

Draft Guidance on Fentanyl

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Active Ingredient: Fentanyl

Dosage Form; Route: Film, Extended Release; Transdermal

Recommended Studies: Three studies

1. Type of study: Bioequivalence (BE) with Pharmacokinetic (PK) Endpoints Study
Design: Single-dose, two-treatment, two-period crossover in vivo
Strength: 25 mcg/hr
Subjects: Healthy males and non-pregnant, non-lactating females, general population.
Additional comments: A naltrexone blockade should be used to reduce the risk of opioid-related adverse events. Naltrexone should be administered well in advance of dosing to achieve adequate blockade of opioid receptors. The most common approach is to administer 50 mg of naltrexone at the following times: (1) 12 hours prior to dosing; (2) at the time of study drug dosing; and (3) 12 hours after the last dose of study drug. The transdermal patch should be applied on the chest, back, flank or upper arm, as recommended in the approved reference listed drug (RLD) labeling, and worn for 72 hours. The same anatomical site should be used for the entire study. Adequate skin contact is essential for the in vivo performance of the transdermal patch and the PK may be altered when a transdermal patch loses its adherence to the skin. Therefore, the adhesion of each transdermal patch should be monitored and recorded throughout the PK study. The PK samples should be collected and analyzed from all subjects at all sampling times regardless of the adhesion scores of the patch. Overlays should not be used during the study.

2. Type of study: Adhesion Study
Design: Single-dose, two-treatment, two period crossover in vivo
Strength: 25 mcg/hr
Subjects: Healthy males and non-pregnant, non-lactating females, general population
Additional comments: See comments above for use of naltrexone blockade to reduce the risk of any opioid related adverse events during the study.
The sponsor may elect to evaluate the PK BE (study 1) and the adhesion (study 2) in a single multi-purpose study or in independent studies. In either case, studies should be adequately powered to evaluate the BE with appropriately selected PK endpoints, and independently, the comparative assessment of adhesion.

The sponsor should follow FDA's current thinking in the guidance "Assessing Adhesion with Transdermal Delivery Systems and Topical Patches for ANDAs" for the design and conduct of the independent adhesion study or the multi-purpose study to evaluate both the PK BE and adhesion.

3. Type of study: Skin Irritation and Sensitization Study
Design: Randomized, evaluator-blinded, in vivo, within-subject repeat test
Strength: vehicle patch and positive control (patches containing active pharmaceutical ingredient should not be used in this study due to safety concerns)
Subjects: Healthy males and non-pregnant, non-lactating females, general population.
Additional comments: Specific recommendations are provided below. Adequate skin contact is essential for maximal induction of irritation and sensitization and it may be altered when a patch loses its adherence to the skin. Therefore, the adhesion of each patch should be monitored and recorded throughout the irritation and sensitization study. Any loss of adhesion that develops due to skin irritation or sensitization should be evaluated.
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Analytes to measure (in appropriate biological fluid): Fentanyl in plasma (PK-based BE study only)

Bioequivalence based on (90% CI): Fentanyl in plasma (PK-based BE study only)

Waiver request of in vivo testing: 12.5 mcg/hr, 50 mcg/hr, 75 mcg/hr, and 100 mcg/hr based on (i) acceptable bioequivalence studies on the 25 mcg/hr strength, (ii) proportionally similar 12.5 mcg/hr, 50 mcg/hr, 75 mcg/hr, and 100 mcg/hr formulations to the 25 mcg/hr strength, and (iii) acceptable in vitro dissolution testing of all strengths.

Dissolution test method and sampling times: The dissolution information for this drug product can be found on the FDA-Recommended Dissolution Methods web site, available to the public at the following location: <http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/scripts/cder/dissolution/>. Conduct comparative dissolution testing on 12 dosage units each of all strengths of the test and reference products. Specifications will be determined upon review of the abbreviated new drug application (ANDA).

In addition to the method above, for transdermal system, dissolution profiles on 12 dosage units each of test and reference products generated using USP apparatuses for transdermal systems in at least three dissolution media (pH 1.2, 4.5 and 6.8 buffer) should be submitted in the application. Multipoint dissolution profiles should be obtained using a discriminating agitation speed. Agitation speeds may have to be increased if appropriate. It is acceptable to add a small amount of surfactant, if necessary. Please include early sampling times of 0.5, 1, 2, and 4 hours and continue every 2 hours until at least 80% of the drug is released, to provide assurance against premature release of drug (dose dumping) from the formulation.

