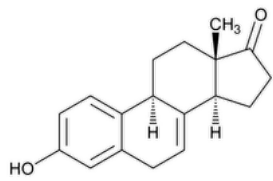


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Equilin



$C_{18}H_{20}O_2$ 268.35
Estra-1,3,5(10),7-tetraen-17-one, 3-hydroxy-;
3-Hydroxyestra-1,3,5(10),7-tetraen-17-one CAS RN®: 474-86-2; UNII: 08086EX0J4.

DEFINITION
Equilin contains NLT 97.0% and NMT 103.0% of equilin ($C_{18}H_{20}O_2$), calculated on the dried basis.

IDENTIFICATION
Change to read:
• A. ▲ [SPECTROSCOPIC IDENTIFICATION TESTS \(197\)](#), [Infrared Spectroscopy: 197K](#) ▲ (CN 1-MAY-2020)
Change to read:
• B. ▲ [SPECTROSCOPIC IDENTIFICATION TESTS \(197\)](#), [Ultraviolet-Visible Spectroscopy: 197U](#) ▲ (CN 1-MAY-2020)
Sample solution: 50 µg/mL in alcohol

ASSAY
• **PROCEDURE**
Mobile phase: Acetonitrile and water (35:65)
Internal standard solution: 35 µg/mL of phenol in acetonitrile
Standard solution: 0.2 mg/mL of [USP Equilin RS](#) in *Internal standard solution*
Sample solution: 0.2 mg/mL of Equilin in *Internal standard solution*
Chromatographic system
(See [Chromatography \(621\)](#), [System Suitability](#).)
Mode: LC
Detector: UV 280 nm
Column: 3.9-mm × 30-cm; packing L1
Flow rate: 2 mL/min
Injection volume: 20 µL

System suitability
Sample: *Standard solution*
[NOTE—The retention times for phenol and equilin are 3 and 14 min, respectively.]
Suitability requirements
Resolution: NLT 5 between equilin and phenol. Adjust the operating parameters such that the peak of the *Standard solution* is about 0.7 full-scale.
Relative standard deviation: NMT 2.0% for five replicate injections

Analysis
Samples: *Standard solution* and *Sample solution*
Calculate the percentage of equilin ($C_{18}H_{20}O_2$) in the portion of Equilin taken:

$$\text{Result} = (R_U/R_S) \times (C_S/C_U) \times 100$$

R_U = peak response ratio of equilin to the internal standard from the *Sample solution*

R_S = peak response ratio of equilin to the internal standard from the *Standard solution*

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

C_U = concentration of Equilin in the *Sample solution* (mg/mL)

Acceptance criteria: 97.0%–103.0% on the dried basis

IMPURITIES

- [RESIDUE ON IGNITION \(281\)](#): NMT 0.5%

SPECIFIC TESTS

- [OPTICAL ROTATION, Specific Rotation \(781S\)](#)

Sample solution: 20 mg/mL, in dioxane

Acceptance criteria: +300° to +316°

- [LOSS ON DRYING \(731\)](#)

Analysis: Dry under vacuum at 105° for 1 h.

Acceptance criteria: NMT 0.5%

- **CLARITY OF SOLUTION**

Sample solution: 1 mg/mL of Equilin prepared as follows. Add 100 mg to 100 mL of 1 N sodium hydroxide in a 125 mL conical flask.

Analysis: Heat the *Sample solution* on a steam bath until solution is complete, then cool, and transfer to a 100-mL color-comparison tube.

Acceptance criteria: The solution is clear.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- **PACKAGING AND STORAGE:** Preserve in tight, light-resistant containers.

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

[USP Equilin RS](#)

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