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# Amlodipine and Benazepril Hydrochloride Capsules

### DEFINITION

Amlodipine and Benazepril Hydrochloride Capsules contain an amount of amlodipine besylate equivalent to NLT 90.0% and NMT 110.0% of the labeled amount of amlodipine ( $C_{20}H_{25}N_2O_5Cl$ ) and NLT 90.0% and NMT 110.0% of the labeled amount of benazepril hydrochloride ( $C_{24}H_{28}N_2O_5 \cdot HCl$ ).

### IDENTIFICATION

- A.** The retention times of the major peaks of the *Sample solution* correspond to those of the *Standard solution*, as obtained in the Assay
- B.** The UV spectra of the major peaks of the *Sample solution* correspond to those of the *Standard solution*, as obtained in the Assay.

### ASSAY

**Change to read:**

• **PROCEDURE**

**Buffer 1:** 0.7% (v/v) [triethylamine](#) in [water](#). Adjust with [phosphoric acid](#) to a pH of 3.0, and add 1.2 g/L of [tetrabutylammonium](#) (ERR-1-Oct-2024) [hydrogen sulfate](#) to this solution.

**Buffer 2:** 0.7% (v/v) [triethylamine](#) in [water](#). Adjust with [phosphoric acid](#) to a pH of 3.0.

**Mobile phase:** [Acetonitrile](#), [methanol](#), and *Buffer 1* (10:30:70)

**Diluent:** [Acetonitrile](#), [methanol](#), and *Buffer 2* (20:30:50)

**Standard solution:** Concentrations of [USP Amlodipine Besylate RS](#) and [USP Benazepril Hydrochloride RS](#) in *Diluent* as directed in [Table 1](#).

Table 1

Strength of Capsule Amlodipine/Benazepril Hydrochloride (mg/mg)	Concentration of <a href="#">USP Amlodipine Besylate RS</a> / <a href="#">USP Benazepril Hydrochloride RS</a> (mg/mL)
2.5/10	0.18/0.5
5/20	0.18/0.5
5/10	0.18/0.25
10/20	0.36/0.5
5/40 and 10/40	0.056/0.16

**Sample solution:** Transfer the contents of 5 Capsules into a suitable volumetric flask to obtain nominal concentrations as given in [Table 2](#). Add *Diluent* to about 70% of the volume of the flask and keep on a rotary shaker for about 45 min, sonicate for about 30 min with occasional shaking, and dilute with *Diluent* to volume. Centrifuge a portion of the solution for about 10 min, and pass through a filter of 0.45-µm pore size.

Table 2

Strength of Capsule Amlodipine/Benazepril Hydrochloride (mg/mg)	Nominal Concentration of Amlodipine/Benazepril Hydrochloride (mg/mL)
2.5/10	0.125/0.5
5/20	0.125/0.5

Strength of Capsule Amlodipine/Benazepril Hydrochloride (mg/mg)	Nominal Concentration of Amlodipine/Benazepril Hydrochloride (mg/mL)
5/10	0.125/0.25
10/20	0.25/0.5
5/40	0.02/0.16
10/40	0.04/0.16

**Chromatographic system**(See [Chromatography \(621\), System Suitability.](#))**Mode:** LC**Detector:** UV 237 nm. For *Identification B*, use a diode array detector in the range of 200–400 nm.**Column:** 4.6-mm × 15-cm; 5-μm packing [L1](#)**Flow rate:** 1.2 mL/min**Injection volume:** 10 μL**Run time:** NLT 2 times the retention time of amlodipine**System suitability****Sample:** *Standard solution***Suitability requirements****Tailing factor:** NMT 2.0 for the amlodipine and benazepril peaks**Relative standard deviation:** NMT 2.0% for the amlodipine and benazepril peaks**Analysis****Samples:** *Standard solution* and *Sample solution*Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of amlodipine ( $C_{20}H_{25}N_2O_5Cl$ ) in the portion of Capsules taken:

