

Draft Guidance on Ethambutol Hydrochloride

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Active Ingredient: Ethambutol hydrochloride

Dosage Form: Tablet

Route: Oral

Strengths: 100 mg, 400 mg

Recommended Study: One in vivo bioequivalence study with pharmacokinetic endpoints

1. Type of study: Fasting
Design: Single-dose, two-treatment, two-period crossover in vivo
Strength: 400 mg
Subjects: Healthy males and non-pregnant, non-lactating females
Additional comments: None

Analyte to measure: Ethambutol in plasma

Bioequivalence based on (90% CI): Ethambutol

Waiver request of in vivo testing: 100 mg strength based on (i) acceptable bioequivalence study on the 400 mg strength, and (ii) acceptable in vitro dissolution testing of both strengths, and (iii) proportional similarity of the formulations between both strengths

Dissolution test method and sampling times: The dissolution information for this drug product can be found in the FDA's Dissolution Methods database, <http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/scripts/cder/dissolution/>. Conduct comparative dissolution testing on 12 dosage units for each of both strengths of the test product and reference listed drug (RLD).¹ Specifications will be determined upon review of the abbreviated new drug application.

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¹ If the RLD is not available, refer to the most recent version of the FDA guidance for industry on *Referencing Approved Drug Products in ANDA Submissions*.