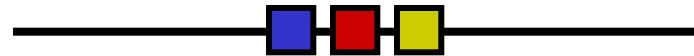




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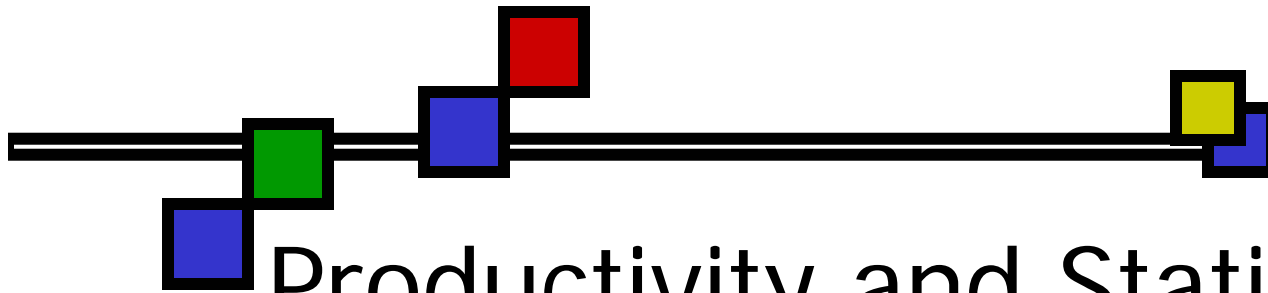
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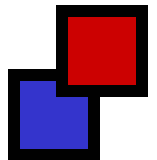
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■ Record Receipts of Applications

