

Draft Guidance on Efavirenz; Lamivudine; and Tenofovir Disoproxil Fumarate

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Active Ingredient: Efavirenz; Lamivudine; Tenofovir disoproxil fumarate

Dosage Form; Route: Tablet; oral

Recommended Studies: One study

1. Type of study: Fasting
Design: Single-dose, two-treatment, two-period crossover in vivo
Strength: 600 mg; 300 mg; 300 mg
Subjects: Males and non-pregnant, non-lactating females, general population
Additional comments: Ensure adequate washout periods between treatments in the crossover studies due to efavirenz's long terminal elimination half-life. Consider using a parallel study design due to its long half-life. For long half-life drug products with low intra-subject variability in distribution and clearance, an AUC truncated to 72 hours may be used in place of AUC_{0-t} or $AUC_{0-\infty}$. For either a crossover or parallel study, sample collection time should be adequate to ensure completion of gastrointestinal transit of the drug product and absorption of the drug substance. Collect sufficient blood samples in the bioequivalence studies to adequately characterize the peak concentration (C_{max}) and time to reach peak concentration (t_{max}).

Analytes to measure (in appropriate biological fluid): Efavirenz, lamivudine, and tenofovir in plasma

Bioequivalence based on (90% CI): Efavirenz, lamivudine, and tenofovir

Waiver request of in vivo testing: Not applicable

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).