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MEMORANDUM



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SUBJECT: Product Quality Microbiology assessment of Microbial Limits for
Ibrutinib 140 mg Capsules [Submission Date: 28 June 2013]

The Microbial Limits specification for Ibrutinib 140 mg Capsules is acceptable from a Product Quality Microbiology perspective. Therefore, this submission is recommended for approval from the standpoint of product quality microbiology.

Ibrutinib 140 mg Capsules are for oral administration.

The drug product is tested for Microbial Limits at release using a method consistent with USP Chapter <61> (Microbiological Examination of Non-sterile Products: Microbial Enumeration Tests) and <62> (Microbiological Examination of Non-sterile Products: Tests for Specified Microorganisms). The Microbial Limits acceptance criteria are consistent with USP Chapter <1111> (Microbiological Examination of Non-sterile Products: Acceptance Criteria for Pharmaceutical Preparations and Substances for Pharmaceutical Use).

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Table 1 – Microbial Limits Specification

Test	Acceptance Criteria	Method
Total Aerobic Count	NMT (b) (4)	USP <61>
Total Combined Yeast and Mold Count	NMT	USP <61>
<i>E. coli</i>	Absent	USP <62>

The Microbial Limits test methods were verified to be appropriate for use with the drug product following procedures consistent with those in USP Chapter <61> and <62>.

The drug product will also be tested for Microbial Limits annually as part of the post-approval stability protocol.

ADEQUATE

Reviewer Comments – The microbiological quality of the drug product is controlled via a suitable testing protocol.

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