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

 $r_U$  = peak response of amlodipine from the *Sample solution* $r_S$  = peak response of amlodipine from the *Standard solution* $C_S$  = concentration of [USP Amlodipine Besylate RS](#) in the *Standard solution* (mg/mL) $C_U$  = nominal concentration of amlodipine in the *Sample solution* (mg/mL) $M_{r1}$  = molecular weight of amlodipine, 408.88 $M_{r2}$  = molecular weight of amlodipine besylate, 567.05Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of benazepril hydrochloride ( $C_{24}H_{28}N_2O_5 \cdot HCl$ ), in the portion of Capsules taken:

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

 $r_U$  = peak response of benazepril from the *Sample solution* $r_S$  = peak response of benazepril from the *Standard solution* $C_S$  = concentration of [USP Benazepril Hydrochloride RS](#) in the *Standard solution* (mg/mL) $C_U$  = nominal concentration of benazepril hydrochloride in the *Sample solution* (mg/mL)**Acceptance criteria:** 90.0%–110.0%**PERFORMANCE TESTS**• **[DISSOLUTION \(711\)](#)****Medium:** [0.01 N hydrochloric acid](#); 500 mL**Apparatus 1:** 100 rpm**Time:** 30 min**Buffer:** 2.72 g/L of [potassium phosphate, monobasic](#) in [water](#). Add 0.2% (v/v) [triethylamine](#) per liter. Adjust with [phosphoric acid](#) to a pH of 3.0.**Mobile phase:** [Acetonitrile](#), [methanol](#), and *Buffer* (15:35:50)

**Standard solution:** Concentrations of [USP Amlodipine Besylate RS](#) and [USP Benazepril Hydrochloride RS](#) in *Medium* prepared as directed in [Table 3](#).

Table 3

Strength of Capsule Amlodipine/Benazepril Hydrochloride (mg/mg)	Concentration of <a href="#">USP Amlodipine Besylate RS</a> / <a href="#">USP Benazepril Hydrochloride RS</a> (mg/mL)
2.5/10	0.0077/0.0225
5/10	0.0154/0.0225
5/20	0.0154/0.045
10/20	0.0308/0.045
5/40	0.0136/0.08
10/40	0.028/0.08

**Sample solution:** Pass a portion of the solution under test through a suitable filter of 0.45-μm pore size.

#### Chromatographic system

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

**Mode:** LC

**Detector:** UV 237 nm

**Column:** 4.6-mm × 10-cm; 3-μm packing [L1](#)

**Flow rate:** 1 mL/min

**Injection volume:** 50 μL

#### System suitability

**Sample:** *Standard solution*

#### Suitability requirements

**Tailing factor:** NMT 2.0 for the amlodipine and benazepril peaks

**Relative standard deviation:** NMT 2.0% for the amlodipine and benazepril peaks

#### Analysis

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

Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of amlodipine ( $C_{20}H_{25}N_2O_5Cl$ ) dissolved:

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

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

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

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

$L$  = label claim (mg/Capsule)

$M_{r1}$  = molecular weight of amlodipine, 408.88

$M_{r2}$  = molecular weight of amlodipine besylate, 567.05

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

Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of benazepril hydrochloride ( $C_{24}H_{28}N_2O_5 \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved:

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

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

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

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

$L$  = label claim (mg/Capsule)

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

**Tolerances:** NLT 80% (Q) of the labeled amount of amlodipine ( $C_{20}H_{25}N_2O_5Cl$ ) and benazepril hydrochloride ( $C_{24}H_{28}N_2O_5 \cdot HCl$ ) is dissolved.

- **UNIFORMITY OF DOSAGE UNITS (905):** Meet the requirements

#### IMPURITIES

##### • ORGANIC IMPURITIES

**Buffer 1, Buffer 2, and Diluent:** Prepare as directed in the Assay.

**Solution A:** [Acetonitrile](#) and *Buffer 1* (20:80)

**Solution B:** [Methanol](#) and *Buffer 1* (80:20)

**Mobile phase:** See [Table 4](#).

**Table 4**

Time (min)	Solution A (%)	Solution B (%)
0	85	15
100	30	70
101	85	15
110	85	15

**Standard solution:** 1 µg/mL each of [USP Amlodipine Besylate RS](#) and [USP Amlodipine Related Compound A RS](#) and 3 µg/mL each of [USP Benazepril Hydrochloride RS](#) and [USP Benazepril Related Compound C RS](#) in *Diluent*