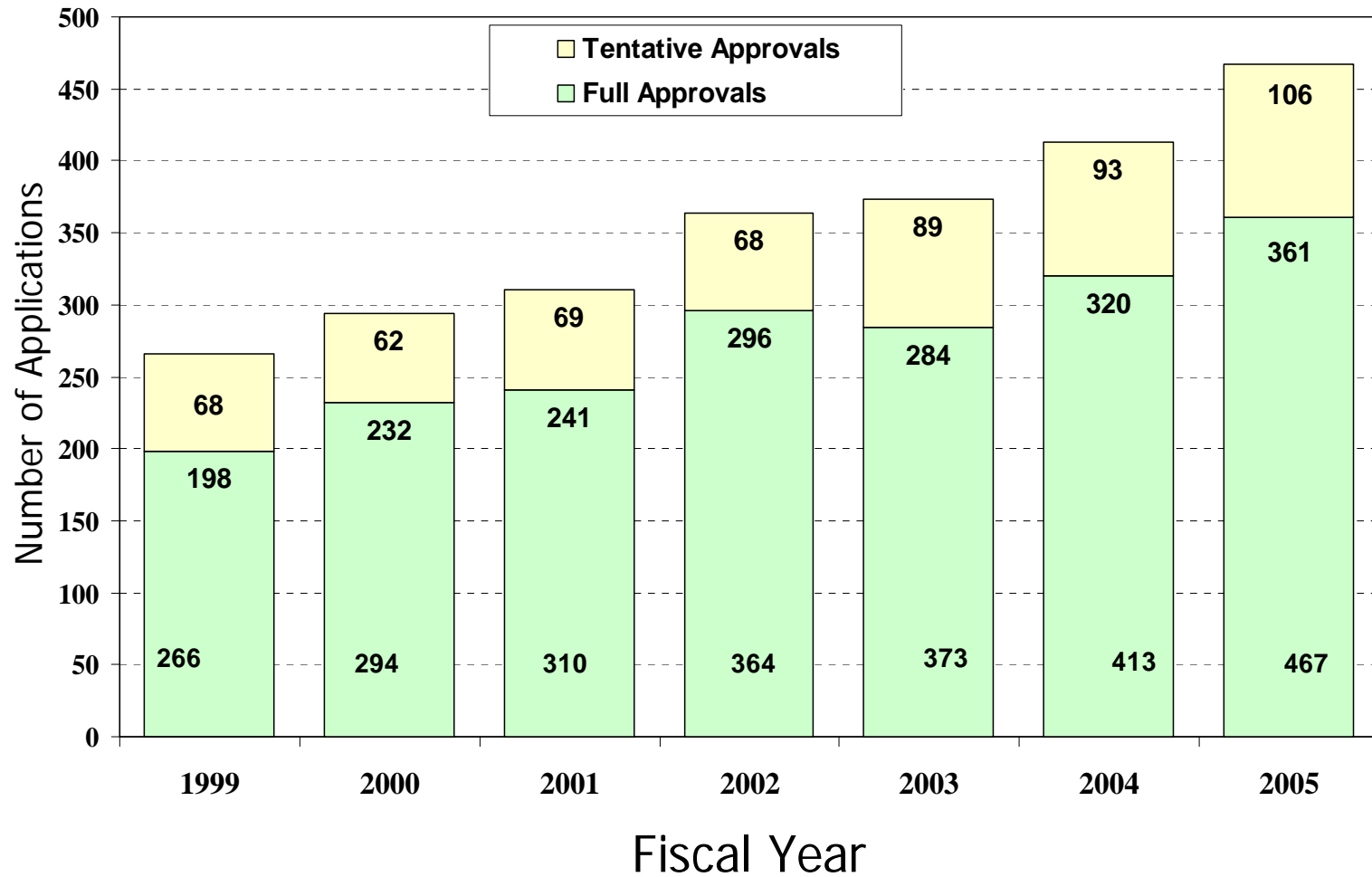


■ Approvals (trying to keep up)



