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Amphetamine Sulfate Tablets

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DEFINITION

Amphetamine Sulfate Tablets contain NLT 93.0% and NMT 107.0% of the labeled amount of amphetamine sulfate $[(C_9H_{13}N)_2 \cdot H_2SO_4]$.

IDENTIFICATION

- **A. [MELTING RANGE OR TEMPERATURE \(741\)](#), [Procedures](#):** Class I

Sample: Nominally 50 mg of amphetamine sulfate from a suitable quantity of powdered Tablets

Analysis: Macerate the *Sample* with 10 mL of [water](#) for 30 min and filter into a small flask. To the filtrate add 3 mL of 1 N [sodium hydroxide](#). Cool to 10°–15°, add 1 mL of a mixture of [absolute ether](#) and [benzoyl chloride](#) (2:1), insert the stopper, and shake well for 3 min. Filter the precipitate, wash with 15 mL of cold [water](#), and recrystallize twice from [diluted alcohol](#). Dry the residue at 80° for 2 h.

Acceptance criteria: The crystals of the benzoyl derivative of amphetamine melt between 131° and 135°.

- **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

Solution A: 14 mL of [glacial acetic acid](#) in 100 mL of [water](#)

Mobile phase: Dissolve 1.1 g of [sodium 1-heptanesulfonate](#) in 525 mL of [water](#). Add 25 mL of *Solution A* and 450 mL of [methanol](#). Adjust with [glacial acetic acid](#) to a pH of 3.3 ± 0.1.

Standard solution: 0.3 mg/mL of [USP Dextroamphetamine Sulfate RS](#) in 0.12 N [phosphoric acid](#)

Sample solution: Nominally 0.3 mg/mL of amphetamine sulfate from Tablets prepared as follows. Finely powder Tablets (NLT 20). Transfer a suitable amount of the powdered Tablets to a suitable volumetric flask. Add 80% of the flask volume of 0.12 N [phosphoric acid](#), and sonicate for 15 min. Dilute with 0.12 N [phosphoric acid](#) to volume. Pass through a membrane filter of 0.5-µm pore size, discarding the first 20 mL of the filtrate.

Chromatographic system

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

Mode: LC

Detector: UV 254 nm

Column: 3.9-mm × 30-cm; 10-µm packing [L1](#)

Flow rate: 2 mL/min. [NOTE—Alternatively, a 4.6-mm × 25-cm column with 5-µm packing [L1](#) may be used with a flow rate of 1 mL/min.]

Injection volume: 50 µL

System suitability

Sample: *Standard solution*

Suitability requirements

Tailing factor: NMT 3

Relative standard deviation: NMT 1.0%

Analysis

Samples: *Standard solution* and *Sample solution*

Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of amphetamine sulfate $[(C_9H_{13}N)_2 \cdot H_2SO_4]$ in the portion of Tablets taken:

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

r_U = peak response of amphetamine from the *Sample solution*

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

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

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

Acceptance criteria: 93.0%–107.0%

PERFORMANCE TESTS

Change to read:

- [DISSOLUTION \(711\)](#).

Test 1: Use [Dissolution \(711\), Procedure, Apparatus 1 and Apparatus 2, Immediate-Release Dosage Forms, Procedure for a pooled sample for immediate-release dosage forms](#)

Medium: [Water](#); 500 mL

Apparatus 1: 100 rpm

Time: 45 min

Solution A: 14 mL of [glacial acetic acid](#) in 100 mL of [water](#)

Mobile phase: 1.1 g of [sodium 1-heptanesulfonate](#) in 575 mL of [water](#). Add 25 mL of Solution A, and 400 mL of [methanol](#). Adjust with [glacial acetic acid](#) to a pH of 3.3 ± 0.1.

Standard solution: [USP Dextroamphetamine Sulfate RS](#) in *Medium* having a known concentration of [USP Dextroamphetamine Sulfate RS](#) similar to the concentration expected in the sample.

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: 3.9-mm × 30-cm; 10-µm packing [L1](#)

Flow rate: 1 mL/min

Injection volume: 500 µL

System suitability

Sample: *Standard solution*

Suitability requirements

Relative standard deviation: NMT 2.0%

Analysis

Samples: *Standard solution and Sample solution*

Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of amphetamine sulfate [(C₉H₁₃N)₂ · H₂SO₄] dissolved:

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

r_U = peak response of amphetamine from the *Sample solution*

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

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

V = volume of *Medium*, 500 mL

L = label claim (mg/Tablet)

Tolerances: NLT 75% (Q) of amphetamine sulfate [(C₉H₁₃N)₂ · H₂SO₄] is dissolved.

