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Aspirin Extended-Release Tablets

DEFINITION

Aspirin Extended-Release Tablets contain NLT 95.0% and NMT 105.0% of the labeled amount of aspirin ($C_9H_8O_4$).

IDENTIFICATION

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

Change to read:

- **B.** ▲ [SPECTROSCOPIC IDENTIFICATION TESTS \(197\)](#), *Infrared Spectroscopy: 197K* ▲ (CN 1-MAY-2020)

Sample: Shake a quantity of finely powdered Tablets, equivalent to about 500 mg of aspirin, with 10 mL of alcohol for several minutes.

Centrifuge the mixture. Pour off the clear supernatant, and evaporate it to dryness. Dry the residue under vacuum at 60° for 1 h.

Acceptance criteria: Meet the requirements

ASSAY

• PROCEDURE

Mobile phase: 2 g/L of [sodium 1-heptanesulfonate](#) in a mixture of [acetonitrile](#) and [water](#) (15:85). Adjust with [glacial acetic acid](#) to a pH of 3.4.

Diluent: [Acetonitrile](#) and [formic acid](#) (99:1)

Standard solution: 0.5 mg/mL of [USP Aspirin RS](#) in *Diluent*

Sample stock solution: Nominally 5 mg/mL of aspirin prepared as follows. Transfer a quantity, equivalent to about 100 mg of aspirin from NLT 20 finely powdered Tablets, to a suitable container. Add 20.0 mL of *Diluent* and 10 glass beads. Shake vigorously for about 10 min, and centrifuge.

Sample solution: Nominally 0.5 mg/mL of aspirin in *Diluent* from *Sample stock solution*

Chromatographic system

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

Mode: LC

Detector: UV 280 nm

Column: 4.0-mm × 30-cm; packing L1

Flow rate: 2 mL/min

Injection volume: 10 µL

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 aspirin ($C_9H_8O_4$) in the portion of Tablets taken:

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

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

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

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

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

Acceptance criteria: 95.0%–105.0%

PERFORMANCE TESTS

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

Test 1: If the product complies with this test, the labeling indicates that it meets USP *Dissolution Test 1*.

Medium: 0.1 N hydrochloric acid; 900 mL

Apparatus 2: 60 rpm**Times:** 1 and 4 h**Standard solution:** A known concentration of [USP Aspirin RS](#) in *Medium***Sample solution:** Pass a portion of the solution under test through a suitable filter, and dilute with *Medium*, if necessary.**Instrumental conditions****Mode:** UV**Analytical wavelength:** 280 nm**Analysis****Samples:** *Standard solution and Sample solution*

Determine the percentage of the labeled amount of aspirin ($C_9H_8O_4$) dissolved from UV absorbances at the isosbestic point at about 280 nm.

Tolerances: See [Table 1](#).**Table 1**

Time (h)	Amount Dissolved (%)
1	20–55
4	NLT 80

The percentages of the labeled amount of aspirin ($C_9H_8O_4$) dissolved at the times specified conform to [Dissolution \(711\)](#), [Acceptance Table 2](#).

Test 2: If the product complies with this test, the labeling indicates that it meets USP *Dissolution Test 2*.**Medium:** Water; 1000 mL**Apparatus 2:** 30 rpm**Times:** 1, 2, 4, and 8 h

Standard solution: A known concentration of [USP Aspirin RS](#) in *Medium*. Prepare the *Standard solution* at the time of use. [NOTE—A quantity of [alcohol](#) not to exceed 5% of the total volume of the *Standard solution* may be used to dissolve the USP Reference Standard prior to dilution with *Medium*.]

Sample solutions: Pass a portion of the solution under test through a suitable filter, and dilute with *Medium*, if necessary.**Instrumental conditions****Mode:** UV**Analytical wavelength:** 265 nm**Analysis****Samples:** *Standard solution and Sample solutions*

Determine the percentage of the labeled amount of aspirin ($C_9H_8O_4$) dissolved from UV absorbances at the isosbestic point at about 265 nm.

Tolerances: See [Table 2](#).**Table 2**

Time (h)	Amount Dissolved (%)
1	15–40
2	25–60
4	35–75
8	NLT 70

The percentages of the labeled amount of aspirin ($C_9H_8O_4$) dissolved at the times specified conform to [Dissolution \(711\)](#), [Acceptance Table 2](#).

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

IMPURITIES

- **LIMIT OF FREE SALICYLIC ACID**

Mobile phase, Diluent, and Chromatographic system: Proceed as directed in the Assay.

System suitability solution: 0.015 mg/mL of [USP Salicylic Acid RS](#) and 0.5 mg/mL of [USP Aspirin RS](#) in *Diluent*

Standard solution: 0.015 mg/mL of [USP Salicylic Acid RS](#) in *Diluent*

Sample solution: Use the *Sample stock solution* prepared as directed in the Assay.

System suitability

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

[NOTE—The relative retention times for salicylic acid and aspirin are about 0.7 and 1.0, respectively.]

Suitability requirements

Resolution: NLT 2.0 between salicylic acid and aspirin, *System suitability solution*

Relative standard deviation: NMT 4.0%, *Standard solution*

Analysis

Samples: *Standard solution* and *Sample solution*

Calculate the percentage of salicylic acid ($C_7H_6O_3$) in the portion of Tablets taken:

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

r_U = peak response of salicylic acid from the *Sample solution*

r_S = peak response of salicylic acid from the *Standard solution*

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

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

Acceptance criteria: NMT 3.0%

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- **PACKAGING AND STORAGE:** Preserve in tight containers.
- **LABELING:** The labeling indicates the *Dissolution* test with which the product complies.
- **USP REFERENCE STANDARDS (11).**
 - [USP Aspirin RS](#)
 - [USP Salicylic Acid RS](#)

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