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# Bendamustine Hydrochloride for Injection

### DEFINITION

Bendamustine Hydrochloride for Injection is a sterile, lyophilized mixture of Bendamustine Hydrochloride and Mannitol. It contains NLT 90.0% and NMT 110.0% of the labeled amount of bendamustine hydrochloride ( $C_{16}H_{21}Cl_2N_3O_2 \cdot HCl$ ).

### IDENTIFICATION

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

**Change to read:**

• **B.** [▲SPECTROSCOPIC IDENTIFICATION TESTS \(197\), Ultraviolet-Visible Spectroscopy: 197U▲](#) (CN 1-MAY-2020)

**Sample solution:** Nominally equivalent to 5 µg/mL of bendamustine hydrochloride, from Bendamustine Hydrochloride for Injection, in water

**Acceptance criteria:** Meets the requirements

### ASSAY

• **PROCEDURE**

**Solution A:** 0.1% (v/v) trifluoroacetic acid in water

**Solution B:** 0.1% (v/v) trifluoroacetic acid in acetonitrile

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

Table 1

Time (min)	Solution A (%)	Solution B (%)
0	93	7
5	93	7
13	73	27
16	73	27
25	43	57
26	10	90
31	10	90
40	93	7
45	93	7

**Diluent:** 1-Methyl-2-pyrrolidone and *Solution A* (1:1)

**Standard solution:** 4.2 mg/mL of [USP Bendamustine Hydrochloride RS](#) in *Diluent*

**Sample solution:** Nominally equivalent to 4.2 mg/mL of bendamustine hydrochloride in *Diluent*, from Bendamustine Hydrochloride for Injection

**Chromatographic system**

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

**Mode:** LC

**Detector:** UV 254 nm

**Column:** 4.6-mm × 15-cm; 5-µm packing L60

**Temperatures**

**Autosampler:** 2°–8°

**Column:** 30°

**Flow rate:** 1 mL/min  
**Injection volume:** 2 µL  
**Analysis time:** 25 min

**System suitability**

**Sample:** *Standard solution*

**Suitability requirements**

[NOTE—The slower syringe draw rate and higher detector sampling rate can be applied in order to improve the precision.]

**Tailing factor:** NMT 2.0

**Relative standard deviation:** NMT 1.0%

**Analysis**

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

Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of bendamustine hydrochloride ( $C_{16}H_{21}Cl_2N_3O_2 \cdot HCl$ ) in the portion of Bendamustine Hydrochloride for Injection 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 Bendamustine Hydrochloride RS](#) in the *Standard solution* (mg/mL)

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

**Acceptance criteria:** 90.0%–110.0%

**PERFORMANCE TESTS**

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

**IMPURITIES**• **ORGANIC IMPURITIES**

**Mobile phase, Diluent, Standard solution, Sample solution, and Chromatographic system:** Proceed as directed in the Assay.

**System suitability solution:** 4.2 mg/mL of [USP Bendamustine Hydrochloride RS](#), and 0.02 mg/mL each of [USP Bendamustine Related Compound A RS](#), [USP Bendamustine Related Compound B RS](#), [USP Bendamustine Related Compound C RS](#), [USP Bendamustine Related Compound D RS](#), [USP Bendamustine Related Compound E RS](#), [USP Bendamustine Related Compound F RS](#), [USP Bendamustine Related Compound G RS](#), [USP Bendamustine Related Compound H RS](#), and [USP Bendamustine Related Compound I RS](#) in *Diluent*

**Sensitivity solution:** 2 µg/mL of [USP Bendamustine Hydrochloride RS](#) in *Diluent*, from the *Standard solution*

**System suitability**

**Samples:** *System suitability solution* and *Sensitivity solution*

**Suitability requirements**

**Resolution:** NLT 5 between the bendamustine related compound G and bendamustine peaks; NLT 4 between the bendamustine related compound H and bendamustine related compound I peaks, *System suitability solution*

**Signal-to-noise ratio:** NLT 10, *Sensitivity solution*

**Analysis**

**Sample:** *Sample solution*

Calculate the percentage of each impurity in the portion of Bendamustine Hydrochloride for Injection taken:

$$\text{Result} = (r_U / \{\Sigma [r_U \times (1/F)] + r_S\}) \times (1/F) \times 100$$

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

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

$r_S$  = peak area of bendamustine from the *Sample solution*

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

**Table 2**

Name	Relative Retention Time	Relative Response Factor	Acceptance Criteria, NMT (%)
Bendamustine related compound A	0.25	0.76	0.3

