL REPORT AND RECORDS TO BE MAINTAINED

The original, signed final report will be forwarded to the Sponsor. A copy of this signed report, together with the protocol and all raw data generated at Product Safety Laboratories, is maintained in the Product Safety Laboratories Archives. PSL will maintain these records for a period of at least five years. After this time, the Sponsor will be offered the opportunity to take possession of the records or will be charged an archiving fee for continued archiving by PSL.

11. RESULTS

Individual eye irritation scores are presented in Table 1. The Draize Scale for Scoring Eye Lesions is presented in Table 2. The Kay and Calandra scheme for classifying eye irritants is presented in Table 3.

All animals appeared active and healthy. Apart from the eye irritation noted below, there were no other signs of gross toxicity, adverse pharmacologic effects or abnormal behavior.

There was no corneal opacity or iritis observed in any treated eye during the study. One hour after test substance instillation, all three treated eyes exhibited conjunctivitis. The overall incidence and severity of irritation decreased with time. All animals were free of ocular irritation within 48 hours.

The Maximum Mean Total Score of Citrex is 8.0.


12. CONCLUSION

Under the conditions of this study, Citrex is classified as minimally irritating to the eye.

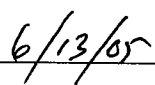
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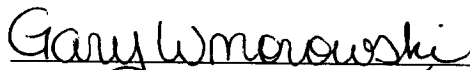
We, the undersigned, declare that the methods, results and data contained in this report faithfully reflect the procedures used and raw data collected during the study.




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Product Safety Laboratories



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Date

TABLE 1: INDIVIDUAL SCORES FOR OCULAR IRRITATION

	Rabbit No.: 13767 (Male)				Rabbit No.: 13768 (Female)				Rabbit No.: 13769 (Male)				
	Hours				Hours				Hours				
	1	24	48	72	1	24	48	72	1	24	48	72	
I. Cornea													
A. Opacity	0	0 ¹	0	0	0	0 ¹	0	0	0	0	0 ¹	0	0
B. Area	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
(AxB)x5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
II. Iris													
A. Values	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ax5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
III. Conjunctivae													
A. Redness	2	1	0	0	2	1	0	0	2	1	0	0	0
B. Chemosis	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
C. Discharge	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
(A+B+C)x2	8	2	0	0	8	2	0	0	8	2	0	0	0
Total	8	2	0	0	8	2	0	0	8	2	0	0	0

¹ 2% ophthalmic fluorescein sodium used to verify the absence of corneal opacity.

TABLE 2: SCALE FOR SCORING OCULAR LESIONS¹

1.	Cornea	
A.	Opacity-degree of density (area most dense taken for reading)	
	No Opacity	0
	Scattered or diffuse area, details of iris clearly visible	1 ²
	Easily discernible translucent areas, details of iris slightly obscured	2 ²
	Opalescent areas, no details of iris visible, size of pupil barely discernible	3 ²
	Opaque, iris invisible.....	4 ²
B.	Area of cornea involved	
	One quarter (or less) but not zero	1
	Greater than one quarter, but less than half	2
	Greater than half, but less than three quarters.....	3
	Greater than three quarters, up to whole area	4
	A X B X 5	Total Maximum = 80
2.	Iris	
A.	Values	
	Normal.....	0
	Folds above normal, congestion, swelling, circumcorneal injection (any or all of these or combination of any thereof) iris still reacting to light (sluggish reaction is positive)	1 ²
	No reaction to light, hemorrhage, gross destruction (any or all of these).....	2 ²
	A X 5	Total Maximum = 10
3.	Conjunctivae	
A.	Redness (refers to palpebral and bulbar conjunctivae excluding cornea and iris)	
	Vessels normal	0
	Vessels definitely injected above normal	1
	More diffuse, deeper crimson red, individual vessels not easily discernible	2 ²
	Diffuse beefy red	3 ²
B.	Chemosis	
	No swelling.....	0
	Any swelling above normal (includes nictitating membrane).....	1
	Obvious swelling with partial eversion of lids.....	2 ²
	Swelling with lids about half-closed.....	3 ²
	Swelling with lids about half-closed to completely closed	4 ²
C.	Discharge	
	No discharge.....	0
	Any amount different from normal (does not include small amounts observed in inner canthus of normal animals)	1
	Discharge with moistening of the lids and hairs just adjacent to lids	2
	Discharge with moistening of the lids and hairs, and considerable area around the eye.....	3
	Score (A + B + C) X 2	Total Maximum = 20

Total Maximum Score: 110 represents the sum of all scores obtained for the cornea, iris and conjunctivae.

¹ Draize, J.H., Woodward, G. and Calvery, H.O. Methods for the study of irritation and toxicity of substances applied topically to the skin and mucous membranes. J. Pharmacol. Exp. Ther. 1944; 82:377-390.

² These scores represent a positive response.

TABLE 3: CLASSIFICATION OF EYE IRRITATION SCORES

MMTS	Irritation Classification	Requirement For Maintenance of Classification ¹
0.0 - 0.5	non	Up to 0.5 at 1 hour with zeros at 24 hours; otherwise, increase one level
0.6 - 2.5	practically non	with zeros at 24 hours; otherwise, increase one level
2.6 - 15.0	minimally	with zeros at 48 hours; otherwise, increase one level
15.1 - 25.0	mildly	with zeros at 96 hours; otherwise, increase one level
25.1 - 50.0	moderately	with 7 day mean ≤ 20 and individual total scores ≤ 10 in at least 60% of the rabbits with no total score > 30 ; otherwise, increase one level
50.1 - 80.0	severely	with 7 day mean ≤ 40 and individual total scores ≤ 30 in at least 60% of the rabbits with no total score > 60 ; otherwise, increase one level
80.1 - 100.0	extremely	with 7 day mean ≤ 80 and individual total scores ≤ 60 in at least 60% of the rabbits with no total score > 100 ; otherwise, increase one level
100.1 - 110	maximally	with 7 day mean > 80 and individual total scores > 60 in at least 60% of the rabbits; otherwise, decrease one level

¹ Kay, J.H, and Calandra, J.C. Interpretation of eye irritation tests. *J. Soc. Cos. Chem.* 1962; 13:281-289.