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Altretamine Capsules

DEFINITION

Altretamine Capsules contain NLT 90.0% and NMT 110.0% of the labeled amount of altretamine (C₉H₁₈N₆).

IDENTIFICATION

Change to read:

- **A.** ▲ [SPECTROSCOPIC IDENTIFICATION TESTS \(197\)](#), *Infrared Spectroscopy: 197K* ▲ (CN 1-MAY-2020)
Sample: Remove as completely as possible the contents of 5 Capsules, and dissolve, with shaking, in 10 mL of chloroform. Filter, and evaporate the chloroform solution to dryness.
Acceptance criteria: Meet the requirements
- **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

Change to read:

- **PROCEDURE**
▲ **Solution A:** 1.7 g/L of [dibasic potassium phosphate](#) in [water](#). Adjust with [phosphoric acid](#) to a pH of 7.0 ± 0.1.
Solution B: Acetonitrile
Mobile phase: See [Table 1](#).

Table 1

Time (min)	Solution A (%)	Solution B (%)
0	100	0
3	100	0
25	50	50
28	50	50
29	100	0
35	100	0

Standard stock solution: 1.0 mg/mL of [USP Altretamine RS](#) prepared as follows. Dissolve a suitable amount of [USP Altretamine RS](#) in about 40% of the flask volume of acetonitrile. Sonicate as needed to dissolve. Add [water](#) almost to volume and allow it to reach room temperature. Dilute with [water](#) to volume and mix.

Standard solution: 0.1 mg/mL of [USP Altretamine RS](#) in [water](#) from *Standard stock solution*

Sample stock solution: Nominally 1.0 mg/mL of altretamine from Capsules prepared as follows. Transfer NLT 20 Capsules to a suitable volumetric flask. Dissolve in about 40% of the flask volume of acetonitrile. Sonicate as needed to dissolve. Add [water](#) almost to volume and allow the solution to reach room temperature. Dilute with [water](#) to volume and mix.

Sample solution: Nominally 0.1 mg/mL of altretamine in [water](#) from *Sample stock solution*

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

Mode: LC
Detector: UV 242 nm
Column: 4.6-mm × 25-cm; 5-µm packing [L96](#)
Flow rate: 1.5 mL/min
Injection volume: 20 µL. [NOTE—In-line filter may be needed to reduce system pressure.] ▲ (USP 1-May-2019)

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 altretamine ($C_9H_{18}N_6$) in the portion of Capsules taken:

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

r_U = peak response from the *Sample solution*

r_S = peak response from the *Standard solution*

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

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

Acceptance criteria: 90.0%–110.0%

IMPURITIES

Add the following:

▲• ORGANIC IMPURITIES

Solution A, Solution B, Mobile phase, Standard solution, and Sample solution: Prepare as directed in the Assay.

Sensitivity solution: 0.1 µg/mL of [USP Altretamine RS](#) in [water](#) from *Standard solution*

Chromatographic system

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

Mode: LC

Detector: UV 215 and 242 nm (see [Table 2](#))

Column: 4.6-mm × 25-cm; 5-µm packing [L96](#)

Flow rate: 1.5 mL/min

Injection volume: 20 µL

System suitability

Samples: *Standard solution and Sensitivity solution*

Suitability requirements

Tailing factor: NMT 1.5, *Standard solution*

Relative standard deviation: NMT 2.0%, *Standard solution*

Signal-to-noise ratio: NLT 10 for the altretamine peak, *Sensitivity solution*

Analysis

Samples: *Standard solution and Sample solution*

Calculate the percentage of each impurity in the portion of Capsules taken:

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

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

r_S = peak response of altretamine from the *Standard solution*

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

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

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

Acceptance criteria: See [Table 2](#). The reporting threshold is NMT 0.1%.

Table 2

Name	Relative Retention Time	Relative Response Factor	Detector (nm)	Acceptance Criteria, NMT (%)
Altretamine diketo analog ^a	0.21	0.44	242	0.4

Name	Relative Retention Time	Relative Response Factor	Detector (nm)	Acceptance Criteria, NMT (%)
Altretamine chloro keto analog ^b	0.35	0.60	215	0.4
Altretamine keto analog ^c	0.56	1.3	242	0.4
Altretamine dichloro analog ^d	0.87	0.87	242	0.4
Altretamine monochloro analog ^e	0.96	1.3	242	0.4
Altretamine	1.00	1.0	215, 242 ^f	—
Any other individual impurity	—	—	242	0.4
Total impurities	—	—	—	1.0▲ (USP 1-May-2019)

^a 6-(Dimethylamino)-1,3,5-triazine-2,4[1*H*,3*H*]-dione.

^b 4-Chloro-6-(dimethylamino)-1,3,5-triazine-2[1*H*]-one.

^c 4,6-Bis(dimethylamino)-1,3,5-triazine-2[1*H*]-one.

^d 4,6-Dichloro-*N,N*-dimethyl-1,3,5-triazine-2-amine.

^e 6-Chloro-*N*²,*N*²,*N*⁴,*N*⁴-tetramethyl-1,3,5-triazine-2,4-diamine.

^f Use the detector consistent with the respective impurity.

PERFORMANCE TESTS

• [DISSOLUTION \(711\)](#)

Medium: 0.1 N hydrochloric acid; 900 mL

Apparatus 1: 100 rpm

Time: 30 min

Detector: UV 242 nm

Standard solution: [USP Altretamine RS](#) in *Medium*

Analysis: Determine the amount of altretamine ($C_9H_{18}N_6$) dissolved from UV absorbances on filtered portions of the solution under test, suitably diluted if necessary with *Medium*, compared with the *Standard solution*.

Tolerances: NLT 80% (*Q*) of the labeled amount of altretamine ($C_9H_{18}N_6$) is dissolved.

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

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

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

• [USP REFERENCE STANDARDS \(11\)](#)

[USP Altretamine RS](#)

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