

## Draft Guidance on Acetazolamide

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**Active Ingredient:** Acetazolamide

**Dosage Form; Route:** Tablet; oral

**Recommended Studies:** Two studies

1. Type of study: Fasting  
Design: Single-dose, two-treatment, two-period crossover in vivo  
Strength: 250 mg  
Subjects: Males and non-pregnant, non-lactating females, general population  
Additional comments: None

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2. Type of study: Fed  
Design: Single-dose, two-treatment, two-period crossover in vivo  
Strength: 250 mg  
Subjects: Males and non-pregnant, non-lactating females, general population  
Additional comments: None

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**Analytes to measure (in appropriate biological fluid):** Acetazolamide in plasma

**Bioequivalence based on (90% CI):** Acetazolamide

**Waiver request of in vivo testing:** 125 mg based on (i) acceptable bioequivalence studies on the 250 mg strength, (ii) acceptable dissolution testing across all strengths, and (iii) proportional similarity in the formulations across all strengths.

**Dissolution test method and sampling times:** The dissolution information for this drug product can be found on the FDA-Recommended Dissolution Methods web site, available to the public at the following location: <http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/scripts/cder/dissolution/>. Conduct comparative dissolution testing on 12 dosage units each of all strengths of the test and reference products. Specifications will be determined upon review of the abbreviated new drug application (ANDA).