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# Albendazole Tablets

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## DEFINITION

Albendazole Tablets contain NLT 90.0% and NMT 110.0% of the labeled amount of albendazole ( $C_{12}H_{15}N_3O_2S$ ).

## IDENTIFICATION

- **A. SPECTROSCOPIC IDENTIFICATION TESTS (197), *Ultraviolet-Visible Spectroscopy*:** 197U

**Acidified methanol:** Prepare as directed in *Dissolution Test 1*.

**Standard stock solution and Sample stock solution:** Prepare as directed in the Assay.

**Standard solution:** About 10 µg/mL of albendazole in *Acidified methanol*, from *Standard stock solution*

**Sample solution:** About 10 µg/mL of albendazole in *Acidified methanol*, from *Sample stock solution*

**Acceptance criteria:** Meet the requirements

- **B.** The retention time of the major peak for albendazole of the *Sample solution* corresponds to that of the *Standard solution*, as obtained in the Assay.

## ASSAY

### PROCEDURE

**Mobile phase:** Dissolve 0.50 g of monobasic ammonium phosphate in 400 mL of water. Add 600 mL of methanol, mix, and filter, discarding the first 15 mL of the filtrate. Degas the clear filtrate before use.

**Solution A:** Methanol and sulfuric acid (99:1)

**Internal standard solution:** 3 mg/mL of [USP Parbendazole RS](#) prepared as follows. Transfer 150 mg of [USP Parbendazole RS](#) to a 50-mL volumetric flask, add 5 mL of *Solution A* and 25 mL of methanol, and shake to dissolve. Dilute with methanol to volume and mix.

**Standard stock solution:** 2 mg/mL of [USP Albendazole RS](#) prepared as follows. Transfer 100 mg of [USP Albendazole RS](#) to a 50-mL volumetric flask, add 5 mL of *Solution A* and 25 mL of methanol, and shake to dissolve. Dilute with methanol to volume and mix.

**Standard solution:** 0.2 mg/mL of [USP Albendazole RS](#) and 0.3 mg/mL of [USP Parbendazole RS](#) in methanol, from *Standard stock solution* and *Internal standard solution*

**Sample stock solution:** Nominally 2 mg/mL of albendazole prepared as follows. Weigh and finely powder NLT 20 Tablets. Transfer an accurately weighed portion of the powder, equivalent to about 100 mg of albendazole, to a 50-mL volumetric flask. Add 5 mL of *Solution A* and 20 mL of methanol, and shake by mechanical means for about 15 min. Dilute with methanol to volume, mix, and filter, discarding the first 15 mL of the filtrate.

**Sample solution:** Nominally 0.2 mg/mL of albendazole and 0.3 mg/mL of [USP Parbendazole RS](#) in methanol, from *Sample stock solution* and *Internal standard solution*

### Chromatographic system

(See [Chromatography \(621\), System Suitability](#).)

**Mode:** LC

**Detector:** UV 254 nm

**Column:** 4.6-mm × 25-cm; 5-µm packing [L1](#)

**Flow rate:** 2 mL/min

**Injection volume:** 20 µL

### System suitability

**Sample:** *Standard solution*

#### Suitability requirements

**Resolution:** NLT 2.0 between albendazole and parbendazole

**Column efficiency:** NLT 1000 theoretical plates

**Tailing factor:** NMT 2.0

**Relative standard deviation:** NMT 2.0%

### Analysis

**Samples:** *Standard solution* and *Sample solution*

Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of albendazole ( $C_{12}H_{15}N_3O_2S$ ) in the portion of Tablets taken:

$$\text{Result} = (R_U/R_S) \times (C_S/C_U) \times 100$$

$R_U$  = peak height ratio of albendazole to parbendazole from the *Sample solution*

$R_S$  = peak height ratio of albendazole to parbendazole from the *Standard solution*

$C_S$  = concentration of [USP Albendazole RS](#) in the *Standard solution* (mg/mL)

$C_U$  = nominal concentration of albendazole in the *Sample solution* (mg/mL)

**Acceptance criteria:** 90.0%–110.0%

## PERFORMANCE TESTS

**Change to read:**

### • [DISSOLUTION \(711\)](#)

#### ▲ **Test 1** ▲ (RB 3-Mar-2021)

**Medium:** 0.1 N hydrochloric acid; 900 mL

**Apparatus 2:** 50 rpm

**Time:** 30 min

**Acidified methanol:** Methanol and hydrochloric acid (98:2)

**Standard stock solution:** 0.36 mg/mL of [USP Albendazole RS](#) prepared as follows. Dissolve about 90 mg of [USP Albendazole RS](#), accurately weighed, in 10 mL of *Acidified methanol* in a 250-mL volumetric flask with shaking. Dilute with 0.1 N hydrochloric acid to volume.

**Standard solution:** 0.009 mg/mL of [USP Albendazole RS](#) in 0.1 N sodium hydroxide, from *Standard stock solution*

**Sample solution:** Pass a portion of the solution under test through a suitable filter. Prepare a 1-in-25 dilution of the filtrate with 0.1 N sodium hydroxide.

