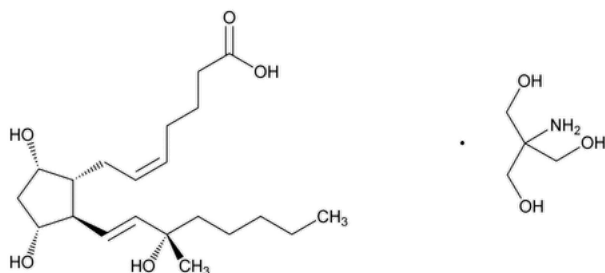


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Carboprost Tromethamine

Change to read:



$C_{21}H_{36}O_5 \cdot C_4H_{11}NO_3$ Δ 489.65 Δ (ERR 1-May-2021)

Prosta-5,13-dien-1-oic acid, 9,11,15-trihydroxy-15-methyl-, (5Z, 9 α ,11 α ,13E,15S)-, compound with 2-amino-2-(hydroxymethyl)-1,3-propanediol (1:1);

(Z)-7-[(1R,2R,3R,5S)-3,5-Dihydroxy-2-[(E)-(3S)-3-hydroxy-3-methyloct-1-enyl]cyclopentyl]-5-heptenoic acid compound with 2-amino-2-(hydroxymethyl)-1,3-propanediol (1:1);

(15S)-15-Methylprostaglandin $F_{2\alpha}$ tromethamine CAS RN[®]: 58551-69-2; UNII: U4526F86FJ.

DEFINITION

Carboprost Tromethamine contains NLT 95.0% and NMT 105.0% of carboprost tromethamine ($C_{21}H_{36}O_5 \cdot C_4H_{11}NO_3$), calculated on the dried basis.

[CAUTION—Great care should be taken to prevent inhaling particles of Carboprost Tromethamine and exposing the skin to it.]

IDENTIFICATION

- **A. SPECTROSCOPIC IDENTIFICATION TESTS.** (197), *Infrared Spectroscopy*: 197M
- **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

Buffer: 0.02 M monobasic potassium phosphate

Mobile phase: Acetonitrile, methanol, and *Buffer* (20:30:50). Adjust with phosphoric acid to an apparent pH of 3.0.

Diluent: Acetonitrile, methanol, and water (20:30:50)

Standard solution: 1.0 mg/mL of [USP Carboprost Tromethamine RS](#) in *Diluent*

Sample solution: 1.0 mg/mL of Carboprost Tromethamine in *Diluent*

Chromatographic system

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

Mode: LC

Detector: UV 200 nm

Column: 4-mm $\times$ 15-cm; 3- μ m packing L1

Column temperature: 30 $\pm$ 2°

Flow rate: 0.8 mL/min

Injection volume: 10 μ L

System suitability

Sample: *Standard solution*

[NOTE—See [Table 1](#) for the relative retention times of *trans*-carboprost and carboprost.]

Suitability requirements

Resolution: NLT 1.2 between *trans*-carboprost and carboprost

Tailing factor: NMT 2.0

Relative standard deviation: NMT 0.73%

Analysis

Samples: *Standard solution* and *Sample solution*

Calculate the percentage of carboprost tromethamine ($C_{21}H_{36}O_5 \cdot C_4H_{11}NO_3$) in the portion of Carboprost Tromethamine taken:

r_U = peak response from the *Sample solution*

r_S = peak response from the *Standard solution*

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

C_U = concentration of Carboprost Tromethamine in the *Sample solution* (mg/mL)

Acceptance criteria: 95.0%–105.0% on the dried basis

IMPURITIES

• **RESIDUE ON IGNITION (281):** NMT 0.5%

• **ORGANIC IMPURITIES**

Buffer, Mobile phase, and Diluent: Prepare as directed in the Assay.

Standard stock solution: 1.0 mg/mL of [USP Carboprost Tromethamine RS](#) in *Diluent*

System suitability solution: 0.1 mg/mL of 15-epicarboprost in the *Standard stock solution*

Standard solution: 0.025 mg/mL of [USP Carboprost Tromethamine RS](#) in *Diluent* from the *Standard stock solution*

Sensitivity solution: 0.001 mg/mL of [USP Carboprost Tromethamine RS](#) in *Diluent* from the *Standard stock solution*

Sample solution: 1 mg/mL of Carboprost Tromethamine in *Diluent*

Chromatographic system: Proceed as directed in the Assay, except use an *Injection volume* of 20 µL.

System suitability

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

[NOTE—See [Table 1](#) for the relative retention times.]

Suitability requirements

Resolution: NLT 1.0 between 15-epicarboprost and *trans*-carboprost; NLT 1.2 between *trans*-carboprost and carboprost, *System suitability solution*

Relative standard deviation: NMT 5.0% for carboprost, *Standard solution*

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

Analysis

Samples: *Standard solution* and *Sample solution*

Calculate the percentage of each impurity in the portion of Carboprost Tromethamine taken:

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

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

r_S = peak response of carboprost tromethamine from the *Standard solution*

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

C_U = concentration of Carboprost Tromethamine in the *Sample solution* (mg/mL)

Acceptance criteria: See [Table 1](#).

Table 1

Name	Relative Retention Time	Acceptance Criteria, NMT (%)
15-Epicarboprost ^a	0.90	2.0
<i>trans</i> -Carboprost ^b	0.94	3.0
Carboprost	1.0	—
Any individual unspecified impurity	—	0.10
Total impurities	—	4.0

^a (Z)-7-[(1R,2R,3R,5S)-3,5-Dihydroxy-2-[(E)-(3R)-3-hydroxy-3-methyloct-1-enyl]cyclopentyl]-5-heptenoic acid.

^b (E)-7-[(1R,2R,3R,5S)-3,5-Dihydroxy-2-[(E)-(3S)-3-hydroxy-3-methyloct-1-enyl]cyclopentyl]-5-heptenoic acid.

SPECIFIC TESTS

- [OPTICAL ROTATION, *Specific Rotation* \(781S\).](#)

Sample solution: 10 mg/mL of Carboprost Tromethamine in alcohol

Acceptance criteria: +18° to +24°

- [LOSS ON DRYING \(731\).](#)

Analysis: Dry under vacuum at a pressure not exceeding 5 mm of mercury at 50° for 16 h.

Acceptance criteria: NMT 1.0%

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- **PACKAGING AND STORAGE:** Preserve in well-closed containers, and store in a freezer.

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

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