

Iontophoresis Platform Safely and Effectively Delivers Dexamethasone to Manage Post Operative Inflammation and Pain Following Cataract Surgery.

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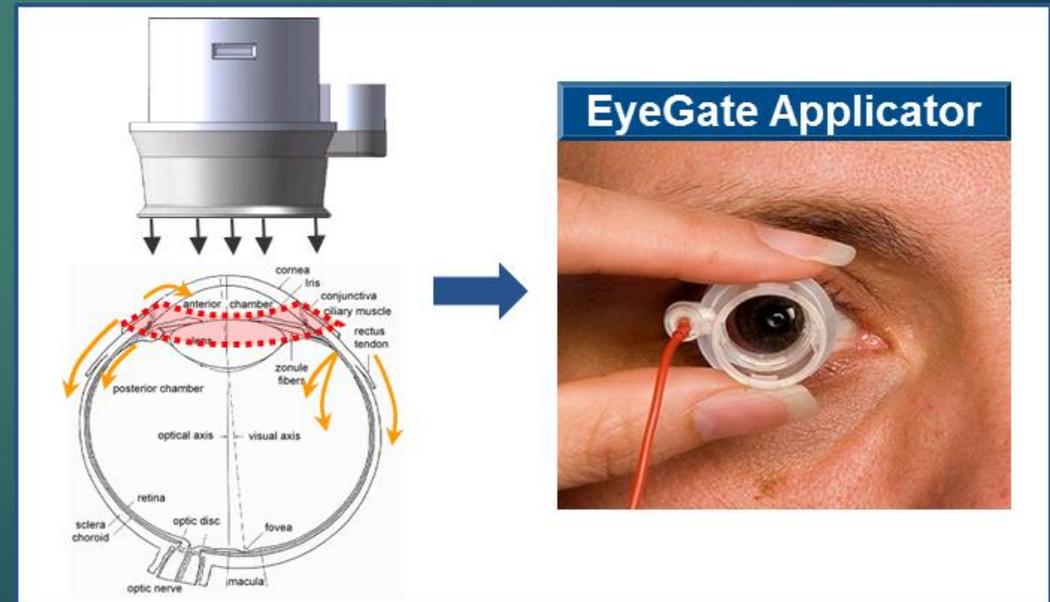
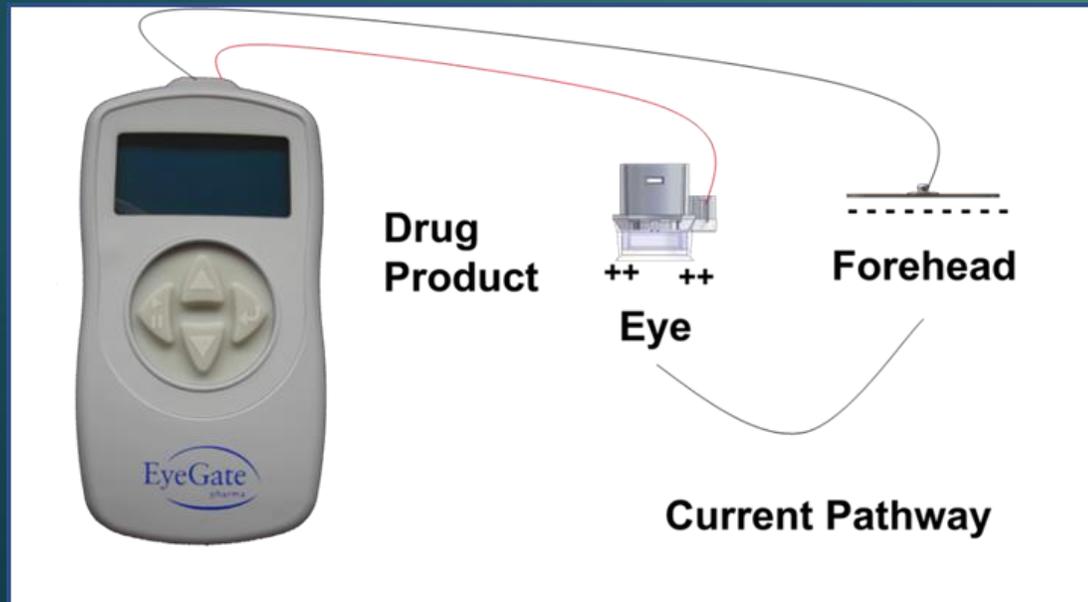
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Purpose:

