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5 **Bioequivalence (CPMP/EWP/QWP/1401/98 Rev.1):**  
6 **Presentation of Biopharmaceutical and Bioanalytical Data**  
7 **in Module 2.7.1**  
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21 **1. Introduction**

22 The objective of CTD Module 2.7.1 is to summarize all relevant information in the MAA dossier with  
23 regard to biopharmaceutical studies and associated analytical methods

24 This Appendix contains a set of template forms to assist applicants in the preparation of Module 2.7.1  
25 providing guidance with regard to data to be presented. Furthermore, it is anticipated that a  
26 standardized presentation will facilitate the evaluation process. Applicants are therefore encouraged to  
27 use these template tables when preparing Module 2.7.1.

28 This Appendix is intended for generic applications according to Directive 2001/83/EC, Article 10(1), but  
29 might be used in other applications including variations, fixed combinations, extensions and hybrid  
30 applications.

31 **2. Instructions for completion and submission of the tables**

32 The tables should be completed only for the pivotal studies, as identified in the application dossier in  
33 accordance with section 4.1 of the Bioequivalence guideline (CPMP/EWP/QWP/1401/98 Rev. 1). If  
34 there is more than one pivotal bioequivalence study, then individual tables should be prepared for each  
35 study. In addition, the following instructions for the tables should be observed:

- 36 • Details of non-EU reference products are not needed.
- 37 • Tables in Section 3 should be completed separately for each analyte per study. If there is more  
38 than one test product then the table structure could be adjusted.
- 39 • Tables in Section 4 should only be completed for the method used in confirmatory (pivotal)  
40 bioequivalence studies. If more than one analyte was measured then Table 4.1 and potentially  
41 Table 4.3 should be completed for each analyte.

42 In general, applicants are encouraged using cross-references and footnotes for adding additional  
43 information. Fields that do not apply should be completed as "Not applicable" together with an  
44 explanatory footnote.

45 In addition, each section of the template should be cross-referenced to the location of supporting  
46 documentation or raw data in the application dossier.

47 It is recommended that the content of the tables is searchable and that the tables are not scanned.  
48 Applicants are encouraged to provide Module 2.7.1 also in Word (.doc) or RTF format.

49 **3. A note about BCS-based biowaiver documentation**

50 Relevant data for justification of BCS-based biowaiver requests should be included in Module 5.3.1.2  
51 "Comparative BA and Bioequivalence (BE) Study Reports". A summary of the data should be provided  
52 in Module 2.7.1 with a justification for this biowaiver and a list of relevant references.

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## 1. BIOWAIVER REQUEST

**Table 1.1 Qualitative and quantitative composition of the Test product**

Ingredient	Function	Strength (label claim)					
		XX mg (Production Batch Size)		XX mg (Production Batch Size)		XX mg (Production Batch Size)	
CORE		Quantity per unit	%*	Quantity per unit	%*	Quantity per unit	%*
TOTAL			100%		100%		100%
COATING							
TOTAL			100%		100%		100%

*\*each ingredient expressed as a percentage of the total core or coating weight*

### Instructions

Include the composition of all strengths. Add additional columns if it is necessary.

**Table 1.2 In vitro dissolution data for biowaiver request**

Dissolution testing Site		Study Report Location (vol, page,link)
Dissolution Conditions	Apparatus	
	RPM	
	Volume	

Dissolution Medium		Collection Times (minutes or hours)					f2
		5	10	15	20		
Strength 1 # of units # Batch no	pH=						
	pH=						
	pH=						
Strength 2 # of units # Batch no	pH =						
	pH=						
	pH=						
Strength 3 # of units # Batch no	pH=						
	pH=						
	pH=						

Instructions

Fill this table only if biowaiver is requested for additional strengths besides the strength tested in the bioequivalence study. Only the mean dissolution values should be reported. f2 values should be computed relative to the strength tested in the bioequivalence study. Expand the table with additional rows if more than 3 strengths are requested. Fill a similar table for the reference product if sink condition could not be achieved.

## 2. BIOEQUIVALENCE TRIAL INFORMATION

**Table 2.1 Test and reference product information**

Product Characteristics	Test product	Reference Product
Name		
Strength		
Dosage form		
Manufacturer <sup>1</sup>		
Batch #		
Batch size (Biobatch)		
Assay %		
Commercial Batch Size		
Expiry date (Retest date)		
Location of product certificate	Vol/page, link	Vol/page, link
Member State where the reference product is purchased from:		

**Table 2.2 Study site**

Study ID (vol/page,link)	Study title			Has this site been inspected by an EU Authority?
Clinical Study Site	Name	Address	Study period:	Authority: Year:
Bioanalytical Facility	Name	Address	Study period:	Authority: Year:
Data analysis	Name	Address		Authority: Year:
Sponsor of the study	Name	Address		

