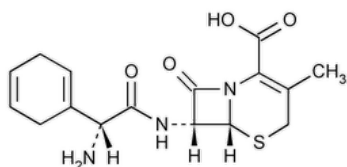


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Cephadrine



$C_{16}H_{19}N_3O_4S$ 349.40

5-Thia-1-azabicyclo[4.2.0]oct-2-ene-2-carboxylic acid, 7-[(amino-1,4-cyclohexadien-1-yl)acetyl]amino-3-methyl-8-oxo-, [6R-[6 α ,7 β (R*)]]-

(6R,7R)-7-[(R)-2-Amino-2-(1,4-cyclohexadien-1-yl)acetamido]-3-methyl-8-oxo-5-thia-1-azabicyclo[4.2.0]oct-2-ene-2-carboxylic acid CAS RN®: 38821-53-3.

Monohydrate 367.43 CAS RN®: 31828-50-9 (non-stoichiometric hydrate).

Dihydrate 385.44 CAS RN®: 58456-86-3.

» Cephadrine has a potency of not less than 900 μ g and not more than 1050 μ g of total cephalosporins per mg, calculated as the sum of cephadrine ($C_{16}H_{19}N_3O_4S$) and cephalixin ($C_{16}H_{17}N_3O_4S$), calculated on the anhydrous basis.

Packaging and storage—Preserve in tight containers.

Labeling—Where it is the dihydrate form, the label so indicates. Where the quantity of cephadrine is indicated in the labeling of any preparation containing Cephadrine, this shall be understood to be in terms of anhydrous cephadrine ($C_{16}H_{19}N_3O_4S$). Where it is intended for use in preparing injectable dosage forms, the label states that it is sterile or must be subjected to further processing during the preparation of injectable dosage forms.

USP Reference Standards (11)—

[USP Cephadrine RS](#)

[USP Cephalixin RS](#)

Change to read:

▲ **SPECTROSCOPIC IDENTIFICATION TESTS (197)**, *Infrared Spectroscopy*: 197K. ▲ (CN 1-May-2020)

CRYSTALLINITY (695): meets the requirements.

pH (791): between 3.5 and 6.0, in a solution containing 10 mg per mL.

WATER DETERMINATION, Method I (921): not more than 6.0%, except that if it is the dihydrate form, the limit is between 8.5% and 10.5%.

Limit of cephalixin—Using the chromatogram of the Assay preparation obtained in the Assay, calculate the percentage of cephalixin ($C_{16}H_{17}N_3O_4S$) in the portion of Cephadrine taken by the formula:

$$100(r_{ux}/r_u)$$

in which r_{ux} is the cephalixin peak response in the chromatogram obtained from the Assay preparation, and r_u is the sum of the cephalixin and cephadrine peak responses in the chromatogram obtained from the Assay preparation: not more than 5.0%, calculated on the anhydrous basis, is found.

Other requirements—Where the label states that Cephadrine is sterile, it meets the requirements for [Sterility](#) and [Bacterial endotoxins](#) under [Cephadrine for Injection](#). Where the label states that Cephadrine must be subjected to further processing during the preparation of injectable dosage forms, it meets the requirements for [Bacterial endotoxins](#) under [Cephadrine for Injection](#).

Assay—

Mobile phase—Prepare a mixture of water, methanol, 0.5 M sodium acetate, and 0.7 N acetic acid (782:200:15:3). Make adjustments if necessary (see [System Suitability](#) under [Chromatography \(621\)](#)). Filter the solution through a filter of 1 μ m or finer porosity, and degas before use.

Standard preparation—Dissolve an accurately weighed quantity of [USP Cephadrine RS](#) quantitatively in *Mobile phase* to obtain a solution having a known concentration of about 0.5 mg per mL.

Resolution solution—Prepare a solution in *Mobile phase* containing in each mL about 0.5 mg of [USP Cephadrine RS](#) and 0.5 mg of [USP Cephalixin RS](#).

Assay preparation—Transfer about 50 mg of Cephadrine, accurately weighed, to a 100-mL volumetric flask, add about 30 mL of *Mobile phase*, and sonicate. Dilute with *Mobile phase* to volume, and mix.

Chromatographic system (see [Chromatography \(621\)](#))—The liquid chromatograph is equipped with a 254-nm detector and a 4.6-mm × 25-cm column that contains packing L1. The flow rate is about 1 mL per minute. Chromatograph the *Resolution solution*, and record the peak responses as directed under *Procedure*: the relative retention times are about 0.8 for cephalixin and 1.0 for cephradine; and the resolution, *R*, between the cephalixin peak and the cephradine peak is not less than 2.0. Chromatograph the *Standard preparation*, and record the peak responses as directed under *Procedure*: the relative standard deviation for replicate injections is not more than 2.0%.

Procedure—Separately inject equal volumes (about 10 µL) of the *Standard preparation*, and the *Assay preparation* into the chromatograph, record the chromatograms, and measure the responses for the major peaks. Calculate the quantity, in µg, of total cephalosporins (sum of cephradine and cephalixin) in each mg of the Cephadrine taken by the formula:

$$100(CP/M)(r_U/r_S)$$

in which *C* is the concentration, in mg per mL, of [USP Cephadrine RS](#) in the *Standard preparation*; *P* is the designated potency, in µg per mg, of [USP Cephadrine RS](#); *M* is the quantity, in mg, of Cephadrine taken to prepare the *Assay preparation*; and *r_U* and *r_S* are the sums of the cephradine and cephalixin peak responses obtained from the *Assay preparation* and the *Standard preparation*, respectively.

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