**Blank:** 0.1 N sodium hydroxide

#### **Instrumental conditions**

**Mode:** UV

**Analytical wavelengths:** Maximum absorbance at about 308 nm and minimum absorbance at about 350 nm

#### **Analysis:**

**Samples:** *Standard solution* and *Sample solution*

Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of albendazole ( $C_{12}H_{15}N_3O_2S$ ) dissolved:

$$\text{Result} = (A_U/A_S) \times (C_S/L) \times V \times D \times 100$$

$A_U$  = absorbance of *Sample solution* at about 308 nm – absorbance of *Sample solution* at about 350 nm

$A_S$  = absorbance of *Standard solution* at about 308 nm – absorbance of *Standard solution* at about 350 nm

$C_S$  = concentration of [USP Albendazole RS](#) in the *Standard solution* (mg/mL)

$L$  = label claim (mg/Tablet)

$V$  = volume of *Medium*, 900 mL

$D$  = dilution factor of the *Sample solution*, 25

**Tolerances:** NLT 80% (Q) of the labeled amount is dissolved.

#### ▲ **Test 2:** If the product complies with this test, the labeling indicates that it meets USP *Dissolution Test 2*.

**Medium:** 0.1 N hydrochloric acid; 900 mL

**Apparatus 2:** 75 rpm

**Time:** 30 min

Determine the percentage of the labeled amount of albendazole ( $C_{12}H_{15}N_3O_2S$ ) dissolved by using one of the following procedures.

#### **Spectrophotometric procedure**

**Acidified methanol, Standard stock solution, Standard solution, Sample solution, Blank, Instrumental conditions, and**

**Analysis:** Proceed as directed in *Dissolution Test 1*.

[NOTE—If the absorbance at about 350 nm in the *Sample solution* is below zero, then consider the absorbance as zero.]

#### **Chromatographic procedure**

**Buffer:** 1.05 g/L of potassium phosphate dibasic and 1.0 g/L of potassium phosphate monobasic in water

**Mobile phase:** Acetonitrile, *Buffer*, and water (54: 40.5: 5.5)

**Diluent:** Methanol, water, and sulfuric acid (75:24:1)

**Standard solution:** 0.22 mg/mL of [USP Albendazole RS](#) prepared as follows. Transfer about 55.0 mg of [USP Albendazole RS](#) to a 250-mL volumetric flask. Add 10 mL of *Diluent* and sonicate to dissolve. Dilute with *Medium* to volume.

**Sample solution:** Pass a portion of the solution under test through a suitable filter.

### Chromatographic system

(See [Chromatography \(621\)](#), [System Suitability](#).)

**Mode:** LC

**Detector:** UV 254 nm

**Column:** 4.6-mm × 15-cm; 5-μm packing [L1](#)

**Column temperature:** 40°

**Flow rate:** 1.5 mL/min

**Injection volume:** 5 μL

**Run time:** NLT 6 min

### System suitability

**Sample:** *Standard solution*

#### Suitability requirements

**Tailing factor:** NMT 1.5

**Relative standard deviation:** NMT 2.0%

### Analysis

**Samples:** *Standard solution* and *Sample solution*

Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of albendazole ( $C_{12}H_{15}N_3O_2S$ ) dissolved:

$$\text{Result} = (r_U/r_S) \times C_S \times V \times (1/L) \times 100$$

$r_U$  = peak response of albendazole from the *Sample solution*

$r_S$  = peak response of albendazole from the *Standard solution*

$C_S$  = concentration of [USP Albendazole RS](#) in the *Standard solution* (mg/mL)

$V$  = volume of *Medium*, 900 mL

$L$  = label claim (mg/Tablet)

**Tolerances:** NLT 80% (Q) of the labeled amount is dissolved. ▲ (RB 3-Mar-2021)

- [UNIFORMITY OF DOSAGE UNITS \(905\)](#): Meet the requirements

#### Procedure for content uniformity (if applicable)

**Acidified methanol** and **Standard solution:** Prepare as directed in *Dissolution Test 1*.

**Sample stock solution:** Place 1 Tablet in a 500-mL volumetric flask, add about 300 mL of *Acidified methanol*, shake by mechanical means for about 30 min, and dilute with *Acidified methanol* to volume. Filter a portion of this solution, discarding the first 20 mL of the filtrate.

**Sample solution:** Transfer 4.0 mL of the *Sample stock solution* to a 200-mL volumetric flask, and dilute with 0.1 N sodium hydroxide to volume and mix.

**Blank:** 0.1 N sodium hydroxide

#### Instrumental conditions

**Mode:** UV

**Analytical wavelengths:** Maximum absorbance at about 308 nm and minimum absorbance at about 350 nm

### Analysis

**Samples:** *Standard solution* and *Sample solution*

Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of albendazole ( $C_{12}H_{15}N_3O_2S$ ) in the Tablet taken:

$$\text{Result} = (A_U/A_S) \times (C_S/L) \times V \times D \times 100$$

$A_U$  = absorbance of *Sample solution* at about 308 nm – absorbance of *Sample solution* at about 350 nm

$A_S$  = absorbance of *Standard solution* at about 308 nm – absorbance of *Standard solution* at about 350 nm

$C_S$  = concentration of [USP Albendazole RS](#) in the *Standard solution* (mg/mL)

$L$  = label claim (mg/Tablet)

$V$  = volume of the *Sample solution*, 500 mL

$D$  = dilution factor of the *Sample solution*, 50

### ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- **PACKAGING AND STORAGE:** Preserve in tight containers, and store at controlled room temperature.

#### Change to read:

- **LABELING:** ▲ When more than one *Dissolution* test is given, the labeling states the *Dissolution* test used only if *Test 1* is not used. ▲ (RB 3-Mar-2021)  
Tablets intended for veterinary use only are so labeled.

- [USP REFERENCE STANDARDS \(11\)](#).  
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