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Guidance on Acetaminophen; Caffeine; Dihydrocodeine Bitartrate

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Active ingredient: Acetaminophen; Caffeine; Dihydrocodeine Bitartrate

Form/Route: Tablets/Oral

Recommended studies:

Acetaminophen; Caffeine: Dihydrocodeine bitartrate Tablets are a DESI\(^1\) effective drug for which there are no known or suspected bioequivalence problems, and as such is rated “AA” in the FDA/CDER’s Approved Drug Products with Therapeutic Equivalence Evaluations (“Orange Book”).

Analytes to measure (in appropriate biological fluid): Not Applicable

Bioequivalence based on (90% CI): Not Applicable

Waiver request of in-vivo testing: 712.8 mg/60 mg/32 mg, and 356.4 mg/30 mg/16 mg pursuant to 21 CFR 320.22 (c) provided that the in-vitro dissolution profiles of your proposed product are comparable to those of the reference product.

Dissolution test method and sampling times:
Please note that a Dissolution Methods Database is available to the public at the OGD website at [http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/scripts/cder/dissolution/](http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/scripts/cder/dissolution/). Please find the dissolution information for this product at this website. Please 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 application.

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\(^1\) Drug Efficacy Study Implementation