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## Celecoxib

$C_{17}H_{14}F_3N_3O_2S$  381.4

4-[5-(4-Methylphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;

*p*-[5-*p*-Tolyl-3-(trifluoromethyl)pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide CAS RN®: 169590-42-5; UNII: JCX84Q7J1L.

### DEFINITION

Celecoxib contains NLT 98.0% and NMT 102.0% of  $C_{17}H_{14}F_3N_3O_2S$ , calculated on the anhydrous basis.

### IDENTIFICATION

**Change to read:**

- **A.** ▲ [SPECTROSCOPIC IDENTIFICATION TESTS \(197\)](#), [Infrared Spectroscopy](#): 197A, 197K or 197M ▲ (CN 1-May-2020)

[NOTE—If the spectra obtained show differences, dissolve the substance to be examined and the Reference Standard separately in isopropyl alcohol, evaporate to dryness, and record the new spectra.]

- **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:** 2.7 g/L of monobasic potassium phosphate adjusted with phosphoric acid to a pH of  $3.0 \pm 0.2$

**Mobile phase:** Methanol, acetonitrile, and *Buffer* (3:1:6)

**Diluent:** Methanol and water (3:1)

**System suitability solution:** 0.5 mg/mL of [USP Celecoxib RS](#) and 2.4 µg/mL each of [USP Celecoxib Related Compound A RS](#) and [USP Celecoxib Related Compound B RS](#) in *Diluent*

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

**Sample solution:** 0.5 mg/mL of Celecoxib in *Diluent*

#### Chromatographic system

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

**Mode:** LC

**Detector:** UV 215 nm

**Column:** 4.6-mm × 25-cm; 5-µm packing L11

**Column temperature:** 60°

**Flow rate:** 1.5 mL/min

**Injection size:** 25 µL

**Run time:** About 1.5 times the celecoxib peak elution

#### System suitability

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

#### Suitability requirements

**Resolution:** NLT 1.8 between celecoxib related compound A and celecoxib and NLT 1.8 between celecoxib and celecoxib related compound B, *System suitability solution*

**Relative standard deviation:** NMT 0.73%, *Standard solution*

#### Analysis

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

Calculate the percentage of  $C_{17}H_{14}F_3N_3O_2S$  in the portion of Celecoxib 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 the *Standard solution* (mg/mL)

$C_U$  = concentration of the *Sample solution* (mg/mL)

**Acceptance criteria:** 98.0%–102.0% on the anhydrous basis

## IMPURITIES

### INORGANIC IMPURITIES

- **RESIDUE ON IGNITION (281):** NMT 0.2%, using a platinum crucible

### ORGANIC IMPURITIES

#### PROCEDURE

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

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

#### System suitability

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

#### Suitability requirements

**Resolution:** NLT 1.8 between celecoxib related compound A and celecoxib and NLT 1.8 between celecoxib and celecoxib related compound B, System suitability solution

**Signal-to-noise ratio:** NLT 20, Standard solution

#### Analysis

**Samples:** Standard solution and Sample solution

Calculate the percentage of each impurity in the portion of Celecoxib taken:

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

$r_U$  = peak response for each impurity in the Sample solution

$r_S$  = peak response of celecoxib in the Standard solution

$C_S$  = concentration of celecoxib in the Standard solution (mg/mL)

$C_U$  = concentration of Celecoxib in the Sample solution (mg/mL)

#### Acceptance criteria

**Individual impurities:** See [Table 1](#). [NOTE—Disregard any impurity peak less than 0.05%.]

**Table 1**

Name	Relative Retention Time	Acceptance Criteria, NMT (%)
Celecoxib related compound A <sup>a</sup>	0.9	0.4
Celecoxib	1.0	—
Celecoxib related compound B <sup>b</sup>	1.1	0.10
Individual unspecified impurity	—	0.10
Total impurities	—	0.5

<sup>a</sup> 4-[5-(3-Methylphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide.

<sup>b</sup> 4-[3-(4-Methylphenyl)-5-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide.

## SPECIFIC TESTS

- **WATER DETERMINATION, Method I (921):** NMT 0.5%, using a 400-mg sample

## ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- **PACKAGING AND STORAGE:** Preserve in tight containers, protected from light and moisture. Store at room temperature.

- **USP REFERENCE STANDARDS (11)**

[USP Celecoxib RS](#)

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[USP Celecoxib Related Compound A RS](#)

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[USP Celecoxib Related Compound B RS](#)

4-[3-(4-Methylphenyl)-5-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide.

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