- ▶ To assess the safety and efficacy of a novel and proprietary iontophoretic platform, EGP437, in its ability to deliver dexamethasone to patients following cataract surgery.
- ▶ This technology offers the potential to control pain and inflammation after cataract surgery without the need for daily drop therapy.

Iontophoresis Platform: A Non-Invasive Method of Propelling Charged Active Compounds Into Ocular Tissues

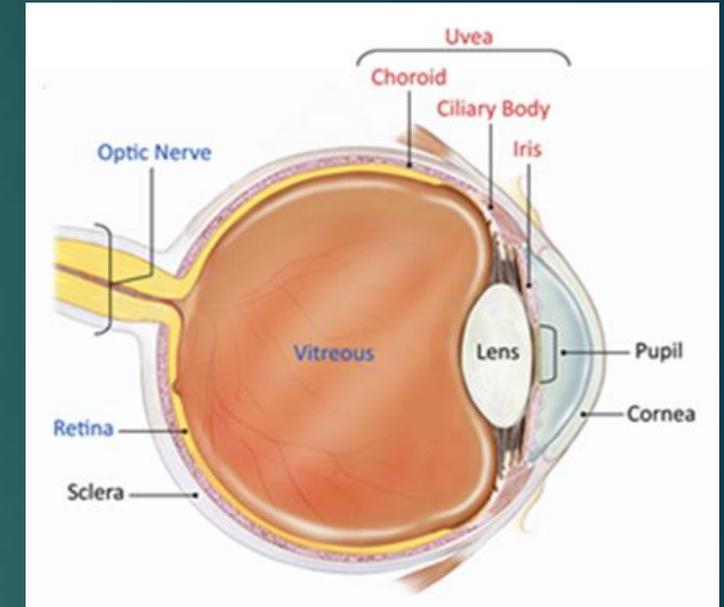
- ▶ Small electrical current (constant); current has same charge as active substance (drug)
- ▶ Electrode creates repulsive electromotive forces (like charges repel)
- ▶ Drug migrates toward return electrode, mobility a function of molecular weight and charge
- ▶ Drug dose controlled by 2 variables: Current (mA) x Application time (minutes)
- ▶ Software-regulated current and duration ensures proper dosing of compatible compounds
- ▶ Easy to use: ophthalmologist or optometrist in <5 minutes
- ▶ More than 2,400 treatments performed in office settings



EGP-437: A Potent Anti-inflammatory Agent (corticosteroid - dexamethasone phosphate)

Cataract Surgery Overview

- ▶ Ocular inflammation and pain are common side effects following cataract surgery
 - > 24 million people age 40 and older have cataracts in the US
 - Nearly four million cataract surgeries are performed each year in the US¹
- ▶ Positive outcome from Phase 1b/2a, 80 subject open-label dose ranging trial
 - Subjects enrolled into cohorts (10 subjects/cohort)
 - Primary outcomes:
 - Proportion of subjects with anterior chamber cell (ACC) count of zero and
 - Proportion with pain score of zero



