

**Exubera® (insulin [rDNA origin] powder for inhalation  
NDA 21-868  
Advisory Committee Questions  
September 8, 2005**

1. **Efficacy in type 1 diabetes:** Is there sufficient clinical trial evidence that Exubera® can be effectively applied to an “intensive” glycemic control regimen?
2. **Efficacy in type 2 diabetes:** Has the efficacy of Exubera® been adequately assessed in patients with Type 2 diabetes?
3. **Hypoglycemia:** Has the safety of Exubera® regarding hypoglycemia been adequately assessed?
  - a. In Type 1 diabetes in “intensive” control regimens?
  - b. In Type 2 diabetes?
4. **Pulmonary effects:**
  - a. Are there sufficient data to assess the pulmonary safety of Exubera® in patients without underlying lung disease?
    - i. If yes, do the data suggest an acceptable pulmonary safety profile in patients without underlying lung disease?
    - ii. If no, what additional information is needed?
  - b. Are there sufficient data to assess the pulmonary safety of Exubera® in patients with underlying lung disease?
    - i. If yes, do the data suggest an acceptable pulmonary safety profile in patients with underlying lung disease?
    - ii. If no, what additional information is needed?
5. **Comments/discussion:**
  - a. Comment on clinical concerns and recommendations about the use of Exubera in the setting of pulmonary pathology or exogenous factors affecting pulmonary function:
    - i. Viral upper respiratory infection
    - ii. Asthma
    - iii. COPD
    - iv. Smoking
  - b. Comment on clinical concerns and recommendations regarding dose adjustment (titration) and switching between inhaled and subcutaneous insulin.
  - c. Other issues
6. **Should Exubera® be approved for the proposed indications?**
  - a. Type 1 diabetes
  - b. Type 2 diabetes as monotherapy, in combination with basal insulin, in combination with oral agents
7. **Additional investigations:** What, if any, recommendations does the committee have for additional investigations of Exubera®?