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**Draft Guidance on Belzutifan**

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**Active Ingredient:** Belzutifan

**Dosage Form; Route:** Tablet; Oral

**Recommended Studies:** Two in vivo bioequivalence studies with pharmacokinetic endpoints

1. Type of study: Fasting  
Design: Single-dose, two-treatment, two-period crossover in vivo  
Strength: 40 mg  
Subjects: Healthy males not of reproductive potential (i.e., surgically sterile) and females not of reproductive potential  
Additional comment: Exclude subjects with a history of anemia or abnormal hemoglobin levels.
2. Type of study: Fed  
Design: Single-dose, two-treatment, two-period crossover in vivo  
Strength: 40 mg  
Subjects: Healthy males not of reproductive potential (i.e., surgically sterile) and females not of reproductive potential  
Additional comment: See comment above.

**Analyte to measure:** Belzutifan in plasma

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

**Waiver request of in vivo testing:** Not applicable

**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 each of the test and reference products. Specifications will be determined upon review of the abbreviated new drug application.

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