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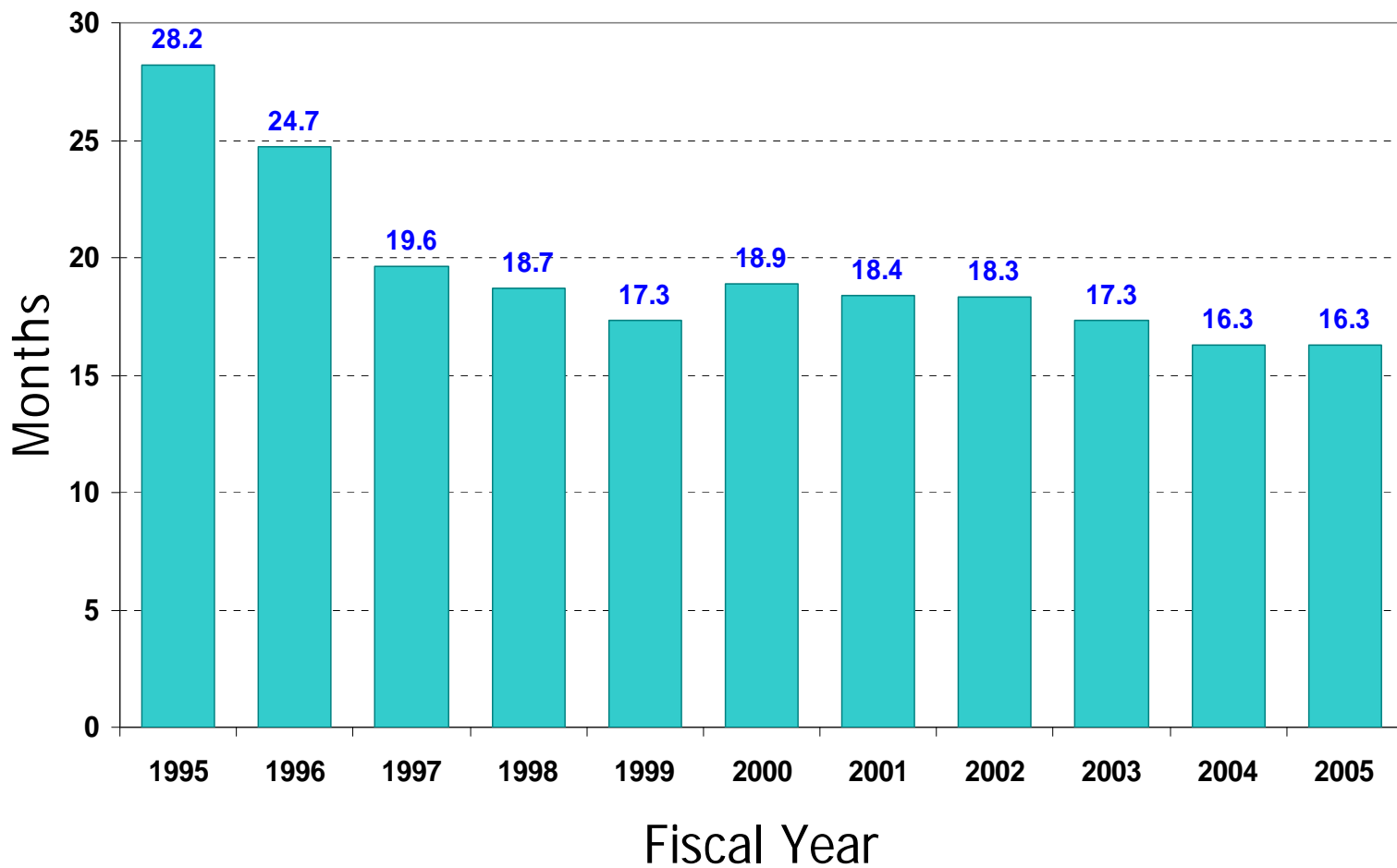
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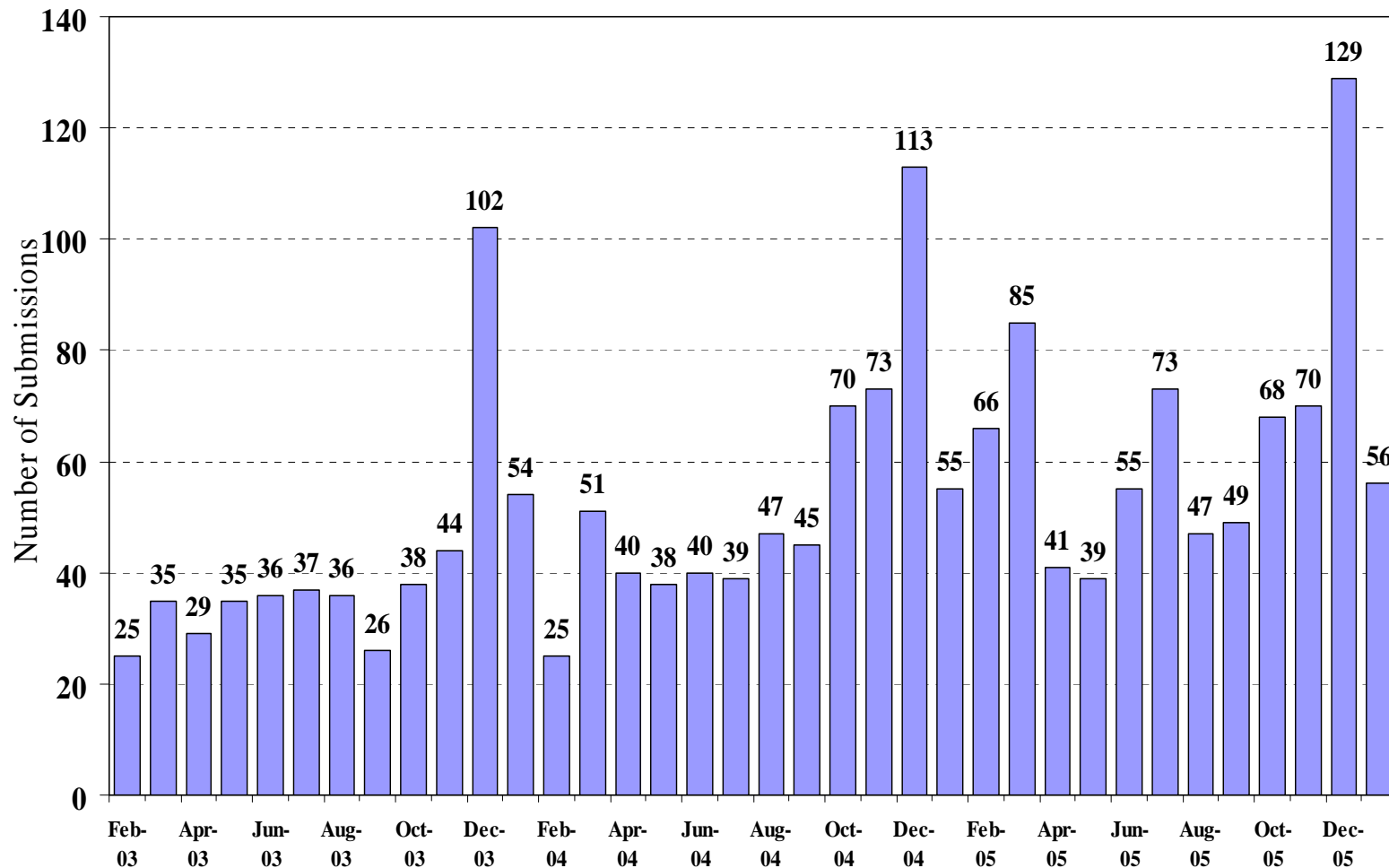
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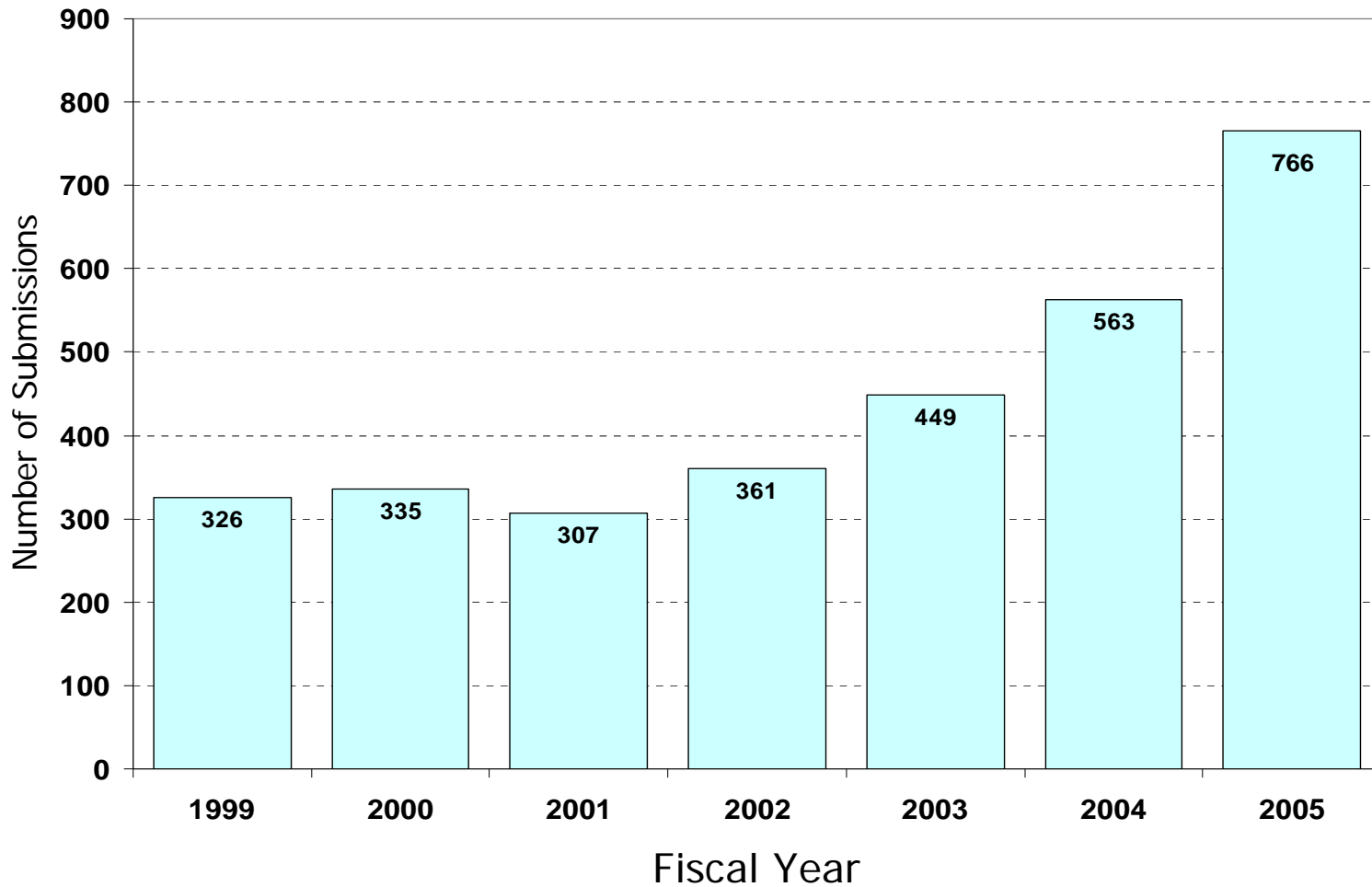
