

**Draft Guidance on Miglustat**

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| <b>Active Ingredient:</b>     | Miglustat                                                                                                                                              |
| <b>Dosage Form:</b>           | Capsule                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>Route:</b>                 | Oral                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>Strength:</b>              | 65 mg                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>Reference Listed Drug:</b> | NDA 215211                                                                                                                                             |
| <b>Recommended Studies:</b>   | Two options: (I) Biopharmaceutics Classification System (BCS)-based biowaiver or (II) one in vivo bioequivalence study with pharmacokinetic endpoints. |

**Option I: BCS Class III-based biowaiver**

**BCS-III waiver:** A waiver request of in vivo testing for this product may be considered provided that the appropriate documentation regarding high solubility, very rapid dissolution of the test product and reference listed drug (RLD),<sup>1</sup> and the test product formulation is qualitatively the same and quantitatively very similar as detailed in the guidance for industry *M9 Biopharmaceutics Classification System-Based Biowaivers<sup>a</sup>* is submitted in the application. Applicants may use the information contained in the approved labeling of the RLD. Peer-reviewed articles may not contain the necessary details of the testing for the Agency to make a judgement regarding the quality of the studies. A decision regarding the acceptability of the waiver request can only be made upon assessment of the data submitted in the application.

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<sup>1</sup> If the RLD is not available, refer to the most recent version of the guidance for industry Referencing Approved Drug Products in ANDA Submissions.

## Option II: One in vivo bioequivalence study with pharmacokinetic endpoints

1. Class of study: Bioequivalence  
Type of study: Fasting  
Design: Single-dose, two-treatment, two-period, two-sequence, crossover in vivo  
Strength: 65 mg  
Subjects: Healthy males and non-pregnant, non-lactating females  
Safety recommendation:
  - Females of reproductive potential should use effective contraception during the study.

**Analyte to measure:** Miglustat in plasma

**Bioequivalence based on (90% CI):** Miglustat

**Dissolution:** Dissolution test(s) should be included for quality control. Provide a dissolution method development report for the test product containing information and data that demonstrate appropriateness of the selected dissolution method<sup>2</sup> and sampling times, such as the discriminating ability to detect changes in critical quality attributes that could potentially impact drug product performance.

For drug products containing high solubility drug substances that meet the rapidly dissolving criteria, demonstration of discriminating ability may not be needed. For additional information, refer to the guidance for industry *Dissolution Testing and Acceptance Criteria for Immediate-Release Solid Oral Dosage Form Drug Products Containing High Solubility Drug Substances*.<sup>a</sup>

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<sup>a</sup> We update guidances periodically. For the most recent version of a guidance, refer to the FDA guidance webpage at <https://www.fda.gov/regulatory-information/search-fda-guidance-documents>.

<sup>2</sup> Applicant-developed, United States Pharmacopeia drug product monograph or Dissolution Methods database, <https://www.accessdata.fda.gov/scripts/cder/dissolution/index.cfm>