Additional comments regarding the skin irritation and sensitization study:

1. Because safety concerns preclude the usual comparative studies, generic fentanyl transdermal systems are to be evaluated for skin irritation and sensitization by testing a vehicle patch versus a positive control patch that produces mild irritation (e.g., 0.1% sodium lauryl sulfate or lower concentration). Use of a negative control patch (e.g., normal saline) is optional. The vehicle patch should have all of the inactive ingredients and be identical to the proposed product in every manner except for the absence of fentanyl.
2. An analysis of information from a literature search and any other available information regarding the incidence of contact sensitization and skin reactions to fentanyl transdermal systems is also requested to support that the proposed product is not likely to produce any greater degree of irritation or higher rate of sensitization than that observed with use of the RLD. The rate of sensitization to the vehicle patch should be no worse than the rate of sensitization reported with the RLD.
3. The OGD recommends evaluating skin irritation and sensitization in a single study. To support approval, the vehicle patch should be no more irritating than the positive control and be no more sensitizing than the RLD according to literature reports or other data sources. Each parameter is to be evaluated with a separate analysis. The primary endpoints should be considered as co-primary endpoints, e.g., for each of them, the study should demonstrate that the vehicle patch is no worse than the positive control. The analysis for each parameter and the primary endpoint(s) and any secondary endpoint(s) for each analysis are to be clearly defined in the protocol prior to the start of the study. A clear, objective definition of a sensitization reaction is also to be prespecified in the protocol.
4. The recommended study consists of two phases, a 21-day Induction Phase, followed by a 14 to 17 day rest period, and a Challenge Phase.

During the Induction Phase, all test articles (i.e., vehicle patch, positive control of low irritancy and optional negative control) are to be applied simultaneously to each subject on the chest, back, flank or upper arm at different sites, with sequential patch applications to the same skin sites every three days (the intended duration of wear) for a total of 21 consecutive days. Thus, it is recommended to apply the patches on Days 1, 4, 7, 10, 13, 16 and 19 to the same sites and to have each of them remain in place for 3 days (a total of 21 days altogether). The Day 19 patches would be removed on Day 22. The irritation evaluation is to be conducted during the Induction Phase, with assessment of “Dermal Response” and “Other Effects” at the time of each patch change.

The Challenge Phase consists of a single 48-hour application of the vehicle patch and the optional negative control to a naïve site followed by an assessment of “Dermal Response” and “Other Effects” at 30 minutes and at 24, 48, and 72 hours after challenge patch removal, with a narrative description of any reactions observed, together with the opinion of the investigator as to whether such reactions are felt to be indicative of a contact sensitization. A re-challenge test four to eight weeks following the original challenge, conducted in the same manner, is recommended for all subjects with a potential sensitization reaction.

Adhesion should be monitored and recorded prior to patch removal and throughout the entire study period to ensure adequate skin contact for maximal induction of irritation and sensitization.

5. An adequate number of subjects should be enrolled to ensure that at least 200 evaluable subjects are included in the PP population.
6. The irritation and adhesive properties may be sensitive to climate conditions. Therefore, the OGD prefers that the study be conducted in multiple centers with different climate conditions.
7. Subjects should not apply make-up, creams, lotions, powders, alcohol or other topical products to the skin area where the patch will be placed, as this could affect adhesive performance or irritation potential. Hair at the application site should be clipped (not shaved) prior to patch application.
8. Assignment of the vehicle patch, positive control, and optional negative control to skin sites should be randomized. The method of randomization should be described in the protocol. It is recommended that an independent third party generate and hold the randomization code throughout the conduct of the study in order to minimize bias. A sealed copy of the randomization scheme should be retained at the study site and should be available to FDA investigators at the time of site inspection to allow for verification of the treatment identity for each application site on each subject.
9. Inclusion Criteria (the sponsor may add additional criteria):
Healthy male and non-pregnant, non-lactating female subjects 18-65 years of age inclusive.
10. Exclusion Criteria (the sponsor may add additional criteria):
 - a. Taking antihistamines within 72 hours prior to dosing or systemic or topical corticosteroids within 3 weeks prior to dosing.
 - b. Subject is pregnant or lactating.
 - c. Medical history of significant dermatologic diseases or conditions, such as atopy, psoriasis, vitiligo or conditions known to alter skin appearance or physiologic response (e.g. diabetes, porphyria).
 - d. History of significant dermatologic cancers (e.g. melanoma, squamous cell carcinoma), except basal cell carcinomas that were superficial and did not involve the investigative site.
 - e. Subject has an obvious difference in skin color between arms or the presence of a skin condition, excessive hair at the application sites, scar tissue, tattoo, or coloration that would interfere with placement of test articles, skin assessment, or reactions to drug.
 - f. Presence of open sores at the application site.
11. Provide a listing of the prescription and over-the-counter drug products that are contraindicated during the study, such as:

Use of medications or treatments that would significantly influence or exaggerate responses to the test product or that would alter inflammatory or immune response to the product (e.g. antihistamines, systemic or topical corticosteroids, cyclosporine, tacrolimus, cytotoxic drugs, immune globulin, Bacillus Calmette-Guerin (BCG), monoclonal antibodies, radiation therapy).

12. During the induction phase, subjects should return for visits every three days on Days 4, 7, 10, 13, 16, 19 for adhesion scoring, patch removal, irritation scoring and patch replacement and on Day 22 for adhesion scoring, patch removal and irritation scoring. After wearing the challenge patch for 48 hours (or until removal due to intolerable reaction), subjects should return for adhesion scoring, patch removal and irritation scoring at 30 minutes and at 24, 48, and 72 hours after challenge patch removal. Scoring of patch adherence and skin reactions should be performed by a trained and blinded observer at each patch removal. All efforts should be made to ensure that the same scorer is used for all observations. If the same scorer is not used in all cases, inter-scorer variability needs to be addressed in the protocol, specifying the training of scorers and standards for each score.
13. To ensure adequate adhesion of the vehicle patch, positive control and optional negative control in the study, adhesion scores are to be recorded just prior to patch removal. The recommended scoring system for adhesion of transdermal patches is indicated as follows:

0 = \geq 90% adhered (essentially no lift off the skin)
1 = \geq 75% to < 90% adhered (some lifting off the skin, e.g., edges only)
2 = \geq 50% to < 75% adhered (less than half of the patch lifting off the skin)
3 = > 0% to < 50% adhered but not detached (more than half of the patch lifting off the skin without falling off)
4 = 0% adhered - patch detached (patch completely off the skin)
14. Efforts should be made to blind the evaluation of irritation and sensitization.
15. During both the Induction Phase and Challenge Phase, the skin reactions are to be evaluated and scored according to the following two scales¹:

¹ Berger RS and JP Bowman. A reappraisal of the 21-day cumulative irritation test in man. *J. Toxicol.-Cut. & Ocular Toxicol.* 1982; 1 (2); 109-115.

Scale 1: Dermal Response

Skin Appearance	Score
No evidence of irritation	0
Minimal erythema, barely perceptible	1
Definite erythema, readily visible; minimal edema or minimal papular response	2
Erythema and papules	3
Definite edema	4
Erythema, edema, and papules	5
Vesicular eruption	6
Strong reaction spreading beyond the application site.	7

Scale 2: Other Effects

Observation	Score (Numeric equivalent)
Slightly glazed appearance	A (0)
Marked glazed appearance	B (1)
Glazing with peeling and cracking	C (2)
Glazing with fissures	F (3)
Film of dried serous exudates covering all or part of the patch site	G (3)
Small petechial erosions and/or scabs	H (3)

When an “Other Effects” score is observed, each score should be reported as a number and letter combination score and also as a numerical total (i.e. numerical “Dermal Response” score + numeric equivalent for the “Other Effects” lettered score).

