

OWP Pharmaceuticals Announces Patent Application for First Oral Liquid Formulation of Trazodone for Treatment of MDD

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NAPERVILLE, ILLINOIS, USA, November 30, 2022 /EINPresswire.com/ -- [OWP Pharmaceuticals](https://www.owp-pharm.com/), Inc. is a privately held, commercial-stage neuroscience specialty pharmaceutical company, dedicated to developing and commercializing novel oral liquid formulations. OWP announced today that it has applied for U.S. patent protection for the first-ever oral solution of trazodone hydrochloride.

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Offering an important delivery alternative for a drug often used for major depressive disorder (MDD), this represents the sixth of several oral liquid medications in neuroscience that the company hopes to commercialize over the next several years via a 505(b)(2) application, in keeping with its pipeline of reformulated, approved therapeutics with no currently available liquid formulation.

Trazodone hydrochloride is a selective serotonin reuptake inhibitor and the tablets, for oral use, were first approved in the U.S. in 1981. The medication is widely prescribed by

healthcare providers in psychiatry for MDD, and it is indicated for treatment in adults. The efficacy and safety of trazodone hydrochloride was established from both inpatient and outpatient trials of the trazodone immediate release formulation in the treatment of major depressive disorder. (1) In tablet form, total U.S. prescriptions for trazodone hydrochloride are approximately 35.8 million annually. (2)

Scott Boyer, founder, and chief executive officer of OWP stated, “Today we are pleased to have filed a patent application for our unique formulation of a drug widely used in neuroscience for patients challenged with MDD. As with our other potential entrants, this alternative dosage form may be preferred by patients who have trouble swallowing tablets or who experience swallowing difficulties. Healthcare providers may also find that in this form, the medication may simplify

dosage titration or combination therapy. This sixth important strategic initiative, closely following the releases of our oral liquid formulations for lamotrigine, topiramate, quetiapine, atomoxetine, and duloxetine, aligns well with our goal of expanding our business model to include more complex 505(b)(2) branded products in our pipeline.”

About OWP

Established in 2014, OWP Pharmaceuticals (www.owppharma.com) delivers quality branded and generic neuroscience medications. Its strategic focus is to support neurologists, psychiatrists, and patients in the U.S. with commonly used products, and to donate a significant portion of the profits to the [ROW Foundation](http://www.rowglobal.org) (www.rowglobal.org) for the provision of resources to those living with epilepsy and associated psychiatric disorders in under-resourced areas of the world.

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