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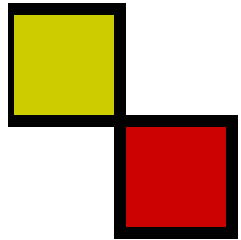
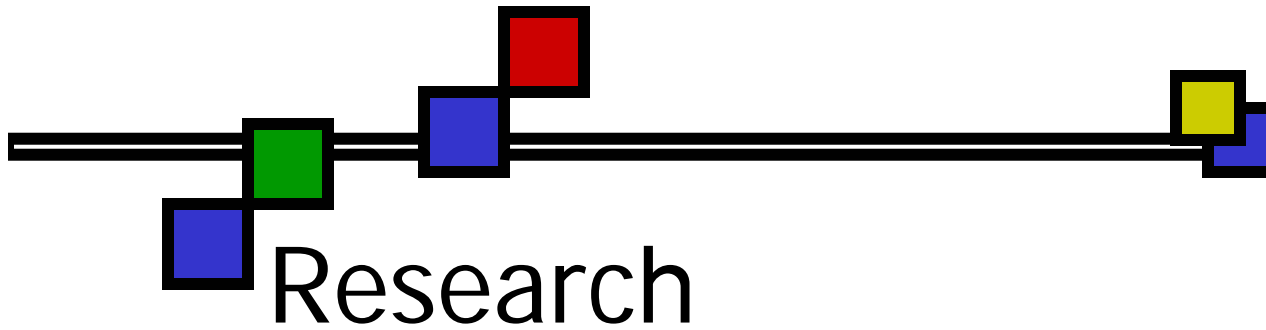
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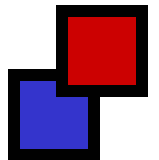
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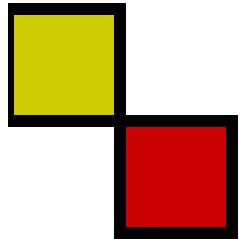


