



## Emtriva<sup>®</sup> (emtricitabine)

# Opening or Splitting of Capsules

This document is in response to your request for information regarding the opening or splitting of Emtriva<sup>®</sup> (emtricitabine [FTC]) capsules.

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## Product Label<sup>1</sup>

There is no information in the FTC product labeling about the opening or splitting of FTC capsules; therefore, it is not recommended that FTC be administered as an opened or split capsule.

FTC has a solubility of approximately 112 mg/mL in water at 25°C.

Please refer to the US product labeling for information on FTC as an oral solution.

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## Clinical Data on Opening or Splitting FTC Capsules

### Gilead Data

Opening FTC capsules and adding into a liquid medium has not been studied and is not recommended. Currently, there are no studies evaluating the pharmacokinetics (eg, oral bioavailability) of an opened FTC capsule dispersed into a liquid medium (eg, milk, water, juice) compared with a whole capsule.

Similarly, splitting FTC capsules has not been studied, and it is not recommended. Currently, there is no study evaluating the pharmacokinetics of a split capsule versus a whole capsule.

### Non-Gilead Data

A literature search was conducted in Ovid MEDLINE, BIOSIS Previews, and Embase databases for studies published between 1946 and February 12, 2026, using the search terms emtricitabine and opening, cutting, crushing, splitting capsules, and related search terms. No relevant citations were identified.

Gilead Sciences, Inc. is providing this document to you, a US Healthcare Professional, in response to your unsolicited request for medical information.

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## Reference

1. Enclosed. Gilead Sciences Inc, EMTRIVA® (emtricitabine) capsule for oral use. EMTRIVA (emtricitabine) solution for oral use. US Prescribing Information. Foster City, CA.

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## Product Label

For the full indication, important safety information, and boxed warning(s), please refer to the Emtriva US Prescribing Information available at:

[www.gilead.com/-/media/files/pdfs/medicines/hiv/emtriva/emtriva\\_pi](http://www.gilead.com/-/media/files/pdfs/medicines/hiv/emtriva/emtriva_pi).

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