16. For subjects who experience irritation consistent with a combined score of ≥ 3 , or who experience symptomatic intolerable irritation, the patch may be moved to a new site in order to complete the 21-day Induction Phase and continue with the sensitization part of the study. In this circumstance the highest score observed (not truncated to 3) prior to discontinuation of the first patch site should be carried forward for all remaining observations in the irritation analysis.
17. If a patch completely detaches, it should be replaced within 24 hours and the subject should continue in the study. During the 21-day Induction Phase, if a patch is completely detached for more than 24 hours (unless the patch was removed for an unacceptable degree of irritation), the subject should be excluded from both the irritation and sensitization analyses for that product. During the 48-hr Challenge Phase, if a patch is completely detached for more than 24 hours, the subject should be excluded from the sensitization analysis. The subject should note the date and time of detachment as soon as it occurs. Whereas this study can not be used for a definitive assessment of adhesion performance of the active product, criteria may be established for using tape or an overlay to reinforce any patches that are lifting during the irritation and sensitization

study. If the patch is reinforced with tape or an overlay, skin irritation associated with the tape or overlay area should be reported separately from that of the patch application area.

Safety Data and Analyses

18. All application site reactions are to be reported in the data tables and in the detailed narrative description for each subject's response in both phases of this study in the study report. These would include patient complaints such as dryness, itching, burning, pain, or soreness, etc., identifying to which application site the complaint applies. These reports are to be compared between test articles.
19. The safety analyses should include all patients who received a dose of study medication. Safety analyses should include comparing the vehicle patch, positive control, and optional negative control with regard to the occurrence and severity of application site adverse events (AEs). Systemic drug-related AEs and concomitant medications are also to be reported but cannot be distinguished between test articles.

Skin Irritation Data Tables and Analyses

20. For each day during the Induction Phase when the skin is evaluated for irritation, please provide a frequency table showing the number of applications of each test article with each combined "Dermal Response" and "Other Effect" score, using Last Observation Carried Forward for subjects who discontinued a test article because of unacceptable irritation. Please refer to Table 1 as an example.

Table 1: Number (%) of Applications by Induction Phase Day and Test Article with a Specific Combined "Dermal Response" and "Other Effect" Score

Induction Phase Scoring Day; Test Article	Combined "Dermal Response" and "Other Effect" Score										
	0	1	2	2A	2B	3	3A	3B	3C	3F	etc.
Day 4; Vehicle Patch											
Day 4; Positive Control											
Day 4; Negative Control (optional)											
Day 7; Vehicle Patch											
Day 7; Positive Control											
Day 7; Negative Control (optional)											
etc.											

21. The Analysis Populations should be defined separately for each parameter and should be defined per patch instead of per subject. The Per-Protocol (PP) Population for evaluation of skin irritation should be defined as follows:

Irritation Analysis– the test articles need to be applied sequentially to the same site for the entire 21 day induction phase (without any period of detachment longer than 24 hours) to be evaluated for the cumulative irritation effect OR if a patch is moved or removed due to excessive irritation, it should be included using Last Observation Carried Forward (LOCF).

22. For each test article (vehicle patch, positive control and optional negative control), the mean cumulative irritation score is to be calculated as the sum of all combined “Dermal Response” and “Other Effects” scores observed at each observation divided by the total number of observations.
23. In addition to the cumulative irritation scores, the following data should be provided for each test article:
 - a. Total number of observations with a combined “Dermal Response” and “Other Effects” irritation score of 3 or more for each product.
 - b. Number of patches that were moved or removed due to an unacceptable degree of irritation.
 - c. Number of days until sufficient irritation occurred to preclude repeat application to the same site.
24. To demonstrate non-inferiority of the vehicle patch compared to the positive control with regard to the cumulative irritation scores, the upper bound of the one-sided 95% CI of the mean vehicle patch score minus 1.25 times the mean positive control score should be less than or equal to 0. For the irritation evaluation, the OGD also considers other clinically relevant data including the number of applications that reach a maximal irritation score and the number of subjects that discontinue the product applications because of unacceptable irritation.

The same mean cumulative score could be reached with a small number of high scores (e.g., ≥ 3) as with a larger number of low scores (e.g., 1, which are of little clinical significance). Thus, it is difficult to determine the clinical meaningfulness of a given cumulative score or a given difference between products with regard to mean cumulative scores. Therefore, in addition to cumulative scores, it is necessary to also evaluate the proportion of subjects with a meaningful degree of irritation for each product. The proportion of subjects with a meaningful degree of irritation should be no higher for the test product than for the RLD, and irritation should not occur earlier in the application period for the test than for the RLD. To be approved, the test product should be non-inferior with regard to cumulative irritation scores and also show no meaningful difference with regard to degree of irritation.

