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# Dicloxacillin Sodium Capsules

### DEFINITION

Dicloxacillin Sodium Capsules contain NLT 90.0% and NMT 120.0% of the labeled amount of dicloxacillin ( $C_{19}H_{17}Cl_2N_3O_5S$ ).

### IDENTIFICATION

- **A.** The retention time of the dicloxacillin peak of the *Sample solution* corresponds to that of the *Standard solution*, as obtained in the Assay.

### ASSAY

#### • PROCEDURE

**Buffer:** 2.72 g/L of monobasic potassium phosphate in water, adjusted with 8 N potassium hydroxide to a pH of  $5.0 \pm 0.1$

**Mobile phase:** Acetonitrile and *Buffer* (50:150)

**Standard solution:** 1.1 mg/mL of [USP Dicloxacillin Sodium RS](#) in *Buffer*. Use the *Standard solution* promptly, or refrigerate and use on the day prepared.

**Sample solution:** Nominally 1 mg/mL of dicloxacillin in *Buffer*, prepared as follows. Remove, as completely as possible, the contents of NLT 10 Capsules. Transfer a suitable portion of the powder to a volumetric flask, dilute with *Buffer* to volume, and mix for 10 min with the aid of a magnetic stirrer. Pass a portion of the solution through a suitable filter, discarding the first 5 mL of the filtrate. Use the clear filtrate. Use the *Sample solution* promptly, or refrigerate and use on the day prepared.

#### Chromatographic system

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

**Mode:** LC

**Detector:** UV 225 nm

**Column:** 4.6-mm  $\times$  25-cm; packing L1

**Flow rate:** 2 mL/min

**Injection volume:** 10  $\mu$ L

#### System suitability

**Sample:** *Standard solution*

#### Suitability requirements

**Column efficiency:** NLT 700 theoretical plates

**Tailing factor:** NMT 2.0

**Capacity factor:** 4–11

**Relative standard deviation:** NMT 2.0%

#### Analysis

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

Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of dicloxacillin ( $C_{19}H_{17}Cl_2N_3O_5S$ ) in the portion of Capsules taken:

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

$r_U$  = peak area from the *Sample solution*

$r_S$  = peak area from the *Standard solution*

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

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

$P$  = potency of dicloxacillin in [USP Dicloxacillin Sodium RS](#) ( $\mu$ g/mg)

$F$  = conversion factor, 0.001 mg/ $\mu$ g

**Acceptance criteria:** 90.0%–120.0%

### PERFORMANCE TESTS

**Change to read:**

- [DISSOLUTION \(711\)](#).

**Medium:** Water; 900 mL

**Apparatus 1:** 100 rpm

**Time:** 30 min

**Standard solution:** [USP Dicloxacillin Sodium RS](#) in *Medium*

**Sample solution:** Sample per the chapter. ▲ Pass a portion of the solution under test through a suitable filter. ▲ (ERR 1-Mar-2020) Dilute with *Medium* to a concentration that is similar to the *Standard solution*.

▲ **Instrumental conditions**

**Mode:** UV-Vis ▲ (ERR 1-Mar-2020)

**Tolerances:** NLT 75% (Q) of the labeled amount of dicloxacillin (C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>17</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>5</sub>S) is dissolved.

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

**SPECIFIC TESTS**

- [WATER DETERMINATION \(921\)](#), *Method I*: NMT 5.0%

**ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS**

- **PACKAGING AND STORAGE:** Preserve in tight containers.
- [USP REFERENCE STANDARDS \(11\)](#),  
[USP Dicloxacillin Sodium RS](#)

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