**Sample solution:** Nominally 0.25 mg/mL of amlodipine in *Diluent* prepared as follows. Transfer a portion of the finely powdered contents of Capsules (NLT 20), equivalent to 25 mg of amlodipine, to a 100-mL volumetric flask. Add *Diluent*, about 70% of the volume of the flask, sonicate for 30 min with intermittent shaking, and dilute with *Diluent* to volume. Pass through a membrane filter of 0.45-µm pore size. [NOTE —The benazepril hydrochloride concentration may vary depending on the ratio of amlodipine to benazepril hydrochloride in the Capsule.]

#### Chromatographic system

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

**Mode:** LC

**Detector:** UV 237 nm

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

**Column temperature:** 40°

**Flow rate:** 1.2 mL/min

**Injection volume:** 40 µL

#### System suitability

**Sample:** *Standard solution*

##### Suitability requirements

**Resolution:** NLT 2.0 between the amlodipine and benazepril peaks

**Tailing factor:** NMT 2.0 for the amlodipine and benazepril peaks

**Relative standard deviation:** NMT 5.0% for the amlodipine, amlodipine related compound A, benazepril, and benazepril related compound C peaks

#### Analysis

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

Calculate the percentage of amlodipine related compound A (free base) in the portion of Capsules taken:

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

$r_U$  = peak response of amlodipine related compound A from the *Sample solution*

$r_S$  = peak response of amlodipine related compound A from the *Standard solution*

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

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

$M_{r1}$  = molecular weight of amlodipine related compound A (free base), 408.88

$M_{r2}$  = molecular weight of amlodipine related compound A, 522.94

Calculate the percentage of benazepril related compound C in the portion of Capsules taken:

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

$r_U$  = peak response of benazepril related compound C from the *Sample solution*

$r_S$  = peak response of benazepril related compound C from the *Standard solution*

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

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

Calculate the percentage of any unspecified degradation product in the portion of Capsules taken:

$$\text{Result} = (r_U/r_T) \times 100$$

$r_U$  = peak response of each unspecified degradation product from the *Sample solution*

$r_T$  = sum of responses of all peaks from the *Sample solution*

**Acceptance criteria:** See [Table 5](#). [NOTE—Disregard the peaks at relative retention times of 0.09 and 0.10.]

**Table 5**

Impurity Name	Relative Retention Time	Acceptance Criteria, NMT (%)
Benazepril related compound C	0.23	3.0
Amlodipine related compound A <sup>a</sup>	0.44	1.0
Amlodipine	1.00	—
Benazepril	1.20	—
Any unspecified degradation product	—	0.2
Total degradation products <sup>b</sup>	—	5.0

<sup>a</sup> 3-Ethyl 5-methyl [2-(2-aminoethoxymethyl)-4-(2-chlorophenyl)-6-methyl-3,5-pyridinedicarboxylate].

<sup>b</sup> Sum of all degradation products exclude process related impurities.

#### ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

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

• **USP REFERENCE STANDARDS (11).**

[USP Amlodipine Besylate RS](#)

[USP Amlodipine Related Compound A RS](#)

3-Ethyl 5-methyl [2-(2-aminoethoxymethyl)-4-(2-chlorophenyl)-6-methyl-3,5-pyridinedicarboxylate] fumarate.

$C_{20}H_{23}ClN_2O_5 \cdot C_4H_4O_4$  522.94

[USP Benazepril Hydrochloride RS](#)

[USP Benazepril Related Compound C RS](#)

(3S)-3-[[[(1S)-1-Carboxy-3-phenylpropyl]amino]-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-2-oxo-1H-1-benzazepine]-1-acetic acid;

Also known as (S)-2-[[[(S)-1-(Carboxymethyl)-2-oxo-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-benzo[b]azepin-3-yl]amino]-4-phenylbutanoic acid.

$C_{22}H_{24}N_2O_5$  396.44

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