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**Draft Guidance on Ceritinib**

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**Active Ingredient:** Ceritinib

**Dosage Form; Route:** Tablet; oral

**Recommended Studies:** Two studies

1. Type of study: Fasting  
Design: Single-dose, two-treatment, two-period crossover in vivo  
Strength: 150 mg  
Subjects: Males and females, general population  
Additional comments: Exclude females of reproductive potential and subjects with risk factors for prolonged QTc interval and Torsades de Pointes. Monitor subjects during the study for electrocardiogram changes. Based on the potential for genotoxicity, males with female partners of reproductive potential should be advised to use effective contraception during the study and for 3 months following completion of the study. Subjects should be evaluated before enrollment to ensure normal transaminase (ALT, AST), alkaline phosphatase, and total bilirubin levels. Ensure an adequate washout period between treatments in the crossover study due to the long elimination half-life of ceritinib. Alternatively, a parallel study design may be considered.

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2. Type of study: Fed  
Design: Single-dose, two-treatment, two-period crossover in vivo  
Strength: 150 mg  
Subjects: Males, and females of non-reproductive potential, general population  
Additional comments: See comments above.

**Analyte to measure:** Ceritinib in plasma

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

**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.