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Draft Guidance on Carisoprodol

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Active ingredient: Carisoprodol

Form/Route: Tablet/Oral

Recommended studies: 2 studies

1. Type of study: Fasting
   Design: Randomized, single-dose, two-way crossover, in-vivo
   Strength: 250 mg
   Subjects: Healthy males and nonpregnant females, general population.
   Additional Comments:

2. Type of study: Fed
   Design: Randomized, single-dose, two-way crossover, in-vivo
   Strength: 250 mg
   Subjects: Healthy males and nonpregnant females, general population.
   Additional Comments:

Analytes to measure (in appropriate biological fluid): Carisoprodol in plasma

Bioequivalence based on (90% CI): Carisoprodol

Waiver request of in-vivo testing: 350 mg strength of the test drug product, based on acceptable formulation data and in vitro dissolution testing under the criteria set forth in 21 CFR 320.22 (c).

Carisoprodol 350 mg Tablet is a DESI1 - effective drug for which there are no known or suspected bioequivalence problems, and as such is rated “AA” in FDA/CDER’s Approved Drug Products with Therapeutic Equivalence Evaluations (“Orange Book”).

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/. 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.

1 Drug Efficacy Study Implementation

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