Sensitization Data Tables and Analyses

25. Please provide a frequency table showing the number of applications of each test article during the Challenge Phase with a specific combined “Dermal Response” numerical score and “Other Effect” letter score by each evaluation time point.
26. For all subjects with at least one combined score of 2 or more at 48 or 72 hours after patch removal in the Challenge Phase, please provide a table showing the actual scores for each subject at each evaluation time point during the Induction and Challenge Phases.
27. The Analysis Populations should be defined separately for each parameter and should be defined per patch instead of per subject. The Per-Protocol (PP) Population evaluation of

sensitization should be defined as follows:

Sensitization Analysis – includes all test articles worn (without any period of detachment longer than 24 hours) for the full 21 day induction phase AND the entire 48-hour challenge phase AND the subject should return for at least one of the scheduled evaluations at 48 and 72 hours after removal of the challenge patch. If a test article is removed prior to the end of the 48-hour challenge phase due to an intolerable reaction, the application site should be evaluated at 24, 48, and 72 hours after patch removal and be included in the sensitization analysis using LOCF.

28. For each test article, individually evaluate each Per Protocol subject with a combined score of 2 or greater at 48 or 72 hours after patch removal during the Challenge Phase for potential sensitization. A narrative description of each reaction in the challenge phase should be provided, together with the opinion of the investigator as to whether such reactions are felt to be indicative of a contact sensitization. Consider a subject to be potentially sensitized if all of the following criteria are met:
- a. The subject has at least one evaluation occurring at more than 24 hours (e.g., at 48 or 72 hours) after the removal of the Challenge Phase patch.
 - b. The subject has a combined “Dermal Response” and “Other Effects” numeric score of at least 2 at their last evaluation during the Challenge Phase.
 - c. The combined “Dermal Response” and “Other Effects” numeric scores obtained during the Challenge Phase evaluations are generally higher than the combined “Dermal Response” and “Other Effects” numeric scores obtained during the Induction Phase.
 - d. If the subject completed a Rechallenge Phase, the above 3 criteria were met during both the Challenge Phase and the Rechallenge Phase.

Scores that resolve before 48 hours are generally considered to be due to irritation instead of sensitization. Provide the total number of subjects considered sensitized to the vehicle patch.

29. The sponsor should provide descriptive statistics comparing the proportion of subjects sensitized or potentially sensitized to each test article.

Adhesion Data Table

30. To ensure adequate skin contact for maximal induction of irritation and sensitization, please provide a frequency table showing the adhesion score for each vehicle patch per study visit. For patches that fall off, provide information about the duration of patch wear before the patch falls off.

Data Submission

31. Study data should be submitted to the OGD in electronic format.
- a. A list of file names, with a simple description of the content of each file, should be included.

- b. Please provide a “pdf” document with a detailed description of the codes that are used for each variable in each of the SAS datasets (for example, Y=yes, N=no for analysis population).
 - c. All SAS transport files should include .xpt as the file extension and should not be compressed. A simple SAS program to open the data transport files and SAS files should be included.
 - d. Primary data sets should consist of two data sets: No Last Observation Carried Forward (NO-LOCF-pure data set) and Last Observation Carried Forward (LOCF-modified data set).
 - e. Please provide a separate dataset for each study to include such variables as demographics, baseline admission criteria, baseline vital signs, adverse events, reasons for discontinuation of treatment, concomitant medications, medical history, compliance and comments, etc.
32. Please provide a summary dataset containing a separate line listing for each test article per subject (if data exist) using the following headings, if applicable:
- a. Study identifier
 - b. Subject identifier
 - c. Site identifier: study center
 - d. Age
 - e. Age units (years)
 - f. Sex
 - g. Race
 - h. Name of Actual Treatment (exposure): test article (i.e., vehicle patch, positive control, optional negative control)
 - i. Location of Dose Administration: patch application site
 - j. Duration of Treatment (total exposure in days) during Induction Phase: time from first application to discontinuation of test article during Induction Phase
 - k. Duration of Treatment (total exposure in days) during Challenge Phase: time from first application to discontinuation of test article during Challenge Phase
 - l. Per Protocol (PP) population inclusion for irritation analysis (yes/no)
 - m. Reason for exclusion from PP population for irritation analysis
 - n. PP population inclusion for sensitization analysis (yes/no)
 - o. Reason for exclusion from PP population for sensitization analysis
 - p. Test article moved (yes/no)
 - q. Number of times test article moved
 - r. Test article discontinued (yes/no)
 - s. Reason for test article discontinuation
 - t. Adverse event(s) reported for this treatment arm (yes/no)

Please refer to Table 2 as an example. This sample table may contain additional information not applicable to your study and/or it may not contain all information applicable to your study.