- Ongoing topics
 - Skin Stripping Methods
 - Inhaled Corticosteroids
 - Bioequivalence of Locally Acting GI Drug
 - Extension of Bio Waivers
- Limitations expected in the future





Application Review Backlogs



■ Chemistry

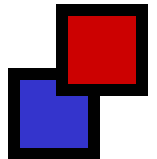
■ Div I - ~122 days Div II - ~145 days

Div III - ~121 days

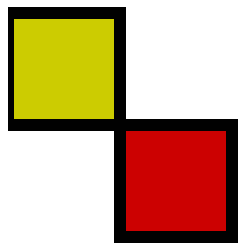
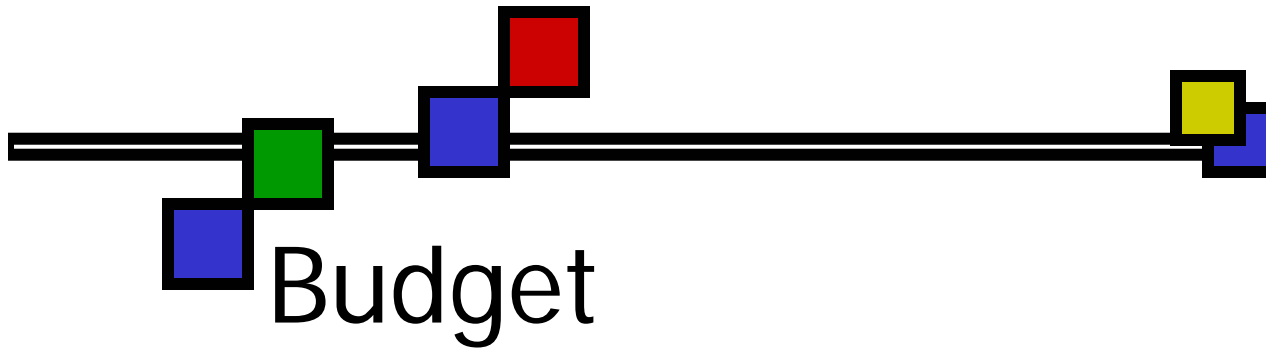
■ Bioequivalence ~450 days

■ Clinical ~360 days

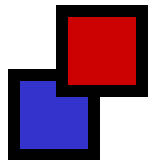
■ Microbiology ~530 days

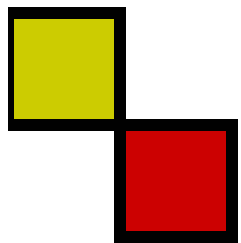
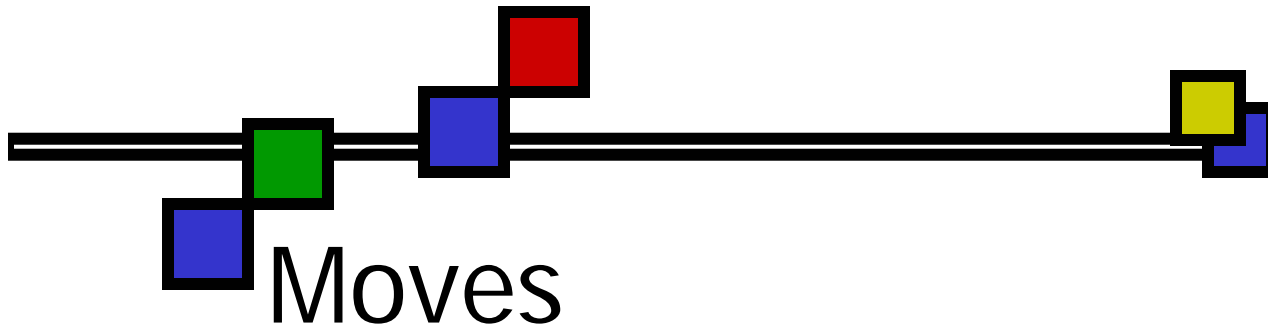


