

Mayne Pharma introduces another generic oral contraceptive in US

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ORTHO-CEPT® is the fourth oral contraceptive launched



Australia based Mayne Pharma Group Limited commercially launched a generic version of ORTHO-CEPT® (desogestrel and Ethinyl estradiol 0.15 mg / 0.03 mg) tablets to customers in the US.

This is the fourth oral contraceptive launched this calendar year after launching generic versions of LOESTRIN® 24 FE, ORTHO CYCLEN® and ORTHO TRI-CYCLEN®. According to IQVIA, the annual US market sales for the four products were approximately US\$315 million in the twelve months ending January 2021.

Mayne Pharma's CEO Scott Richards said, "We are very pleased to expand our Women's Health portfolio which now covers ~80% of Obstetrician/Gynaecologist oral contraceptive prescription volumes and includes 24 marketed branded generic contraceptives. Mayne Pharma is committed to helping meet the needs of women in the US by providing cost-effective, high-quality and novel contraceptive options. The four new products launched this year were sourced from the strategic partnership with Novast Laboratories."

"In addition, Mayne Pharma has four women's health pipeline products pending at the FDA including the novel combined oral contraceptive NEXTSTELLIS[™] (E4/DRSP) and a generic version of NUVARING®. NEXTSTELLIS which has a FDA target action date in April contains a new estrogen called estetrol or E4 in combination with a progestin, drospirenone. If approved, E4 will be the first new estrogen introduced in the US for contraceptive use in approximately 50 years."