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## ▲Alosetron Tablets

### DEFINITION

Alosetron Tablets contains an amount of Alosetron Hydrochloride equivalent to NLT 90.0% and NMT 110.0% of the labeled amount of alosetron ( $C_{17}H_{18}N_4O$ ).

### IDENTIFICATION

Change to read:

- A. ▲[SPECTROSCOPIC IDENTIFICATION TESTS \(197\)](#), [Ultraviolet-Visible Spectroscopy: 197U](#) ▲ (CN 1-MAY-2020) [NOTE—The UV spectra of the major peaks of the *Sample solution* and the *Standard solution* as obtained in the Assay may also be used to meet the *Acceptance criteria*.]

**Standard stock solution:** 0.115 mg/mL of [USP Alosetron Hydrochloride RS](#) in [water](#)

**Standard solution:** 2.3 µg/mL of [USP Alosetron Hydrochloride RS](#) in [water](#), from the *Standard stock solution*

**Sample solution:** Transfer a number of Tablets, nominally equivalent to 1 mg of alosetron, to a 250-mL volumetric flask. Fill the flask to about  $\frac{3}{4}$  full with [water](#) and shake for 30 min. Dilute with [water](#) to volume, mix, and pass through a PVDF filter or other suitable filter of 0.45-µm pore size, discarding at least 15 mL of the filtrate.

**Wavelength range:** 200–400 nm

**Cell:** 1 cm

**Blank:** [Water](#)

**Acceptance criteria:** The spectrum of the *Sample solution* exhibits maxima and minima at the same wavelengths as those of the *Standard solution*, concomitantly measured.

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

### ASSAY

- **PROCEDURE** Protect solutions containing alosetron hydrochloride from light.

**Buffer:** 0.02 M [monobasic sodium phosphate](#). Adjust with [phosphoric acid](#) to a pH of 3.0.

**Mobile phase:** Buffer and [acetonitrile](#) (80:20)

**Diluent:** Mix 1 mL of [phosphoric acid](#) with 1000 mL of [water](#).

**Standard stock solution:** 0.115 mg/mL of [USP Alosetron Hydrochloride RS](#) in *Diluent*

**Standard solution:** 0.0115 mg/mL of [USP Alosetron Hydrochloride RS](#) in *Diluent*, from the *Standard stock solution*

**Sample solution:** Nominally 0.01 mg/mL of alosetron prepared as follows. Transfer 10 Tablets to a suitable volumetric flask. Fill the flask to about  $\frac{3}{4}$  full with *Diluent*, shake for 10 min, and then sonicate for another 10 min. Dilute with *Diluent* to volume, mix, let the solids settle, and pass through a PVDF filter or other suitable filter of 0.45-µm pore size, discarding at least 6 mL of the filtrate.

### Chromatographic system

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

**Mode:** LC

**Detector:** UV 220 nm. For *Identification A*, use a diode array detector in the range of 200–400 nm.

**Column:** 4.6-mm × 7.5-cm; 3-µm packing [L1](#)

**Flow rate:** 1.0 mL/min

**Injection volume:** 15 µL

**Autosampler temperature:** 5°

### System suitability

**Sample:** *Standard solution*

#### Suitability requirements

**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 alosetron ( $C_{17}H_{18}N_4O$ ) in the portion of Tablets taken:

$$\text{Result} = (r_U/r_S) \times (C_S/C_U) \times (M_{r1}/M_{r2}) \times 100$$

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

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

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

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

$M_{r1}$  = molecular weight of alosetron, 294.36

$M_{r2}$  = molecular weight of alosetron hydrochloride, 330.82

**Acceptance criteria:** 90.0%–110.0%

## PERFORMANCE TESTS

### • [DISSOLUTION \(711\)](#)

Protect solutions containing alosetron hydrochloride from light.

**Medium:** [Water \(de-aerated\)](#); 500 mL

**Apparatus 2:** 75 rpm

**Time:** 20 min

**Mobile phase:** Prepare as directed in the Assay.

**Sample solution:** Pass a portion of the solution under test through a PVDF filter or other suitable filter of 0.45-μm pore size, discarding at least 15 mL of the filtrate.

**Standard stock solution:** 0.115 mg/mL of [USP Alosetron Hydrochloride RS](#) in *Medium*

**Standard solution:** 2.3 μg/mL of [USP Alosetron Hydrochloride RS](#) in [water](#), from the *Standard stock solution*. Further dilute with *Medium*, if needed, to a concentration that is similar to that of the *Sample solution*.