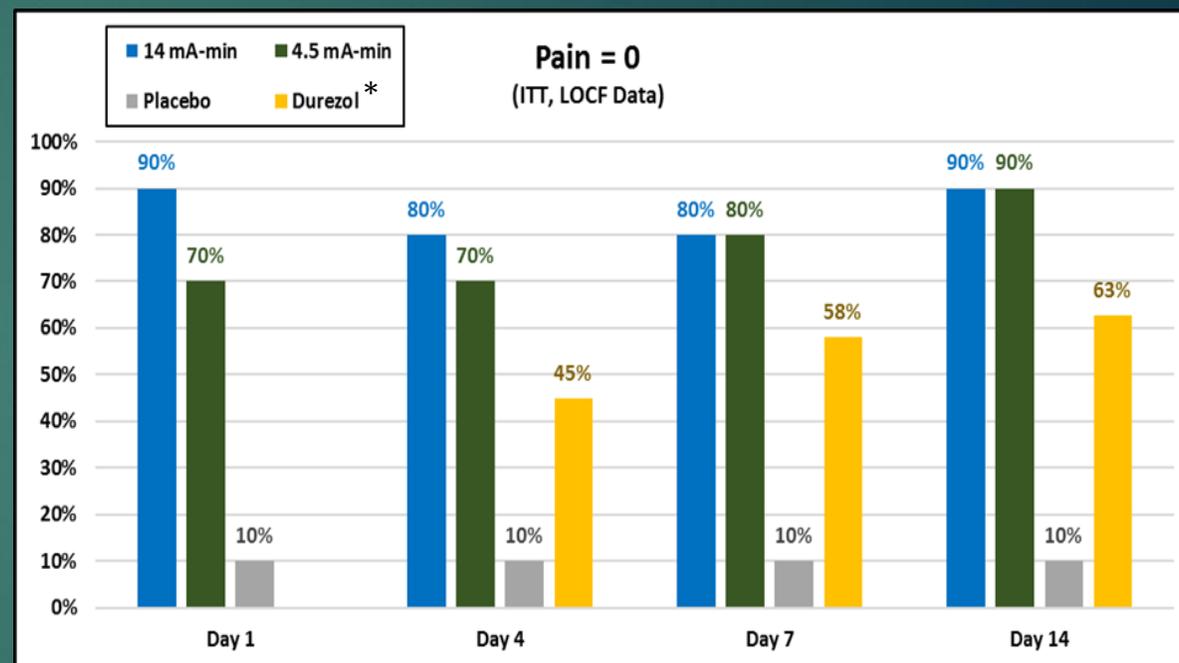
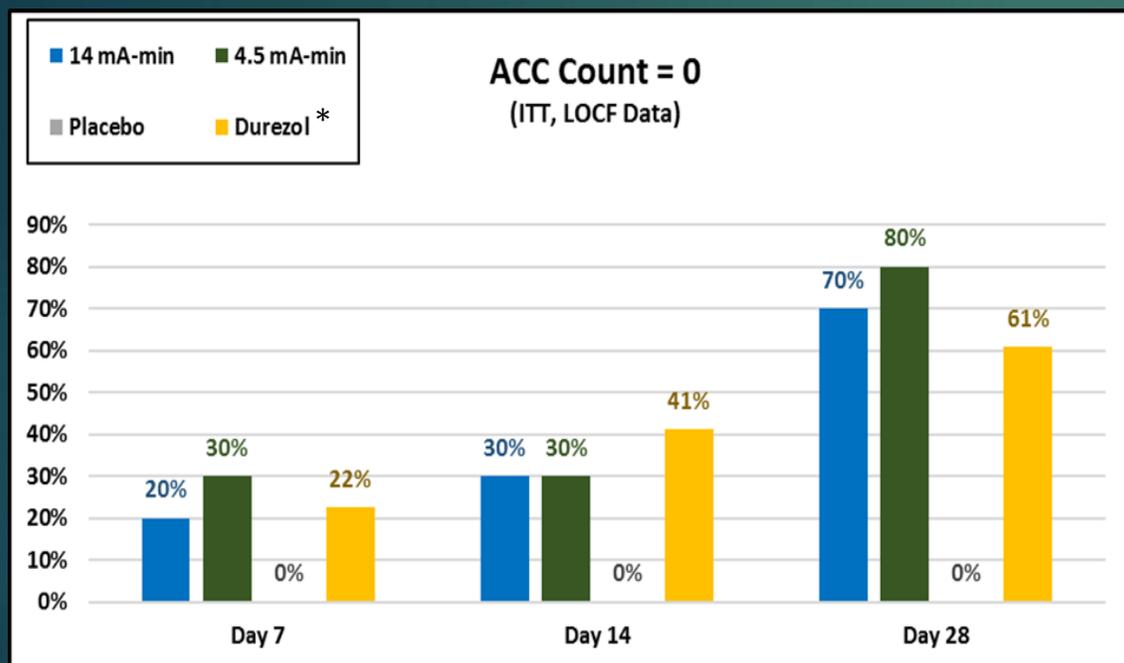
Methods:

