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Diphenhydramine Hydrochloride Oral Solution

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DEFINITION

Diphenhydramine Hydrochloride Oral Solution contains NLT 90.0% and NMT 110.0% of the labeled amount of diphenhydramine hydrochloride ($C_{17}H_{21}NO \cdot HCl$).

IDENTIFICATION

- **A.** The UV 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

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• **PROCEDURE**

Solution A: 11.24 g/L of [sodium perchlorate](#) monohydrate in [water](#). Add 1 mL of [trifluoroacetic acid](#) to each L of solution prepared.

Solution B: [Acetonitrile](#) and [trifluoroacetic acid](#) (1000:1)

Solution C: *Solution A* and *Solution B* (82:18)

Solution D: *Solution A* and *Solution B* (50:50)

Mobile phase:

See [Table 1](#).

Table 1

Time (min)	Solution C (%)	Solution D (%)
0	100	0
14.0	0	100
20.0	0	100
20.1	100	0
25.0	100	0

Diluent: [Acetonitrile](#) and [water](#) (18:82)

Standard stock solution: 1.0 mg/mL of [USP Diphenhydramine Hydrochloride RS](#) in *Diluent*

Standard solution: 0.25 mg/mL of [USP Diphenhydramine Hydrochloride RS](#) from the *Standard stock solution*

System suitability stock solution: 0.0125 mg/mL of [USP Diphenhydramine Related Compound A RS](#) prepared as follows. Transfer an appropriate amount of the Reference Standard to a volumetric flask. Add 5% of the flask volume of [acetonitrile](#) and dilute with *Diluent* to volume. Dilute this solution (1 in 10) with *Diluent*.

System suitability solution: 0.25 mg/mL of [USP Diphenhydramine Hydrochloride RS](#) and 0.00025 mg/mL of [USP Diphenhydramine Related Compound A RS](#) in *Diluent* from the *Standard stock solution* and *System suitability stock solution*, respectively

Sample solution: Nominally 0.25 mg/mL of diphenhydramine hydrochloride from a suitable volume of Oral Solution in *Diluent*. Pass a portion of the resulting solution through a suitable filter of 0.45-µm pore size, discarding the first few mL of filtrate. Use the filtrate.

Chromatographic system

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

Mode: LC

Detector: UV 220 nm. For *Identification A*, use a diode-array detector in the range of 200–400 nm.

Column: 4.6-mm × 15-cm; 5-µm packing [L1](#)

Column temperature: 35°

Flow rate: 1.2 mL/min**Injection volume:** 10 µL**System suitability****Samples:** *Standard solution* and *System suitability solution*

[NOTE—▲The relative retention times for diphenhydramine related compound A and diphenhydramine are 0.96 and 1.0, respectively.▲ (RB 1-Nov-2021)]

Suitability requirements**Resolution:** NLT 1.5 between diphenhydramine and diphenhydramine related compound A, *System suitability solution***Tailing factor:** 0.5–2.0, *Standard solution***Relative standard deviation:** NMT 2.0%, *Standard solution***Analysis****Samples:** *Standard solution* and *Sample solution*Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of diphenhydramine hydrochloride ($C_{17}H_{21}NO \cdot HCl$) in the portion of Oral Solution taken:

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

 r_U = peak response of diphenhydramine from the *Sample solution* r_S = peak response of diphenhydramine from the *Standard solution* C_S = concentration of [USP Diphenhydramine Hydrochloride RS](#) in the *Standard solution* (mg/mL) C_U = nominal concentration of diphenhydramine hydrochloride in the *Sample solution* (mg/mL)**Acceptance criteria:** 90.0%–110.0%**OTHER COMPONENTS**

- [ALCOHOL DETERMINATION \(611\)](#) (if present): 90.0%–110.0% of the labeled amount of ethanol (C_2H_5OH)

Delete the following:

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PERFORMANCE TESTS

- [DELIVERABLE VOLUME \(698\)](#): Meets the requirements

SPECIFIC TESTS

- [pH \(791\)](#): 3.5–5.5
- [MICROBIAL ENUMERATION TESTS \(61\)](#) and [TESTS FOR SPECIFIED MICROORGANISMS \(62\)](#): It meets the requirements of the test for the absence of *Escherichia coli*. The total aerobic microbial count does not exceed 10^2 cfu/mL. The total yeasts and molds count does not exceed 10^1 cfu/mL.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- **PACKAGING AND STORAGE:** Store at controlled room temperature.

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- [USP REFERENCE STANDARDS \(11\)](#)

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[USP Diphenhydramine Hydrochloride RS](#)

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[USP Diphenhydramine Related Compound A RS](#)

2-(Diphenylmethoxy)-N-methylethanamine hydrochloride.

 $C_{16}H_{19}NO \cdot HCl$ 277.79

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