MEMORANDUM

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Bioequivalence Issues

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Introduction

- Disclaimer
 - Presentation of "current thinking"
 - Not a presentation of new policy
- Organization of Division
- Workflow

Current Issues

- Application Quality
- Overages
- E-mail Correspondence
- Parenteral Q & Q Issues
- Combination Topicals
- Flavors & Colors

Application Quality

- Good Study Summary
 - Manufacturing dates
 - Lot #s lot sizes
 - T and R expiration dates
 - Content uniformity/potency with RSD
 - Clinical study dates
 - Analytical dates
 - Long-term storage stability
 - Plasma level tables

Application Quality (continued)

- Complete Dissolution Information
- List of Components & Composition
- Glossary of Terms and Numbering Systems
- Proper Tabbing
- Electronic Submissions
 - Information should be consistent with paper copy
 - DBE now has "automatic" review template generation

Overages

- Sponsors sometimes put overages in biobatch
- OGD Chemists often urge sponsors to remove overage in marketed product
- In theory some marketed products might not be BE to RLD
- Advise sponsors to avoid overages

E-mail Correspondence

- Currently not encouraged
- Follow-up with written correspondence
- Include regular mailing address in e-mail

Flavors & Colors

- Identify flavors used in products
- If flavor or color formula has been used before in another product
 - Greater than or equal to proposed product
 - Less than proposed product
- If new flavor or color or used in amount greater than approved product
 - Submit formula and amounts of all components
 - Submit any tox information on components

Topical Combination Products

- Each component must show BE
- Example: combination antifungal and corticosteroid
 - BE study with clinical end-points for antifungal
 - Multi-point blanching BE study for the steroid component

Parenterals - Q & Q