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Draft Guidance on Zolmitriptan

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Active Ingredient:	Zolmitriptan
Dosage Form:	Tablet
Route:	Oral
Strengths:	2.5 mg, 5 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: 5 mg
Subjects: Healthy males and non-pregnant, non-lactating females
Additional comments: None

Analytes to measure: Zolmitriptan and its active metabolite, N-desmethylzolmitriptan, in plasma

Submit the metabolite data as supportive evidence of comparable therapeutic outcome. For the metabolite, the following data should be submitted: individual and mean concentrations, individual and mean pharmacokinetic parameters, and geometric means and ratios of means for AUC and C_{max} .

Bioequivalence based on (90% CI): Zolmitriptan

Waiver request of in vivo testing: 2.5 mg strength based on (i) acceptable bioequivalence study on the 5 mg strength, (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 reference listed drug is not available, refer to the most recent version of the FDA guidance for industry on *Referencing Approved Drug Products in ANDA Submissions*.