**Table 2.3 Study design**

Study ID:	
Report Location (vol/page, link):	
Design:	
Dose:	
Single/Multiple dose:	
Number of periods:	
Two-stage design:	(yes/no)
Fasting, Fed:	
# Volunteers (dosed):	# Volunteers (evaluated):

### 3. RESULTS

**Table 3.1 Pharmacokinetic data for <analyte>**

Pharmacokinetic parameter	**Arithmetic Means ( $\pm$ SD)	
	Test product	Reference product
AUC <sub>(0-t)</sub> <sup>1</sup>		
AUC <sub>(0-∞)</sub> <sup>2</sup>		
Cmax		
Tmax		
Others		

<sup>1</sup> AUC<sub>(0-72h)</sub> can be reported instead of AUC<sub>(0-t)</sub>, in studies with a sampling period of 72 h, and where the concentration at 72 h is quantifiable

<sup>2</sup> AUC<sub>(0-∞)</sub> does not need to be reported when AUC<sub>(0-72h)</sub> is reported instead of AUC<sub>(0-t)</sub>.

**Table 3.2 Additional pharmacokinetic data for <analyte>**

Records <sup>1</sup> where AUC <sub>(0-t)</sub> /AUC <sub>(0-∞)</sub> <0.8 <sup>2</sup>	List patient IDs and period numbers
Records where Cmax is the first point	List patient IDs and period numbers
Records with significant carry-over (pre-dose sample > 5% Cmax)	List patient IDs, period numbers, treatment, pre-dose concentration

<sup>1</sup> A subject record is a list of concentrations after one administration

<sup>2</sup> Only if the last sampling point of AUC<sub>(0-t)</sub> is less than 72h

**Table 3.3 Bioequivalence evaluation of <analyte>**

Pharmacokinetic parameter	Ratio Test/Ref	Confidence Intervals	CV% <sup>1</sup>
AUC <sub>(0-t)</sub>			
Cmax			
Others			

<sup>1</sup>Estimated from the Residual Mean Squares. For replicate design studies report the within-subject CV% using only the reference product data.

## 4. BIOANALYTICS

**Table 4.1 Bioanalytical method validation**

Analytical Validation Report	<Study report number Locations (vol/page, link)>
This analytical method was used in the following studies:	<Study IDs>
Short description of the method	<e.g. HPLC/MS/MS, GC/MS, Ligand binding>
Analyte	<Name, location of product certificate (vol/page, link)>
Internal standard (IS)	<Name, location of product certificate (vol/page, link)>
Calibration range	
Linearity	<r>
Lower limit of quantification (LOQ)	<Accuracy, Precision>
Standard curve concentrations (units/mL)	
QC concentrations (units/mL, vol/page link)	
Between-run accuracy	<Range or by QC>
Between-run precision	<Range or by QC>
Within-run accuracy	<Range or by QC>
Within-run precision	<Range or by QC>
Matrix Factor % (Analyte and IS) CV% of IS normalized matrix factor	
Short term stability of the stock solution and working solutions	<Confirmed up to (Time). Observed change % at Temperature °C>
Long term stability of the stock solution and working solutions	<Confirmed up to (Time). Observed change % at Temperature °C>
Short-term stability in plasma at room temperature (QC)	<Confirmed up to (Time). Observed change %>
Post-preparative stability (dry extract stability)	<Confirmed up to (Time). Observed change %>
Long term stability in plasma (vol/page,link)	<Confirmed up to (Time). Observed change % at Temperature °C>
Autosampler storage stability	<Confirmed up to (Time). Observed change %>
Freeze and thaw stability (-Temperature °C)	<# cycles, Observed change %>
Dilution integrity	<Concentration diluted X-fold, Accuracy % Precision %>
Partial validations 1 Location (vol/page, link)	<Describe shortly the reason of revalidation>
Partial validations 2 Location (vol/page, link)	<Describe shortly the reason of revalidation>
Cross validation	<Describe shortly the reason of crossvalidation>

<sup>1</sup>Might not be applicable for the given analytical method



**Table 4.2 Storage period of study samples**

Study ID	Longest storage period

**Table 4.3 Study sample analysis**

Study ID	
Total numbers of collected samples	# collected samples
Total number of samples with valid results	# samples
Total number of reassayed samples <sup>1,2</sup>	# reassayed samples
Total number of analytical runs <sup>1</sup>	# runs
Total number of valid analytical runs <sup>1</sup>	# valid runs
Incurred sample reanalysis	
Number of samples	# samples
Percentage of samples where the difference between the two values was less than 20% of the mean"	% samples

<sup>1</sup> Without incurred samples

<sup>2</sup> Due to other reasons than not valid run

**Instructions**

Fill Table 4.3 for each pivotal trial.