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## Desloratadine Tablets

### DEFINITION

Desloratadine Tablets contain NLT 93.0% and NMT 105.0% of the labeled amount of desloratadine ( $C_{19}H_{19}ClN_2$ ).

### 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.
- **B.** The UV absorption spectra of the desloratadine peak of the *Sample solution* exhibit maxima and minima at the same wavelengths as those of the corresponding peak of the *Standard solution*, as obtained in the Assay.

### ASSAY

#### • PROCEDURE

Use amber, low-actinic glassware.

**Buffer:** Dissolve 4.35 g of dibasic potassium phosphate in 1 L of water. Adjust with phosphoric acid to a pH of 3.0.

**Mobile phase:** Methanol and *Buffer* (20:80)

**Diluent:** Methanol and water (90:10)

**Standard solution:** 0.02 mg/mL of [USP Desloratadine RS](#) in *Diluent*

**Sample stock solution:** Nominally 0.2 mg/mL of desloratadine, prepared as follows. Transfer NLT 20 Tablets into a suitable volumetric flask, add water to fill 10% of the flask volume, and allow the Tablets to disperse. Add methanol, about 50% of the flask volume, and stir for NLT 60 min. Allow the solution to cool to room temperature and dilute with methanol to volume. Centrifuge a portion of this solution and use the supernatant.

**Sample solution:** Nominally 0.02 mg/mL of desloratadine in *Diluent*, from *Sample stock solution*

#### Chromatographic system

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

**Mode:** LC

#### Detectors

**Assay:** UV 241 nm

**Identification B:** Diode array; UV 230–400 nm

**Column:** 4.6-mm × 15-cm; 5-μm packing L10

**Column temperature:** 30°

**Flow rate:** 1 mL/min

**Injection volume:** 20 μL

**Run time:** NLT 4.2 times the retention time of desloratadine

#### System suitability

**Sample:** *Standard solution*

#### Suitability requirements

**Tailing factor:** NMT 2.0

**Relative standard deviation:** NMT 2.0%

#### Analysis

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

Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of desloratadine ( $C_{19}H_{19}ClN_2$ ) in the portion of Tablets 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 Desloratadine RS](#) in the *Standard solution* (mg/mL)

$C_u$  = nominal concentration of desloratadine in the *Sample solution* (mg/mL)

**Acceptance criteria:** 93.0%–105.0%

## PERFORMANCE TESTS

### • [DISSOLUTION \(711\)](#)

**Medium:** 0.1 N hydrochloric acid; 500 mL

**Apparatus 2:** 50 rpm

**Time:** 45 min

**Standard solution:** 0.01 mg/mL of [USP Desloratadine RS](#) in *Medium*

**Sample solution:** Pass a portion of the solution under test through a suitable filter of 0.45-μm pore size. Discard the first 5 mL of the filtrate.

### Instrumental conditions

**Mode:** UV

**Analytical wavelength:** 282 nm

**Cell:** 1.0 cm

### Analysis

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

Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of desloratadine ( $C_{19}H_{19}ClN_2$ ) dissolved:

$$\text{Result} = (A_u/A_s) \times C_s \times V \times (1/L) \times 100$$

$A_u$  = absorbance of the *Sample solution*

$A_s$  = absorbance of the *Standard solution*

$C_s$  = concentration of [USP Desloratadine RS](#) in the *Standard solution* (mg/mL)

$V$  = volume of *Medium*, 500 mL

$L$  = label claim (mg/Tablet)

**Tolerances:** NLT 80% (Q) of the labeled amount of desloratadine ( $C_{19}H_{19}ClN_2$ ) is dissolved.

### • [UNIFORMITY OF DOSAGE UNITS \(905\)](#): Meet the requirements

## IMPURITIES

**Change to read:**

### • ORGANIC IMPURITIES

▲ Protect all solutions containing desloratadine from light. ▲ (ERR 1-May-2018)

**Solution A:** Dissolve 4.35 g of dibasic potassium phosphate in 1 L of water. Adjust with phosphoric acid to a pH of 3.2.