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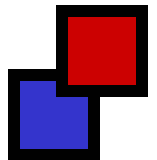


- Review of generic drugs remains a high priority for the agency
- 2006
 - 10 additional FTEs were given to OGD on January 27, 2006
 - *Washington Post* article - February 4, 2006
- 2007
 - Uncertain

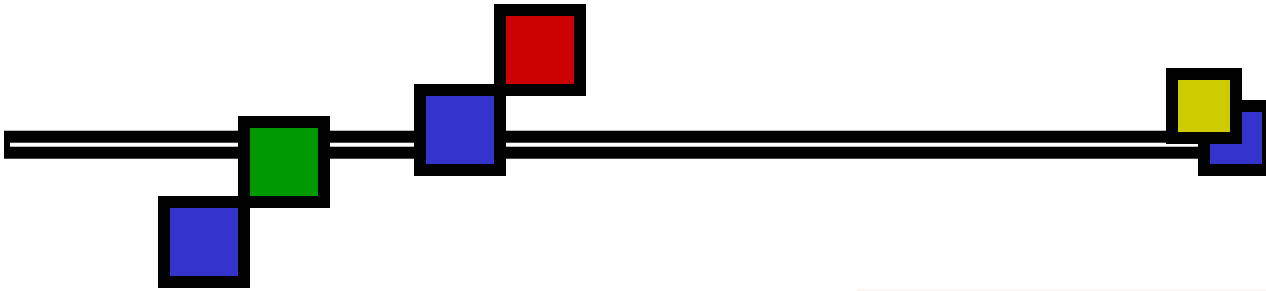




- OGD is still projected to move to White Oak within the next 2 years
- OGD Immediate Office has moved to 7519 Standish Place (MPN4)
- OGD received a conference room in MPN4 that can seat about 200



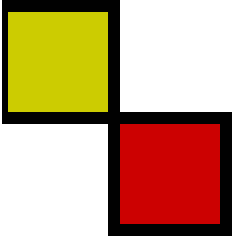
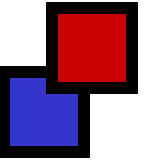
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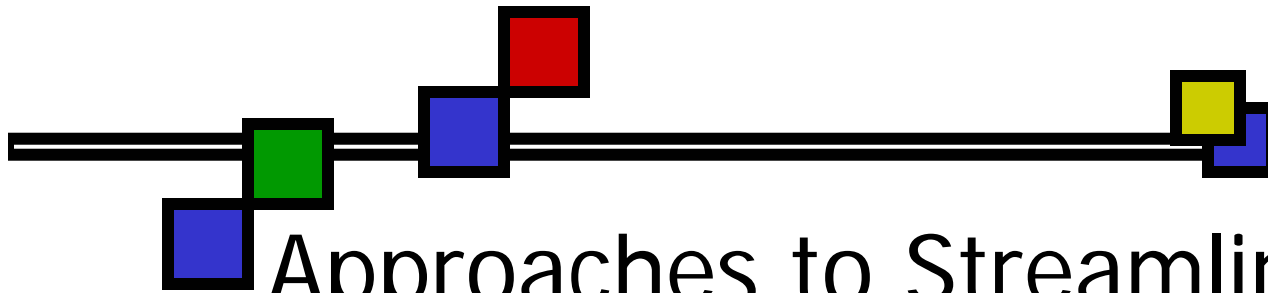


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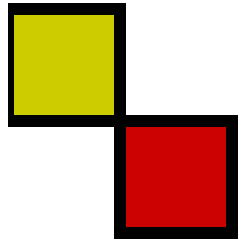


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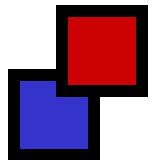
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- Full utilization of telephone communication whenever possible
 - Emphasis on fewer review cycles
 - Continued use of enhancements, e.g.:
 - Early DMF review
 - Early dissolution review
 - Clustered application reviews
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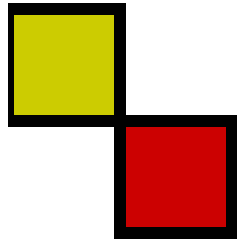


- Internet access to dissolution and bioequivalence information (frees up reviewer time)
- Adoption of Question based Review and CTD format for ANDAs
 - Is a learning curve for industry and OGD
 - Potential to decrease supplement workload

