

C² PHARMA Receives CEP approval for Oxybuprocaine Hydrochloride

Cork, Ireland January 28th, 2025 – **C² PHARMA**, the global leader in manufacturing and supplying ophthalmic and niche active pharmaceutical ingredients (APIs), proudly announces the approval of a Certificate of Suitability (CEP) for Oxybuprocaine Hydrochloride by the European Directorate for the Quality of Medicines and Health Care (EDQM). Oxybuprocaine Hydrochloride is now commercially available to customers in Europe and other global markets with mutual recognition of the CEP.

Oxybuprocaine Hydrochloride, also known as Benoxinate, is a synthetic local anesthetic used in ophthalmology and otolaryngology for minor surgical procedures. Currently, there are only two approved CEPs for Oxybuprocaine HCL, with C² PHARMA holding the second. “Achieving this approval demonstrates our dedication to meeting the highest regulatory standards and positions us as a key player in the market for this product,” states Katrien Oosterom, Senior Vice-President of Regulatory Affairs. Oxybuprocaine Hydrochloride is manufactured by C² PHARMA’s trusted CMO, [Laurus Labs](#), at their new site in Anakapalli, India.

The application for Oxybuprocaine HCL, submitted in July 2024, has been approved in a record review timeline of just seven months. It underscores the quality and compliance of this submission. “This achievement highlights our company's commitment to excellence, efficiency, and integrity, further solidifying our reputation as the trusted leader in ophthalmic APIs,” states Andrew Badrot, CEO of C² PHARMA. The CEP approval was secured on January 9th, 2025, and was officially published on the [EDQM website](#).

Connect with the C² PHARMA team at two major pharma events this year: DCAT in New York City from the 17th to the 20th of March 2025 and CPhI Worldwide in Frankfurt, Germany, from the 28th to the 30th of October 2025. To learn more or book an in-person meeting, email us at info@c2pharma.com

About C² PHARMA

C2 PHARMA is the global leader in ophthalmic active pharmaceutical ingredients (APIs). Founded in 2014 and headquartered in Cork, Ireland, it ensures a consistent supply of high-quality APIs at competitive prices, serving over 200 pharmaceutical companies worldwide.

Its specialized affiliate, Logistics4Pharma (Frankfurt, Germany), provides tailored GDP-compliant cold-chain logistics solutions.