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**Draft Guidance on Desonide**

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**Active Ingredient:** Desonide

**Dosage Form; Route:** Aerosol, foam; topical

**Recommended Studies:** Two studies

1. Type of study: Pilot vasoconstrictor study  
Design: A pilot dose duration-response study using the reference product  
Strength: 0.05%  
Subjects: Males and nonpregnant, nonlactating females, general population  
Additional comments: Refer to the guidance for industry *Topical Dermatologic Corticosteroids: In Vivo Bioequivalence*.

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2. Type of study: Pivotal vasoconstrictor study  
Design: A pivotal bioequivalence study  
Strength: 0.05%  
Subjects: Males and nonpregnant, nonlactating females, general population  
Additional comments: See comments above.

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**Analyte to measure:** Not applicable

**Bioequivalence based on (90% CI):** Pivotal vasoconstrictor study

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

**Dissolution test method and sampling times:** Not applicable

Applicants intending to propose an alternative approach by which to demonstrate bioequivalence should refer to the guidance for industry *Controlled Correspondence Related to Generic Drug Development* and the guidance for industry *Formal Meetings Between FDA and ANDA Applicants of Complex Products Under GDUFA* for additional information describing the procedures on how to clarify regulatory expectations regarding your individual drug development program.