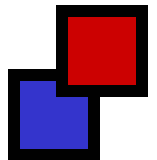


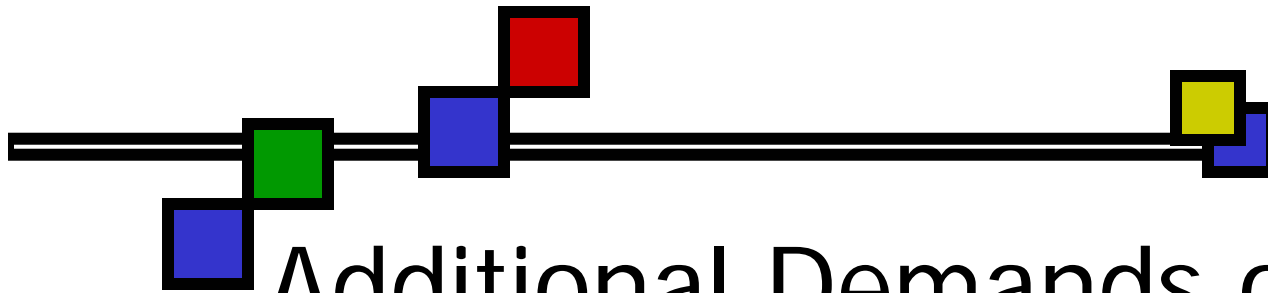


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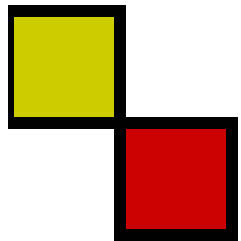


- Possible use of secure e-mail to communicate
- Revision of first-in, first-reviewed policy to utilize review expertise

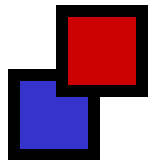




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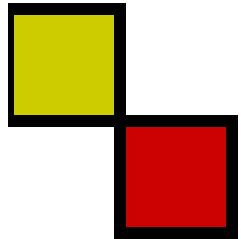


- President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR)
- Structured Product Labeling Review
- Response to requests for information (over 1,550 received in 2005)

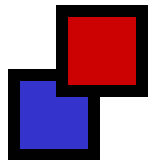


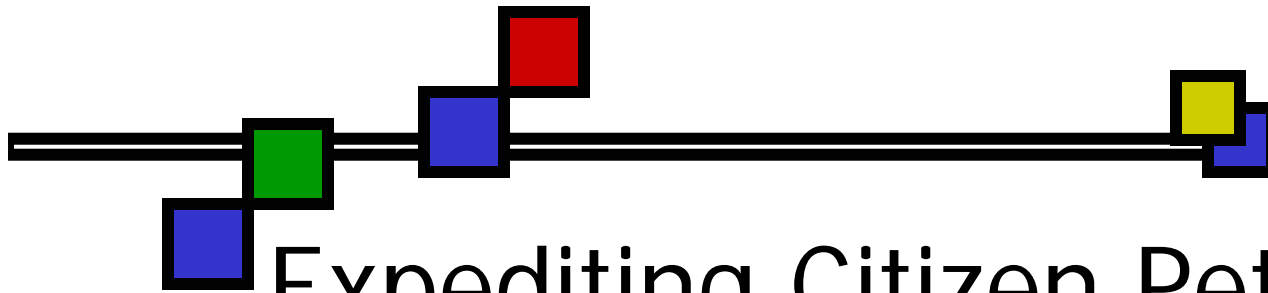


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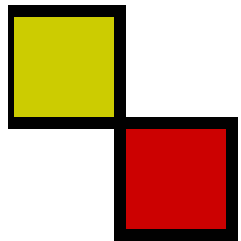


- Inactive Ingredient issues causing RTR are on the decline
- Bioequivalence issues or multiple deficiencies (> 3) on the rise
- Multiple deficiencies appear to correlate with firms with few ANDAs

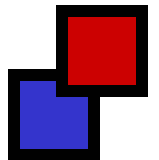


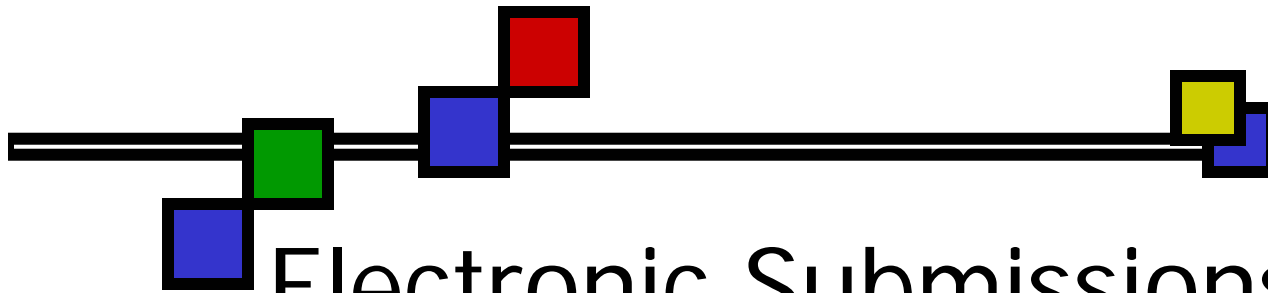


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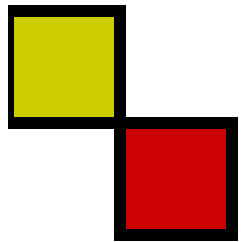