- ▶ A 28 day multicenter, open label trial enrolling up to 80 subjects who underwent unilateral cataract extraction with a monofocal intraocular lens.
- ▶ The trial design included 8 cohorts whereby 40 mg/ml of dexamethasone in iontophoretic doses of 4.0 mA min, 4.5 mA min, 9.0 mA min and 14.0 mA min were employed versus placebo;
- ▶ 9.0 and 14.0 mA min Cohorts included 3 different dosing regimens.
 - Subjects in the 9.0 and 14.0 mA min cohorts had three treatments administered starting day 0 (post surgery), day 1 and day 2 OR day 0 (post surgery), day 1 and day 4 with potential for an additional treatment at Day 7.
- ▶ A 9.0 mA min cohort also evaluated 30 – 60 minutes pre surgery day 0 dose followed by day 1, and day 4.
- ▶ The primary endpoint for all cohorts was ACC at day 14,
- ▶ Secondary endpoints included:
 - measuring pain score
 - Intraocular pressure

Results:

- ▶ A positive response was observed in the majority of the patients. The cohorts receiving the 4.5 mA min and the 14 mA min dose of iontophoretic EGP437 on days 0, 1 and 4 generated the most encouraging results, with an Anterior Chamber Cell count (ACC) of zero in 20-30% of patients at day 7 and 70-80% of patients at day 28.
- ▶ Procedure was very well tolerated with minimal pain throughout the duration of the trial.
- ▶ 8 of 10 subjects rescued by Day 4 in placebo arm – i.e. control arm for registration trials.
- ▶ Percentage of patients in 4.5 and 14 mA-min doses with zero pain on day 1 was 70 and 90% respectively

Efficacy Results:



*Durezol data from CDER Application Number 22-212: Medical Review for Durezol, studies ST-601A-002a and 002b.

Durezol data shown is based on combined data from both studies. QID dose, ITT, LOCF.

EGP-437 data from 4.5mA-min and 14mA-min dosed on Days 0, 1, and 4 (some subjects received additional dose at Day 7) and is ITT, LOCF.

Safety Results:

- ▶ No increase in IOP due to EGP-437
- ▶ In the two dose cohorts selected
 - ▶ Mild / moderate AEs included “expected” post operative findings, all of which resolved:
 - ▶ Excessive inflammation (30% in 14.0 mA-min & 0% in the 4.5 mA-min)
 - ▶ Corneal edema (50% of the 14.0 mA-min & 0% in the 4.5 mA-min)
 - ▶ Eye pain / Foreign body sensation (50% in 14.0 mA-min & 30% in 4.5 mA-min cohorts)
 - ▶ Mild transient eye or brow discomfort during procedure was noted in a minority of patients
 - ▶ On average Moderate inflammation was noted in the majority of the placebo group as expected which resulted in early rescue

Conclusions:

- ▶ EGP-437 is safe and effective in reducing inflammation and preventing pain as early as Day 1 with 2 different iontophoretic doses.
- ▶ Best responses observed with 4.5 mA-min and 14.0 mA-min doses
- ▶ Percentage of patients with ACC count of zero greater than Durezol historical data at Day 7 and Day 28
- ▶ Percentage of patients with zero pain better than Durezol historical data at Day 4, 7, and 14
- ▶ Phase 2b trial initiation targeted for 1H 2017

**EGP-437 effectively controls post operative pain
and inflammation without the need for drop
therapy**