Table 2: Example of a summary dataset for each individual test article per subject

STUDYID	SUBJID	SITEID	AGE	AGEU	SEX	RACE	EXTRT	EXLOC	EXDURind	EXDURch	ppirr	ppirr_rs	ppsen	ppsen_rs	mv	mv_n	dis	dis_rs	AErpt
101	1	01	54	YEARS	M	1	A	RUB	21	2	Y		Y		Y	1	N		N
101	1	01	54	YEARS	M	1	B	LUB	21	2	Y		Y		Y	1	N		N
101	1	01	54	YEARS	M	1	C	RMB	21	2	Y		Y		N		N		N
101	2	01	45	YEARS	M	2	A	RUB	21	2	Y		N	B	N		N		N
101	2	01	45	YEARS	M	2	B	LUB	21	2	Y		N	B	N		N		N
101	2	01	45	YEARS	M	2	C	RMB	21	2	Y		N	B	N		N		N

Note: Capitalized headings are from Clinical Data Interchange Standards Consortium (CDISC) Study Data Tabulation Model (SDTM) Implementation Guide (IG) for Human Clinical Trials V3.1.2 Final dated 11/12/08.

STUDYID: Study Identifier

SUBJID: Subject Identifier for the Study

SITEID: Study Site Identifier

AGE: Age

AGEU: Age units (years)

SEX: Sex, e.g., M=Male, F=Female, U=Unknown

RACE: Race, e.g., 1=White, 2=Black or African American, 3=Asian, 4=American Indian or Alaska Native, 5=Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islanders

EXTRT: Name of Actual Treatment (exposure), e.g., A=vehicle patch, B=positive control, C=optional negative control

EXLOC: Location of Dose Administration (exposure): specific anatomical site of patch application, e.g., RUB= right upper back, LUB=left upper back, RMB=right mid back

EXDURind: Duration of Treatment during Induction Phase (exposure in days; 21 days exposure planned during Induction Phase)

EXDURch: Duration of Treatment during Challenge Phase (exposure in days; 2 days exposure planned during Challenge Phase)

ppirr: Per Protocol (PP) population for irritation analysis, e.g., Y=Yes, N=No

ppirr_rs: Reason for exclusion from PP population for irritation analysis, e.g., A=prematurely discontinued prior to completing irritation phase due to AE that was not intolerable irritation, B=failed to complete irritation phase due to lost to follow-up, C=failed to complete irritation phase due to subject moved out of the area, etc.

ppsen: PP population for sensitization analysis, e.g., Y=Yes, N=No

ppsen_rs: Reason for exclusion from PP population for sensitization analysis, e.g., A=prematurely discontinued prior to completing challenge phase due to AE that was not intolerable irritation, B=failed to return for at least one of the two challenge visits at 48 and 72 hours, etc.

mv: Test article moved, e.g., Y=Yes, N=No

mv_n: Number of times test article was moved, e.g., 1, 2, 3, etc.

dis: Discontinuation of the test article, e.g., Y=Yes, N=No

dis_rs: Reason for test article discontinuation, e.g., A=irritation, etc.
 AEcpt: Adverse event(s) reported for this treatment arm, e.g., Y=Yes, N=No

33. For the Irritation and Sensitization Analyses, please provide a separate line listing for each individual test article per subject, per each visit (if data exist) using the following headers, if applicable:
- Subject identifier
 - Treatment: test article (i.e., vehicle patch, positive control, optional negative control)
 - Application Sequence: number of particular test article application (i.e., 1=first, 2=second, 3=third)
 - Location of Dose Administration: patch application site
 - Visit number
 - Visit date
 - Number of days since baseline visit
 - Application day of week (i.e., Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, etc.)
 - Application date and time
 - Date and time of removal or complete detachment
 - Duration of Treatment: time (hours) from individual test article application to removal or detachment
 - Reason for exclusion of data from this individual test article from analysis
 - Scoring date
 - Induction “Dermal Response” numeric score for each site
 - Induction “Other Effects” letter score for each site
 - Challenge “Dermal Response” numeric score for the site
 - Challenge “Other Effects” letter score for the site
 - Potentially sensitized (yes/no)
 - Identity of the evaluator
 - Individual test article moved (yes/no)
 - Number of times individual test article moved
 - Date of each move of individual test article
 - Individual test article discontinued (yes/no)
 - Reason for discontinuation
 - Date individual test article discontinued
 - Adverse event reported during this visit (yes/no)

Please refer to Table 3 as an example. This sample table may contain additional information not applicable to your study and/or it may not contain all information applicable to your study.