- Office of Regulatory Policy (CDER) increasing early interaction and more directed questions
- Early meetings to discuss complex or controversial petitions
- Regular discussion of priorities
- Setting of goal dates
- Utilization of the OGD Scientific Staff

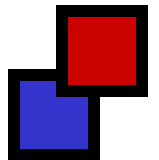


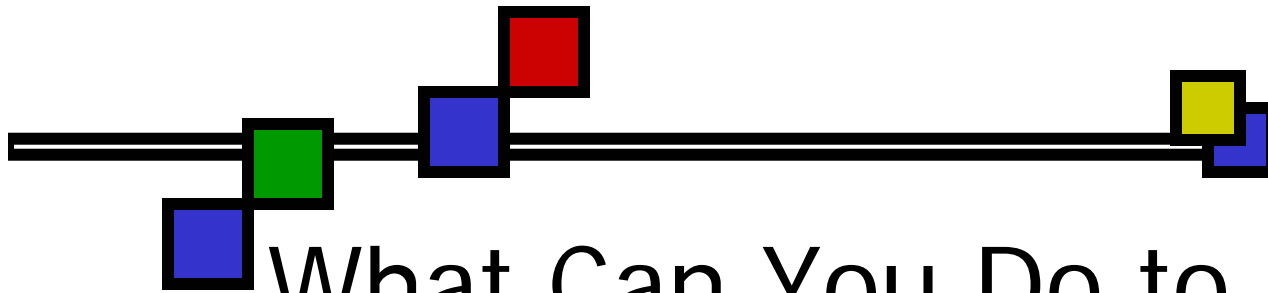


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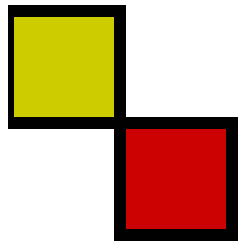


- Analysis of receipts of originals from Sep to Dec 2005
 - 268 ANDAs with accompanying e-submission
 - Represents 77 firms
 - 15 ANDAs were fully electronic
 - Represents 6 firms
 - 6% - but still an improvement!
 - Remainder were partial, i.e., BE & Labeling

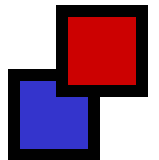


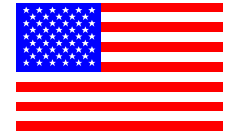
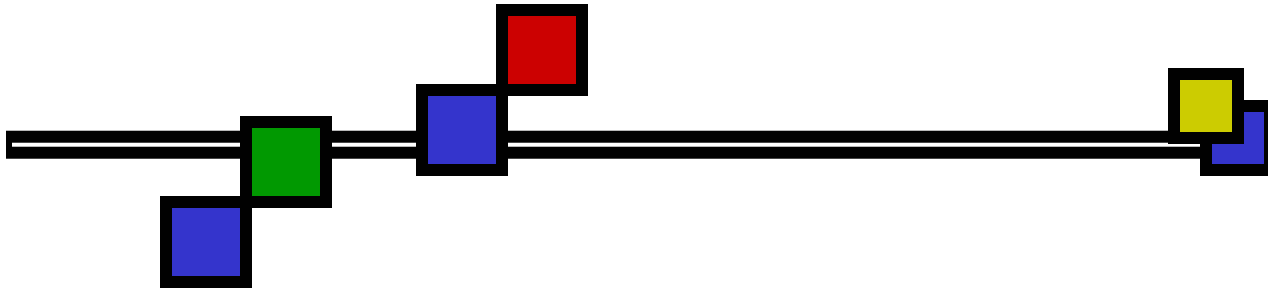


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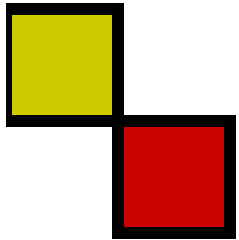


- Complete applications with background of full development work
- Use the available information from the Internet
 - Dissolution
 - Bioequivalence information
 - Guidances
- Respond in a ***timely*** manner to prevent multiple cycles

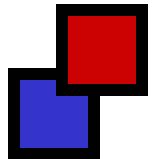




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