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Draft Guidance on Betamethasone Valerate

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Active Ingredient: Betamethasone valerate

Dosage Form; Route: Cream; topical

Recommended Studies: Two studies

1. Type of study: Pilot Vasoconstrictor Study
   Design: Pilot dose duration-response study using the reference product
   Strength: EQ 0.1% base
   Subjects: Healthy males and non-pregnant, non-lactating females, general population
   Additional comments: Refer to the guidance "Topical Dermatologic Corticosteroids: In Vivo Bioequivalence".

2. Type of study: Pivotal Vasoconstrictor Study
   Design: Pivotal in vivo bioequivalence study
   Strength: EQ 0.1% base
   Subjects: Healthy males and non-pregnant, non-lactating females, general population
   Additional comments: See comments above.

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

Bioequivalence based on (90% CI): Pivotal Vasoconstrictor Study

Waiver request of in vivo testing: Not Applicable

Dissolution test method and sampling times: Not Applicable