

**Draft Guidance on Ranitidine Hydrochloride**

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**Active ingredient:** Ranitidine Hydrochloride

**Form/Route:** Effervescent Tablet/Oral

**Recommended studies:** 2 studies

1. Type of study: Fasting  
Design: Single-dose, two-way crossover in-vivo  
Strength: 25 mg  
Subjects: Healthy males and nonpregnant females, general population.  
Additional Comments: The following passage is reproduced from the Dosage and Administration section of the labeling:  
Tablets should not be chewed, swallowed whole, or dissolved on the tongue. Dissolve 1 tablet in no less than 5 mL (1 teaspoonful) of water in an appropriate measuring cup. Wait until the tablet is completely dissolved before administering the solution.

Subsequently, after swallowing the solution, any residue should be re-suspended in 240 mL of water and swallowed by the subjects.

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2. Type of study: Fed  
Design: Single-dose, two-way crossover in-vivo  
Strength: 25 mg  
Subjects: Healthy males and nonpregnant females, general population.  
Additional Comments: Please see comments above.

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**Analytes to measure (in appropriate biological fluid):** Ranitidine in plasma

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

**Waiver request of in-vivo testing:** N/A

**Dissolution test method and sampling times:**

Please note that **Dissolution Method Database** is available to the public at the OGD website at <http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/scripts/cder/dissolution/>. Please find the dissolution information for this product at this website. Please 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 application.