**Solution B:** Acetonitrile

**Solution C:** Methanol

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

**Table 1**

Time (min)	Solution A (%)	Solution B (%)	Solution C (%)
0	70	15	15
12	70	15	15
30	40	30	30
45	40	30	30
47	70	15	15

Time (min)	Solution A (%)	Solution B (%)	Solution C (%)
55	70	15	15

**Diluent:** Methanol and water (90:10)

**Standard solution:** 0.002 mg/mL each of [USP Desloratadine RS](#) and [USP Desloratadine Related Compound F RS](#) in *Diluent*

**Sensitivity solution:** 0.1 µg/mL of [USP Desloratadine RS](#) in *Diluent*

**Sample solution:** Nominally 0.2 mg/mL of desloratadine, prepared as follows. Transfer NLT 20 Tablets into a suitable volumetric flask, add 10% of the flask volume of water, and allow the Tablets to disperse. Add methanol, about 50% of the flask volume, and stir for at least 60 min. Allow the solution to cool to room temperature, and dilute with methanol to volume. Centrifuge a portion of this solution and use the supernatant.

#### Chromatographic system

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

**Mode:** LC

**Detector:** UV 241 nm

**Column:** 4.6-mm × 15-cm; 3-µm packing L7

**Column temperature:** 35°

**Flow rate:** 1 mL/min

**Injection volume:** 20 µL

#### System suitability

**Samples:** *Standard solution* and *Sensitivity solution*

#### Suitability requirements

**Column efficiency:** NLT 1500 theoretical plates for desloratadine, *Standard solution*

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

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

#### Analysis

**Samples:** *Standard solution*, *Sensitivity solution*, and *Sample solution*

Calculate the percentage of desloratadine related compound F in the portion of Tablets taken:

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

$r_U$  = peak response of desloratadine related compound F from the *Sample solution*

$r_S$  = peak response of desloratadine related compound F from the *Standard solution*

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

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

Calculate the percentage of any unspecified degradation product in the portion of Tablets taken:

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

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

$r_S$  = peak response of desloratadine from the *Standard solution*

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

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

**Acceptance criteria:** See [Table 2](#). Disregard peaks less than 0.05%.

**Table 2**

Name	Relative Retention Time	Acceptance Criteria, NMT (%)
Dechloro desloratadine <sup>a</sup>	0.37	— <sup>b</sup>
Desloratadine	1.00	—
Dehydro desloratadine <sup>c</sup>	1.4	— <sup>b</sup>
Desloratadine related compound F	1.8	0.30
Loratadine <sup>d</sup>	2.7	— <sup>b</sup>
Any unspecified degradation product	—	0.2
Total impurities	—	0.50

<sup>a</sup> 6,11-Dihydro-11-(piperidin-4-ylidene)-5*H*-benzo[5,6]cyclohepta[1,2-*b*]pyridine.

<sup>b</sup> Process impurity controlled in the drug substance monograph. Provided for information only; the content is not calculated and not reported.

<sup>c</sup> 8-Chloro-11-(piperidin-4-ylidene)benzo[5,6]cyclohepta[1,2-*b*]pyridine.

<sup>d</sup> 8-Chloro-6,11-dihydro-11-(1-ethoxycarbonylpiperidin-4-ylidene)-5*H*-benzo[5,6]cyclohepta[1,2-*b*]pyridine (loratadine).

#### ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

• **PACKAGING AND STORAGE:** Preserve in tight containers and store at controlled room temperature.

• **USP REFERENCE STANDARDS (11).**

[USP Desloratadine RS](#)

[USP Desloratadine Related Compound F RS](#)

8-Chloro-6,11-dihydro-11-(*N*-formyl-4-piperidinylidene)-5*H*-benzo[5,6]cyclohepta[1,2-*b*]pyridine.

C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>19</sub>ClN<sub>2</sub>O 338.83

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