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# Diltiazem Hydrochloride Tablets

### DEFINITION

Diltiazem Hydrochloride Tablets contain NLT 90.0% and NMT 110.0% of the labeled amount of diltiazem hydrochloride ( $C_{22}H_{26}N_2O_4S \cdot HCl$ ).

### IDENTIFICATION

- A.** The UV-Vis spectrum of the major peak of the *Sample solution* corresponds to that of the *Standard solution*, as obtained in the Assay.
- 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**

**Solution A:** 0.79 g/L of ammonium bicarbonate in water. Adjust with diluted ammonia solution to a pH of 8.0.

**Solution B:** Acetonitrile

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

Table 1

Time (min)	Solution A (%)	Solution B (%)
0	95	5
2.0	95	5
5.0	60	40
13.0	60	40
16.0	30	70
20.0	30	70
20.1	95	5
25.0	95	5

**Diluent:** Acetonitrile and water (40:60)  
**Standard solution:** 0.05 mg/mL of [USP Diltiazem Hydrochloride RS](#) in *Diluent*  
**Sample stock solution:** Nominally 0.5 mg/mL of diltiazem hydrochloride from Tablets in *Diluent* prepared as follows. Transfer an appropriate portion of finely powdered Tablets (NLT 20) to a suitable volumetric flask. Add *Diluent* equivalent to 80% of the flask volume, and sonicate for 60 min. Dilute with *Diluent* to volume. Centrifuge the solution for 20 min. Use the supernatant.  
**Sample solution:** Nominally 0.05 mg/mL of diltiazem hydrochloride in *Diluent* from *Sample stock solution*  
**Chromatographic system**  
(See [Chromatography \(621\), System Suitability](#).)  
**Mode:** LC  
**Detector:** UV 240 nm. For *Identification* test A, use a diode-array detector in the range of 190–400 nm.  
**Column:** 2.1-mm × 15-cm; 1.7-μm packing L1  
**Flow rate:** 0.3 mL/min  
**Injection volume:** 2.0 μL  
**System suitability**  
**Sample:** *Standard solution*  
**Suitability requirements**  
**Tailing factor:** NMT 2.0  
**Relative standard deviation:** NMT 1.0%  
**Analysis**

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

Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of diltiazem hydrochloride ( $C_{22}H_{26}N_2O_4S \cdot HCl$ ) in the portion of Tablets taken:

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

$r_U$  = peak response of diltiazem from the *Sample solution*

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

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

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

**Acceptance criteria:** 90.0%–110.0%

## PERFORMANCE TESTS

### • [DISSOLUTION \(711\)](#)

**Medium:** Water; 900 mL

**Apparatus 2:** 75 rpm

**Time:** 30 min and 3 h

**Detector:** UV 237 nm

**Standard solution:** [USP Diltiazem Hydrochloride RS](#) in *Medium*

**Sample solution:** Sample per [Dissolution \(711\)](#). Dilute with *Medium* to a concentration that is similar to the *Standard solution*.

**Tolerances:** See [Table 2](#) for the 30-min time point. Use the criteria in [Dissolution \(711\)](#), *Acceptance Table 1* for the 3-h time point. NMT 60% (Q) of the labeled amount of diltiazem hydrochloride ( $C_{22}H_{26}N_2O_4S \cdot HCl$ ) is dissolved in 30 min, and NLT 75% (Q) is dissolved in 3 h.

**Table 2**

Stage	Acceptance Criteria
$S_1$	No unit is more than Q.
$S_2$	Average value is equal to or less than Q, and no unit is greater than Q + 10%.
$S_3$	Average value is equal to or less than Q, and NMT 2 units are more than Q + 10%, and no unit is more than Q + 25%.

