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4 **Ticagrelor film-coated tablets 90mg product-specific**  
5 **bioequivalence guidance**  
6 Draft

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<b>Keywords</b>	<b><i>Bioequivalence, generics, ticagrelor</i></b>
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12 Disclaimer:

13 *This guidance should not be understood as being legally enforceable and is without prejudice to the need to ensure that the data submitted in support of a*  
14 *marketing authorisation application complies with the appropriate scientific, regulatory and legal requirements.*

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16 Requirements for bioequivalence demonstration (PKWP)\*

<b>BCS Classification**</b>	<b>BCS Class:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> I <input type="checkbox"/> III <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Neither of the two</b> <b>Background:</b> ticagrelor may be considered a low solubility compound with limited absorption.
<b>BE Study design</b> <i>in case a BCS biowaiver is not feasible or applied</i>	<b>single dose</b>
	<b>cross-over</b>
	<b>healthy volunteers</b>
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>fasting</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>fed</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>both</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>either fasting or fed</b>
	<b>Strength:</b> 90 mg <b>Background:</b> 90 mg is the only strength.
	<b>Number of studies:</b> one single dose study.

<b>Analyte</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> parent <input type="checkbox"/> metabolite <input type="checkbox"/> both
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> plasma/serum <input type="checkbox"/> blood <input type="checkbox"/> urine
	<b>Enantioselective analytical method:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no
<b>Bioequivalence assessment *</b>	<b>Main pharmacokinetic variables:</b> AUC <sub>0-t</sub> , C <sub>max</sub>
	<b>90% confidence interval:</b> 80.00 – 125.00%

17 \* As intra-subject variability of the reference product has not been reviewed to elaborate this product-specific bioequivalence guideline, it is not possible to  
18 recommend at this stage the use of a replicate design to demonstrate high intra-subject variability and widen the acceptance range of C<sub>max</sub>. If high intra-  
19 individual variability (CV<sub>intra</sub> > 30 %) is expected, the applicants might follow respective guideline recommendations.

20 \*\* This tentative BCS classification of the drug substance serves to define whether *in vivo* studies seems to be mandatory (BCS class II and IV) or, on the  
21 contrary, (BCS Class I and III) the Applicant may choose between two options: *in vivo* approach or *in vitro* approach based on a BCS biowaiver. In this latter  
22 case, the BCS classification of the drug substance should be confirmed by the Applicant at the time of submission based on available data (solubility  
23 experiments, literature, etc.). However, a BCS-based biowaiver might not be feasible due to product specific characteristics despite the drug substance being  
24 BCS class I or III (e.g. *in vitro* dissolution being less than 85 % within 15 min (BCS class III) or 30 min (BCS class I) either for test or reference, or  
25 unacceptable differences in the excipient composition).