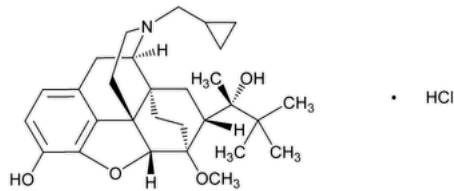


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Buprenorphine Hydrochloride

Change to read:



$C_{29}H_{41}NO_4 \cdot HCl$ 504.11
6,14-Ethenomorphinan-7-methanol, 17-(cyclopropylmethyl)- α -(1,1-dimethylethyl)-4,5-epoxy-18,19-dihydro-3-hydroxy-6-methoxy- α -methyl-, hydrochloride, [5 α ,7 α (S)]-;
21-Cyclopropyl-7 α -[(S)-1-hydroxy-1,2,2-trimethylpropyl]-6,14-endo-ethano-6,7,8,14-tetrahydrooripavine hydrochloride;
 Δ -(S)-2-[17-(Cyclopropylmethyl)-4,5 α -epoxy-3-hydroxy-6-methoxy-6 α ,14-ethanomorphinan-7 α -yl]- 3,3-dimethylbutan-2-ol hydrochloride Δ (USP 1-Aug-2022) CAS RN[®]: 53152-21-9; UNII: 56W8MW3EN1.

Change to read:

DEFINITION

Buprenorphine Hydrochloride contains NLT 98.0% and NMT 102.0% of buprenorphine hydrochloride ($C_{29}H_{41}NO_4 \cdot HCl$), calculated on the anhydrous Δ and solvent-free Δ (USP 1-Aug-2022) basis.

IDENTIFICATION

Change to read:

- **A. SPECTROSCOPIC IDENTIFICATION TESTS (197), Infrared Spectroscopy:** 197K Δ or 197A Δ (USP 1-Aug-2022)
- **B.** The retention time of the buprenorphine peak of the *Sample solution* corresponds to that of the *Standard solution*, as obtained in the Assay.
- **C. IDENTIFICATION TESTS—GENERAL (191), Chemical Identification Tests, Chloride**
Sample stock solution: 50 mg/mL of Buprenorphine Hydrochloride in [methanol](#)
Sample solution: 10 mg/mL of Buprenorphine Hydrochloride in carbon dioxide-free water from the *Sample stock solution*
Analysis: Use 3 mL of the *Sample solution*.
Acceptance criteria: Meets the requirements

ASSAY

Change to read:

- **PROCEDURE**
Buffer: 5.44 g/L of [monobasic potassium phosphate](#) prepared as follows. Initially dissolve in 90% volume of water, and adjust with 5% (v/v) [phosphoric acid](#) to a pH of 4.5. Dilute with water to volume.
Solution A: [Acetonitrile](#) and *Buffer* (10:90)
Solution B: [Acetonitrile](#)
Mobile phase: See [Table 1](#). Return to the initial conditions and re-equilibrate the system.

Table 1

Time (min)	Solution A (%)	Solution B (%)
0	89	11
2	89	11
12	64	36
15	41	59

Time (min)	Solution A (%)	Solution B (%)
20	39	61

Diluent: [Methanol](#) and water (80:20)

Standard solution: 2.0 mg/mL of [USP Buprenorphine Hydrochloride RS](#) in *Diluent*

Sample solution: 2.0 mg/mL of Buprenorphine Hydrochloride in *Diluent*

Chromatographic system

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

Mode: LC

Detector: UV 240 nm

Column: 4.6-mm × 10-cm; 3.5-μm packing [L1](#)

Column temperature: 30°

Flow rate: 1.3 mL/min

Injection volume: 5 μL

System suitability

Sample: *Standard solution*

Suitability requirements

Tailing factor: NMT 2.0

Relative standard deviation: NMT 0.73%

Analysis

Samples: *Standard solution* and *Sample solution*

Calculate the percentage of buprenorphine hydrochloride ($C_{29}H_{41}NO_4 \cdot HCl$) in the portion of Buprenorphine Hydrochloride taken:

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

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

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

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

C_U = concentration of Buprenorphine Hydrochloride in the *Sample solution* (mg/mL)

Acceptance criteria: 98.0%–102.0% on the anhydrous ▲ and solvent-free ▲ (USP 1-Aug-2022) basis

IMPURITIES

• [RESIDUE ON IGNITION \(281\)](#): NMT 0.1%

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• **ORGANIC IMPURITIES**

Buffer, Solution A, Solution B, and Mobile phase: Prepare as directed in the Assay.