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

Medium: [Water](#); 500 mL, deaerated if necessary

Apparatus 1: 100 rpm

Time: 15 min

Solution A: 5 mL of [trifluoroacetic acid](#) in 950 mL of [water](#). Adjust with [ammonium hydroxide](#) to a pH of 2.2. Add 50 mL of [acetonitrile](#).

Solution B: [Acetonitrile](#)

Mobile phase: See [Table 1](#).

Table 1

Time (min)	Solution A (%)	Solution B (%)
0	95	5
8.0	79	21
8.1	0	100
12.0	0	100
12.1	95	5

Time (min)	Solution A (%)	Solution B (%)
15.0	95	5

Standard solution: ($L/500$) mg/mL of [USP Dextroamphetamine Sulfate RS](#) in *Solution A*, where L is the label claim in mg/Tablet

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 257 nm

Column: 4.6-mm $\times$ 15-cm; 2.6- μ m packing [L1](#)

Column temperature: 40°

Flow rate: 1 mL/min

Injection volume: 50 μ L

System suitability

Sample: *Standard solution*

Suitability requirements

Relative standard deviation: NMT 2.0%

Analysis

Samples: *Standard solution and Sample solution*

Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of amphetamine sulfate $[(C_9H_{13}N)_2 \cdot H_2SO_4]$ dissolved:

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

r_U = peak response of amphetamine from the *Sample solution*

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

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

V = volume of *Medium*, 500 mL

L = label claim (mg/Tablet)

Tolerances: NLT 80% (Q) of amphetamine sulfate $[(C_9H_{13}N)_2 \cdot H_2SO_4]$ is dissolved.

▲ **Test 3:** If the product complies with this test, the labeling indicates that it meets USP *Dissolution Test 3*.

Medium: [Water](#); 500 mL

Apparatus 1: 100 rpm

Time: 20 min

Solution A: 14 mL of [glacial acetic acid](#) in 100 mL of [water](#)

Mobile phase: Dissolve 1.1 g of [sodium 1-heptanesulfonate](#) in 525 mL of [water](#). Add 25 mL of *Solution A* and 450 mL of [methanol](#). Adjust with [glacial acetic acid](#) to a pH of 3.3.

Diluent: 0.12 N [phosphoric acid](#) in [water](#)

Standard stock solution: 0.10 mg/mL of [USP Dextroamphetamine Sulfate RS](#) in *Diluent*. Sonicate to dissolve, if necessary.

Standard solution: ($L/500$) mg/mL of [USP Dextroamphetamine Sulfate RS](#) from the *Standard stock solution* in [water](#), where L is the label claim in mg/Tablet

Sample solution: Pass a portion of the solution under test through a suitable filter of 0.45- μ m pore size, discarding an appropriate volume of filtrate so that a consistent result can be obtained.

Chromatographic system

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

Mode: LC

Detector: UV 254 nm

Column: 3.9-mm $\times$ 30-cm; 10- μ m packing [L1](#)

Column temperature: 35°

Flow rate: 1.5 mL/min

Injection volume: 200 μ L

Run time: NLT 2 times the retention time of amphetamine

System suitability

Sample: *Standard solution*

Suitability requirements

Tailing Factor: NMT 3.0

Relative standard deviation: NMT 2.0%

Analysis

Samples: *Standard solution* and *Sample solution*

Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of amphetamine sulfate $[(C_9H_{13}N)_2 \cdot H_2SO_4]$ dissolved:

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

r_U = peak response of amphetamine from the *Sample solution*

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

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

V = volume of *Medium*, 500 mL

L = label claim (mg/Tablet)

Tolerances: NLT 80% (Q) of amphetamine sulfate $[(C_9H_{13}N)_2 \cdot H_2SO_4]$ is dissolved.▲ (RB 1-Feb-2025)

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

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- **PACKAGING AND STORAGE:** Preserve in well-closed containers. Store at controlled room temperature.
- **LABELING:** When more than one *Dissolution* test is given, the labeling states the *Dissolution* test used only if *Test 1* is not used.
- [USP REFERENCE STANDARDS \(11\)](#)
[USP Dextroamphetamine Sulfate RS](#)

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