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## Erythromycin Topical Solution

» Erythromycin Topical Solution is a solution of Erythromycin in a suitable vehicle. It contains not less than 90.0 percent and not more than 125.0 percent of the labeled amount of  $C_{37}H_{67}NO_{13}$ .

**Packaging and storage**—Preserve in tight containers.

**USP REFERENCE STANDARDS (11)**—

[USP Erythromycin RS](#)

**Identification**—Prepare a test solution by mixing a portion of the Topical Solution with methanol to obtain a concentration of about 2.5 mg of erythromycin per mL. Proceed as directed in the [Identification](#) test under [Erythromycin Delayed-Release Capsules](#), beginning with "Prepare a Standard solution of [USP Erythromycin RS](#)."

**WATER DETERMINATION, Method I (921)**: not more than 8.0% if it contains 20 mg per mL, or not more than 5.0% if it contains 15 mg per mL, or not more than 2.0% if it contains acetone, 20 mL of a mixture of pyridine and methanol (1:1) being used in place of methanol in the titration vessel.

**ALCOHOL DETERMINATION, Method II (611)**: between 92.5% and 107.5% of the labeled amount of  $C_2H_5OH$ .

**Assay**—Proceed as directed under [Antibiotics—Microbial Assays \(81\)](#), using an accurately measured volume of Topical Solution diluted quantitatively with *Buffer B.3* to yield a *Test Dilution* having a concentration assumed to be equal to the median dose level of the Standard.

**Auxiliary Information** - Please [check for your question in the FAQs](#) before contacting USP.

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