System suitability solution: 5.0 mg/mL of [USP Buprenorphine System Suitability Mixture RS](#) in [methanol](#)

▲ **Sensitivity solution:** 2.5 μg/mL of [USP Buprenorphine Hydrochloride RS](#) in [methanol](#) ▲ (USP 1-Aug-2022)

Standard solution: 0.005 mg/mL of [USP Buprenorphine Hydrochloride RS](#) and 0.01 mg/mL of [USP Buprenorphine Related Compound A RS](#) in [methanol](#)

Sample solution: 5.0 mg/mL of Buprenorphine Hydrochloride in [methanol](#)

Chromatographic system: Proceed as directed in the Assay except for the *Column*.

Column: 4.6-mm × 5.0-cm; 3.5-μm packing [L1](#)

System suitability

Samples: *System suitability solution*, ▲ *Sensitivity solution*, ▲ (USP 1-Aug-2022) and *Standard solution*

Suitability requirements

Resolution: NLT 1.5 between buprenorphine and ethenobuprenorphine, *System suitability solution*

Relative standard deviation: NMT 5% for buprenorphine and buprenorphine related compound A, *Standard solution*

▲ **Signal-to-noise ratio:** NLT 10, *Sensitivity solution* ▲ (USP 1-Aug-2022)

Analysis

Samples: *Standard solution* and *Sample solution*

Calculate the percentage of buprenorphine related compound A in the portion of Buprenorphine Hydrochloride taken:

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

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

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

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

C_U = concentration of Buprenorphine Hydrochloride in the *Sample solution* (mg/mL)

Calculate the percentage of each other individual impurity in the portion of Buprenorphine Hydrochloride taken:

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

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

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

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

C_U = concentration of Buprenorphine Hydrochloride in the *Sample solution* (mg/mL)

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

Acceptance criteria: See [Table 2](#). The reporting threshold is 0.05%.

Table 2

Name	Relative Retention Time	Relative Response Factor	Acceptance Criteria, NMT (%)
Buprenorphine	1.0	—	—
Ethenobuprenorphine [▲] (USP 1-Aug-2022)	1.1	1.0	0.10
Buprenorphine related compound A	1.4	—	0.20
Buprenorphine 2,2'-dimer ^a	1.8	3.3	0.10
Any unspecified impurity	—	1.0	0.10
Total impurities	—	—	0.65

^a 2,2'-Bi{17-(cyclopropylmethyl)-4,5α-epoxy-3-hydroxy-7α-[(S)-2-hydroxy-3,3-dimethylbutan-2-yl]-6-methoxy-6α,14-ethanomorphinan}.

SPECIFIC TESTS

Change to read:

• **OPTICAL ROTATION** (781S), *Procedures, Specific Rotation*

Sample solution: 20 mg/mL in methanol

Acceptance criteria: −92° to −98°, [▲]calculated on the anhydrous and solvent-free basis [▲] (USP 1-Aug-2022)

• **ACIDITY OR ALKALINITY**

Sample stock solution: 50 mg/mL of Buprenorphine Hydrochloride in [methanol](#)

Sample solution: 10 mg/mL of Buprenorphine Hydrochloride in carbon dioxide-free water from *Sample stock solution*

Analysis: Add 0.05 mL of [methyl red TS 2](#) to 10 mL of *Sample solution* and titrate with 0.02 N sodium hydroxide or 0.02 N hydrochloric acid.

Acceptance criteria: NMT 0.2 mL of 0.02 N sodium hydroxide or 0.02 N hydrochloric acid is required to change the color of the indicator

• **WATER DETERMINATION** (921), *Method I*: NMT 1.0%

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

• **PACKAGING AND STORAGE:** Preserve in tight, light-resistant containers.

• **USP REFERENCE STANDARDS** (11).

[USP Buprenorphine Hydrochloride RS](#)

[USP Buprenorphine Related Compound A RS](#)

(S)-2-[17-(But-3-en-1-yl)-4,5α-epoxy-3-hydroxy-6-methoxy-6α,14-ethanomorphinan-7α-yl]-3,3-dimethylbutan-2-ol.

C₂₉H₄₁NO₄ 467.65

[USP Buprenorphine System Suitability Mixture RS](#)

Contains a mixture of the following two compounds:

Buprenorphine.
Ethenobuprenorphine (about 0.5%): (S)-2-[17-(Cyclopropylmethyl)-4,5α-epoxy-3-hydroxy-6-methoxy-6α,14-ethenomorphinan-7α-yl]-3,3-dimethylbutan-2-ol.
C₂₉H₃₉NO₄ 465.63

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