Table 3: Example of dataset containing one line listing for each individual test article per visit per subject

SUBJID	EXTRT	EXSEQ	EXLOC	VISITNUM	SVSTDTC	ELTMBS	day_wk	itaSTDTC	itaENDTC	itaDUR	exc_rs	scr_date	ind_n1	ind_c1
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SUBJID	EXTRT	EXSEQ	EXLOC	VISITNUM	SVSTDTC	ELTMBS	day_wk	itaSTDTC	itaENDTC	itaDUR	exc_rs	scr_date	ind_n1	ind_c1
1	A	1	RUB	1	2004-07-01	1	Monday							

ind_n2	ind_c2	ind_n3	ind_c3	ch_n1	ch_c1	ptsens	EVAL	mv	mv_n	mv_dt1	mv_dt2	mv_dt3	dis	dis_rs	dis_dt	AErpt

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SUBJID:	Subject Identifier for the Study
EXTRT:	Name of Actual Treatment (exposure), e.g. A=vehicle patch, B=positive control, C=optional negative control
EXSEQ:	Sequence Number of exposure to particular test article (e.g. application number 1, 2, 3, etc.)
EXLOC:	Location of Dose Administration (exposure): specific anatomical site of patch application, e.g., RUB= right upper back, LUB=left upper back, RMB=right mid back
VISITNUM:	Visit Sequence Number
SVSTDTC:	Visit date: (SVSTDTC=Subject Visit Start Date Time-Character)
ELTMBS:	Elapsed Time since Baseline (days)
day_wk:	Day of week of individual test article application (i.e., Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, etc.)
itaSTDTC:	Individual test article application date and time: start date/time of individual test article
itaENDTC:	Individual test article removal date and time: end date/time of individual test article
itaDUR:	Individual test article exposure duration (hours) (i.e., time from individual test article application to removal)
exc_rs:	Reason for exclusion of data from this individual test article from analysis, e.g., A=subject did not show for appointment, B=test article detached for more than 24 hours, C=protocol/exclusion criteria violation, etc.
scr_date:	Scoring date
ind_n1:	Numeric “Dermal Response” score for the first site during Induction
ind_c1:	Character “Other Effects” score for the first site during Induction
ind_n2:	Numeric “Dermal Response” score for the second site (if application site moved due to excessive irritation) during Induction

ind_c2:	Character “Other Effects” score for the second site during Induction
ind_n3:	Numeric “Dermal Response” score for the third site during Induction
ind_c3:	Character “Other Effects” score for the third site during Induction
ch_n1:	Numeric “Dermal Response” score for the Challenge site
ch_c1:	Character “Other Effects” score for the Challenge site
potsens:	Potentially sensitized
EVAL:	Evaluator: identity of the evaluator
mv:	Individual test article moved, e.g., Y=Yes, N=No
mv_n:	Number of times individual test article was moved, e.g., 1, 2, etc.
mv_dt1:	Date of first move of individual test article
mv_dt2:	Date of second move of individual test article
mv_dt3:	Date of third move of individual test article
dis:	Discontinuation of the individual test article, e.g., Y=Yes, N=No
dis_rs:	Reason for individual test article discontinuation, e.g., A=irritation, etc.
dis_dt:	Date individual test article discontinued
AErpt:	Adverse Event reported during this visit, e.g., Y=Yes, N=No

34. Please note that the guidance provided here supersedes information provided in the *Guidance for Industry: Skin Irritation and Sensitization Testing of Generic Transdermal Drug Products*, which has been withdrawn. The information given here is general in nature and represents the current thinking of the OGD for this product and may not be appropriate for other transdermal products.
35. Sponsors may submit the protocol for review and comment prior to conducting the study.