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

## IMPURITIES

### • ORGANIC IMPURITIES

**Solution A, Solution B, Mobile phase, Diluent, and Chromatographic system:** Proceed as directed in the Assay.

**Standard solution:** 2.5 µg/mL each of [USP Desacetyl Diltiazem Hydrochloride RS](#) and [USP Diltiazem Hydrochloride RS](#) in *Diluent*

**Sample solution:** Nominally 0.5 mg/mL of diltiazem hydrochloride from Tablets in *Diluent* prepared as follows. Transfer an appropriate portion of the powdered Tablets (NLT 20) to a suitable volumetric flask. Add *Diluent* equivalent to 80% of the flask volume, and sonicate for 60 min. Dilute with *Diluent* to volume. Centrifuge the solution for 20 min. Use the supernatant.

### System suitability

**Sample:** *Standard solution*

[NOTE—See [Table 3](#) for the relative retention times.]

### Suitability requirements

**Resolution:** NLT 2.0 between desacetyl diltiazem and diltiazem

**Relative standard deviation:** NMT 3.0%

### Analysis

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

Calculate the percentage of desacetyl diltiazem in the portion of Tablets taken:

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

$r_U$  = peak response of desacetyl diltiazem from the *Sample solution*

$r_S$  = peak response of desacetyl diltiazem from the *Standard solution*

$C_S$  = concentration of [USP Desacetyl Diltiazem Hydrochloride RS](#) in the *Standard solution* (µg/mL)

$C_U$  = nominal concentration of diltiazem hydrochloride in the *Sample solution* (µg/mL)

Calculate the percentage of any individual unspecified impurity 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 diltiazem from the *Standard solution*

$C_S$  = concentration of [USP Diltiazem Hydrochloride RS](#) in the *Standard solution* (µg/mL)

$C_U$  = nominal concentration of diltiazem hydrochloride in the *Sample solution* (µg/mL)

**Acceptance criteria:** See [Table 3](#). The disregard limit is 0.05%.

Table 3

Name	Relative Retention Time	Acceptance Criteria, NMT (%)
Diltiazem related compound H <sup>a,h</sup>	0.44	—
Diltiazem related compound G <sup>b,h</sup>	0.52	—
Diltiazem related compound C <sup>c,h</sup>	0.58	—
Diltiazem related compound D <sup>d,h</sup>	0.61	—
Diltiazem related compound E <sup>e,h</sup>	0.66	—
Desacetyl diltiazem	0.75	1.5
Diltiazem related compound A <sup>f,h</sup>	0.83	—
Diltiazem related compound B <sup>g,h</sup>	0.89	—
Diltiazem	1.0	—
Any individual unspecified impurity	—	0.2
Total impurities	—	2.0

- <sup>a</sup> (2S,3S)-5-(2-Aminoethyl)-3-hydroxy-2-(4-hydroxyphenyl)-2,3-dihydro-1,5-benzothiazepine-4(5H)-one.
- <sup>b</sup> (2S,3S)-3-Hydroxy-2-(3-methoxyphenyl)-5-[2-(methylamino)ethyl]-2,3-dihydrobenzo[b][1,4]thiazepin-4(5H)-one.
- <sup>c</sup> (2S,3S)-5-[2-(Dimethylamino)ethyl]-2-(4-hydroxyphenyl)-4-oxo-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1,5-benzothiazepin-3-yl acetate.
- <sup>d</sup> (2S,3S)-2-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-5-[2-(methylamino)ethyl]-4-oxo-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1,5-benzothiazepine-3-yl acetate.
- <sup>e</sup> (2S,3S)-3-Hydroxy-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2,3-dihydro-1,5-benzothiazepine-4(5H)-one.
- <sup>f</sup> (2R,3S)-5-[2-(Dimethylamino)ethyl]-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-4-oxo-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1,5-benzothiazepine-3-yl acetate.
- <sup>g</sup> (2S,3S)-2-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-4-oxo-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1,5-benzothiazepine-3-yl acetate.
- <sup>h</sup> These are impurities related to the drug substance. They are not to be reported for the drug product and should not be included in the total impurities.

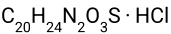
ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- **PACKAGING AND STORAGE:** Preserve in tight, light-resistant containers. Store at controlled room temperature.

**Change to read:**

- **USP REFERENCE STANDARDS (11).**

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