Draft Guidance on Methylnaltrexone Bromide

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Active Ingredient: Methylnaltrexone bromide

Dosage Form; Route: Tablet; oral

Recommended Studies: One study

1. Type of study: Fasting
   Design: Single-dose, two-way crossover in-vivo
   Strength: 150 mg (recommended dose 450 mg (3 x 150 mg tablets))
   Subjects: Healthy males and non-pregnant, non-lactating females, general population
   Additional Comments: None

Analytes to measure (in appropriate biological fluid): methylnaltrexone

Bioequivalence based on (90% CI): methylnaltrexone

Waiver request of in-vivo testing: Not applicable

Dissolution test method and sampling times: The dissolution information for this drug product can be found on the FDA-Recommended Dissolution Methods web site, available to the public at the following location: http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/scripts/cder/dissolution/. 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 abbreviated new drug application (ANDA).