**Chromatographic system:** Proceed as directed in the Assay, except for *Injection volume*.

**Injection volume:** 75 μL

### System suitability

**Sample:** *Standard solution*

### Suitability requirements

**Tailing factor:** NMT 2.0

**Relative standard deviation:** NMT 3.0%

### Analysis

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

Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of alosetron ( $C_{17}H_{18}N_4O$ ) dissolved:

$$\text{Result} = (r_U/r_S) \times (C_S/L) \times V \times (M_{r1}/M_{r2}) \times 100$$

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

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

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

$L$  = labeled amount of alosetron (mg/Tablet)

$V$  = volume of *Medium*, 500 mL

$M_{r1}$  = molecular weight of alosetron, 294.36

$M_{r2}$  = molecular weight of alosetron hydrochloride, 330.82

**Tolerances:** NLT 80% (Q) of the labeled amount of alosetron ( $C_{17}H_{18}N_4O$ ) is dissolved.

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

## IMPURITIES

### • ORGANIC IMPURITIES

Protect solutions containing alosetron hydrochloride from light.

**Buffer:** Prepare as directed in the Assay.

**Solution A:** *Buffer*

**Solution B:** [Acetonitrile](#)

**Mobile phase:** See [Table 1](#). Return to original conditions and re-equilibrate the system for at least 10 min.

**Table 1**

Time (min)	Solution A (%)	Solution B (%)
0	90	10
5	90	10
20	50	50
25	50	50

**Diluent:** Buffer and [acetonitrile](#) (90:10)

**System suitability solution:** 200 µg/mL of [USP Alosetron Hydrochloride RS](#) and 0.5 µg/mL of [USP Alosetron Related Compound A RS](#) in *Diluent*

**Standard stock solution:** 0.115 mg/mL of [USP Alosetron Hydrochloride RS](#) in *Diluent*

**Standard solution:** 0.46 µg/mL of [USP Alosetron Hydrochloride RS](#) in *Diluent*, from the *Standard stock solution*

**Sample solution:** Nominally 200 µg/mL of alosetron prepared as follows. Transfer a number of Tablets, equivalent to 5 mg of alosetron, to a suitable container. Add 25 mL of *Diluent*, shake for 10 min, and then sonicate for another 20 min. Mix, let the solids settle, and pass through a PVDF filter or other suitable filter of 0.45-µm pore size, discarding at least 6 mL of the filtrate.

**Chromatographic system:** Proceed as directed in the Assay, except for *Injection volume*.

**Injection volume:** 5 µL

#### System suitability

**Samples:** *System suitability solution* and *Standard solution*

#### Suitability requirements

**Resolution:** NLT 7 between alosetron and alosetron related compound A, *System suitability solution*

**Relative standard deviation:** NMT 5.0%, *Standard solution*

#### Analysis

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

Calculate the percentage of each individual impurity in the portion of Tablets taken:

$$\text{Result} = (r_U/r_S) \times (C_S/C_U) \times (1/F) \times (M_{r1}/M_{r2}) \times 100$$

$r_U$  = peak response of each impurity from the *Sample solution*

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

$C_S$  = concentration of [USP Alosetron Hydrochloride RS](#) in the *Standard solution* (µg/mL)

$C_U$  = nominal concentration of alosetron in the *Sample solution* (µg/mL)

$F$  = relative response factor (see [Table 2](#))

$M_{r1}$  = molecular weight of alosetron, 294.36

$M_{r2}$  = molecular weight of alosetron hydrochloride, 330.82

**Acceptance criteria:** See [Table 2](#).

**Table 2**

Name	Relative Retention Time	Relative Response Factor	Acceptance Criteria, NMT (%)
Alosetron	1.0	—	—
Alosetron related compound A	1.1	1.3	0.3
Any other individual impurity	—	1.0	0.5
Total impurities	—	—	2.5

#### ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- **PACKAGING AND STORAGE:** Preserve in tight containers. Store at controlled room temperature, protected from light.

- [USP REFERENCE STANDARDS \(11\)](#).  
[USP Alosetron Hydrochloride RS](#)  
[USP Alosetron Related Compound A RS](#)

Dealkyl alosetron;  
5-Methyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1*H*-pyrido[4,3-*b*]indol-1-one.  
 $C_{12}H_{12}N_2O$  200.24▲ (USP 1-Dec-2019)

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