

March 22, 1971

Dr. Barrett Scoville
Deputy Director
Division of Neuropharmacological
1 Drug Products
Office of Scientific Evaluation
Bureau of Drugs
Rockville, Maryland 20852

Dear Dr. Scoville:

RE: IND 6825

Methadone is obtained from the pharmacy at Metropolitan Hospital, New York City in liquid form. The appropriate dosage is measured by trained (R.N.) nurses and dispensed to patients diluted with grenadine syrup. Each day's dosage is dispensed separately; patients coming to the clinic 5x, 4x, 3x, 2x a week.

For ℓ - α -acetylmethadol, we have received pure powder from Merck, Sharpe and Dohme Research Laboratories, West Point, Pennsylvania 19486. This is measured out by the licensed pharmacist at Metropolitan Hospital; dissolved in grenadine syrup; and dispensed 3x/week. Dispensation by the same trained R.N. personnel of the methadone unit.

Sincerely yours,

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