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Draft Guidance on Ribavirin

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Active Ingredient: Ribavirin

Dosage Form: Tablet

Route: Oral

Strengths: 200 mg, 400 mg, 600 mg

Recommended Study: One in vivo bioequivalence study with pharmacokinetic endpoints

1. Type of study: Fed
Design: Single-dose, two-treatment, two-period crossover in vivo
Strength: 600 mg
Subjects: Healthy males and non-pregnant, non-lactating females
Additional comments: None

Analyte to measure: Ribavirin in plasma

Bioequivalence based on (90% CI): Ribavirin

Waiver request of in vivo testing: 200 mg and 400 mg strengths based on (i) acceptable bioequivalence study on the 600 mg strength, (ii) acceptable in vitro dissolution testing of all strengths, and (iii) proportional similarity of the formulations across all strengths

Dissolution test method and sampling times: The dissolution information for this drug product can be found in the FDA’s Dissolution Methods database, <http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/scripts/cder/dissolution/>. Conduct comparative dissolution testing on 12 dosage units for each of all strengths of the test product and reference listed drug (RLD).¹ Specifications will be determined upon review of the abbreviated new drug application.

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¹ If the RLD is not available, refer to the most recent version of the FDA guidance for industry on *Referencing Approved Drug Products in ANDA Submissions*.