

Draft Guidance on Pomalidomide

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Active Ingredient: Pomalidomide

Dosage Form; Route: Capsules; Oral

Recommended Studies: Two studies

1. Type of study: Fasting
Design: Single-dose, two-treatment, two-period crossover in vivo
Strength: 4 mg
Subjects: Normal healthy males, general population; female subjects should be excluded from the bioequivalence (BE) study
Additional Comments: a. Pomalyst[®] is contraindicated for use in women who are or may become pregnant. b. Pomalyst[®] was approved with a Risk Evaluation and Mitigation Strategy (REMS), including elements to assure safe use (ETASU). All pertinent elements of the REMS must be incorporated into the protocol and informed consent.
2. Type of study: Fed
Design: Single-dose, two-treatment, two-period crossover in vivo
Strength: 4 mg
Subjects: Normal healthy males, general population; female subjects should be excluded from the BE study
Additional Comments: Please see additional comments above.

Analytes to measure (in appropriate biological fluid): Pomalidomide in plasma, using an achiral assay

Bioequivalence based on (90% CI): Pomalidomide

Waiver request of in vivo testing: 1 mg, 2 mg, and 3 mg strengths based on (i) acceptable BE studies on the 4 mg strength, (ii) proportionally similar formulation across all strengths, and (iii) acceptable in vitro dissolution testing of all strengths.

Dissolution test method and sampling times: The dissolution information for this drug product can be found on the FDA-Recommended Dissolution Methods Web site, available to the public at the following location: <http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/scripts/cder/dissolution/>. 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 abbreviated new drug application (ANDA).