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## Ethambutol Hydrochloride Compounded Oral Suspension

### DEFINITION

Ethambutol Hydrochloride Compounded Oral Suspension contains NLT 90.0% and NMT 110.0% of the labeled amount of ethambutol hydrochloride ( $C_{10}H_{24}N_2O_2 \cdot 2HCl$ ).

Prepare Ethambutol Hydrochloride Compounded Oral Suspension 100 mg/mL as follows (see [Pharmaceutical Compounding—Nonsterile Preparations \(795\)](#)).

Ethambutol Hydrochloride tablets <sup>a</sup> equivalent to	3 g of ethambutol hydrochloride
Vehicle: a 1:1 mixture of Ora-Plus <sup>b</sup> and Ora-Sweet SF <sup>b</sup> , a sufficient quantity to make	30 mL

<sup>a</sup> Ethambutol Hydrochloride 100-mg tablet(s), Lupin Pharmaceuticals, Baltimore, MD.

<sup>b</sup> Perrigo Laboratories, Allegan, MI.

Place the required number of tablets in a suitable container and comminute to a fine powder. Wet the powder with a small amount of *Vehicle* and triturate to make a smooth paste. Add the *Vehicle* to make the contents pourable. Transfer the contents stepwise and quantitatively to a calibrated container using the *Vehicle*. Add sufficient *Vehicle* to bring to final volume. Shake to mix well.

### ASSAY

#### • PROCEDURE

**Solution A:** 0.1% triethylamine in water, adjusted with phosphoric acid to a pH of 7.0. Pass through a nylon filter of 0.45- $\mu$ m pore size and degas.

**Mobile phase:** Acetonitrile and *Solution A* (50:50)

**Diluent:** 1.4 g/L of sodium phosphate in water adjusted with phosphoric acid to a pH of 6.8

**Standard stock solution:** 10 mg/mL of [USP Ethambutol Hydrochloride RS](#) in *Diluent*. Sonicate to mix well. Store at 2°–8°.

**Standard solution:** Transfer 0.25 mL of the *Standard stock solution* to a 5-mL volumetric flask, dilute with *Diluent* to volume, and mix well. Transfer an aliquot to a centrifuge tube, and centrifuge for 5 min at 14,000 rpm at 2°–8°. Transfer the supernatant to an amber vial and store at 2°–8°.

**Sample solution:** Transfer 2 mL of Oral Suspension to a 20-mL volumetric flask, dilute with *Diluent* to volume, and sonicate to mix well.

Transfer 0.25 mL of the resultant solution to a 5-mL volumetric flask, dilute with *Diluent* to volume, and mix well. Transfer an aliquot to a centrifuge tube, and centrifuge for 5 min at 14,000 rpm at 2°–8°. Transfer the supernatant to an amber vial and store at 2°–8°.

#### Chromatographic system

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

**Mode:** LC

**Detector:** UV-Vis 200 nm

**Column:** 4.6-mm × 25-cm; 5- $\mu$ m packing L10

**Temperatures**

**Autosampler:** 5°

**Column:** 30°

**Flow rate:** 1.3 mL/min

**Injection volume:** 50  $\mu$ L

#### System suitability

**Sample:** *Standard solution*

[NOTE—The retention time for ethambutol hydrochloride is about 3.7 min.]

**Suitability requirements****Tailing factor:** NMT 2.0**Relative standard deviation:** NMT 2.0% for replicate injections**Analysis****Samples:** Standard solution and Sample solutionCalculate the percentage of the labeled amount of ethambutol hydrochloride ( $C_{10}H_{24}N_2O_2 \cdot 2HCl$ ) in the portion of Oral Suspension taken:

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

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

- [pH \(791\)](#): 3.5–5.6

**ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS**

- **PACKAGING AND STORAGE:** Package in tight, light-resistant plastic containers. Store in a refrigerator or at controlled room temperature.
- **Beyond-Use Date:** NMT 90 days after the date on which it was compounded when stored in a refrigerator or at controlled room temperature
- **LABELING:** Label it to indicate that it is to be well shaken before use, and to state the *Beyond-Use Date*.
- [USP Reference Standards \(11\)](#)

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

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