Name	Relative Retention Time	Relative Response Factor	Acceptance Criteria, NMT (%)
Bendamustine related compound B <sup>a</sup>	0.57	0.84	0.2
Bendamustine related compound C <sup>b</sup>	0.60	0.83	—
Bendamustine related compound D	0.69	0.93	0.6
Bendamustine related compound E	0.73	1.2	1.5
Bendamustine related compound F	0.88	0.61	0.5
Bendamustine related compound G <sup>b</sup>	0.90	3.1	—
Bendamustine	1.0	—	—
Bendamustine related compound H	1.15	0.98	0.9
Bendamustine related compound I <sup>b</sup>	1.20	1.1	—
Any individual unspecified impurity	—	1.0	0.2
Total impurities	—	—	3.5

<sup>a</sup> It is a free base of [USP Bendamustine Related Compound B RS](#): 4-(1-Methyl-5-morpholino-1H-benzimidazol-2-yl)butanoic acid.

<sup>b</sup> This process impurity is controlled in the drug substance monograph. It is included in the table for identification only, and it is not to be reported in the total impurities.

#### SPECIFIC TESTS

- [BACTERIAL ENDOTOXINS TEST \(85\)](#): Meets the requirements
- [STERILITY TESTS \(71\)](#): Meets the requirements
- [PARTICULATE MATTER IN INJECTIONS \(788\)](#): Meets the requirements for small-volume injections
- [pH \(791\)](#): 2.5–3.5 in a constituted solution prepared as directed in the labeling
- **OTHER REQUIREMENTS**: Meets the requirements in [Injections and Implanted Drug Products \(1\)](#).

#### ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- **PACKAGING AND STORAGE**: Preserve as described in [Packaging and Storage Requirements \(659\)](#), [Injection Packaging](#). Store at controlled room temperature.

- [LABELING \(7\)](#): Meets the requirements

- [USP REFERENCE STANDARDS \(11\)](#).

[USP Bendamustine Hydrochloride RS](#)

[USP Bendamustine Related Compound A RS](#)

4-{5-[Bis(2-hydroxyethyl)amino]-1-methyl-1H-benzimidazol-2-yl}butanoic acid.

$C_{16}H_{23}N_3O_4$  321.38

[USP Bendamustine Related Compound B RS](#)

4-(1-Methyl-5-morpholino-1H-benzimidazol-2-yl)butanoic acid hydrochloride.

$C_{16}H_{21}N_3O_3 \cdot xHCl$

[USP Bendamustine Related Compound C RS](#)

Ethyl 4-{5-[bis(2-hydroxyethyl)amino]-1-methyl-1H-benzimidazol-2-yl}butanoate.

$C_{18}H_{27}N_3O_4$  349.43

[USP Bendamustine Related Compound D RS](#)

4-{5-[(2-Chloroethyl)amino]-1-methyl-1H-benzimidazol-2-yl}butanoic acid.

$C_{14}H_{18}ClN_3O_2$  295.77

[USP Bendamustine Related Compound F RS](#)4-{5-[(2-Chloroethyl)(2-hydroxyethyl)amino]-1-methyl-1*H*-benzimidazol-2-yl}butanoic acid. $C_{16}H_{22}ClN_3O_3$  339.82[USP Bendamustine Related Compound F RS](#)Mannitol-1-yl 4-{5-[bis(2-chloroethyl)amino]-1-methyl-1*H*-benzimidazol-2-yl}butanoate. $C_{22}H_{33}Cl_2N_3O_7$  522.42[USP Bendamustine Related Compound G RS](#)4-[6-(2-Chloroethyl)-3,6,7,8-tetrahydro-3-methylimidazo[4,5-*h*][1,4]benzothiazin-2-yl]butanoic acid. $C_{16}H_{20}ClN_3O_2S$  353.86[USP Bendamustine Related Compound H RS](#)4-[5-({2-[(4-{5-[Bis(2-chloroethyl)amino]-1-methyl-1*H*-benzimidazol-2-yl}butanoyl)oxy]ethyl}(2-chloroethyl)amino)-1-methyl-1*H*-benzimidazol-2-yl]butanoic acid. $C_{32}H_{41}Cl_3N_6O_4$  680.07[USP Bendamustine Related Compound I RS](#)Ethyl 4-{5-[bis(2-chloroethyl)amino]-1-methyl-1*H*-benzimidazol-2-yl}butanoate. $C_{18}H_{25}Cl_2N_3O_2$  386.32**Auxiliary Information** - Please [check for your question in the FAQs](#) before contacting USP.

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