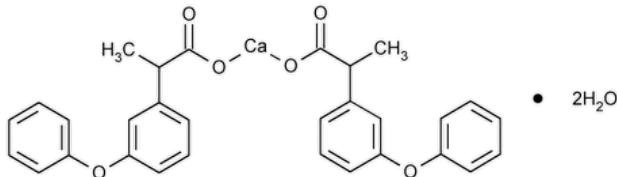


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Fenoprofen Calcium

Change to read:



$C_{30}H_{26}CaO_6 \cdot 2H_2O$ 558.63

Benzeneacetic acid, α -methyl-3-phenoxy-, calcium salt dihydrate, (\pm)-.

Calcium (\pm)-*m*-phenoxyhydratropate dihydrate CAS RN[®]: ▲71720-56-4▲ (ERR 1-Dec-2020); UNII: 0X2CW1QABJ.

Anhydrous 522.61 CAS RN[®]: 34597-40-5; UNII: 8R95A3O51K.

» Fenoprofen Calcium contains not less than 97.0 percent and not more than 103.0 percent of $(C_{15}H_{13}O_3)_2Ca$, calculated on the anhydrous basis.

Packaging and storage—Preserve in tight containers.

USP REFERENCE STANDARDS (11)—

[USP Fenoprofen Calcium RS](#)

Identification—

A: [Spectroscopic Identification Tests \(197\), Infrared Spectroscopy: 197K](#).

B: Heat a 1 in 50 mixture of it with acetic acid, filter, and add 2 mL of ammonium oxalate TS to the filtrate: a white precipitate, which is soluble in 3 N hydrochloric acid, is formed.

WATER DETERMINATION, Method I (921): between 5.0% and 8.0%.

Chromatographic purity—

Solution A—Prepare a filtered and degassed mixture of water and acetic acid (98:2).

Solution B—Prepare a filtered and degassed mixture of acetonitrile and acetic acid (98:2).

Mobile phase—Use variable mixtures of **Solution A** and **Solution B** as directed for **Chromatographic system**. Make adjustments if necessary (see **System Suitability** under [Chromatography \(621\)](#)).

Diluent: a mixture of water and acetonitrile (1:1).

System suitability solution—Dissolve accurately weighed quantities of 3-phenoxybenzoic acid and [USP Fenoprofen Calcium RS](#) in **Diluent** to obtain a solution containing about 0.02 mg of each per mL.

Standard solution—Dissolve an accurately weighed quantity of [USP Fenoprofen Calcium RS](#) in **Diluent** to obtain a solution having a known concentration of about 0.02 mg per mL.

Test solution—Transfer about 200 mg of Fenoprofen Calcium, accurately weighed, to a 100-mL volumetric flask, dissolve in and dilute with **Diluent** to volume, and mix.

Chromatographic system (see [CHROMATOGRAPHY \(621\)](#))—The liquid chromatograph is equipped with a 270-nm detector and a suitable 4.6-mm \times 25-cm column¹ that contains 5- μ m packing L7. The flow rate is 1.5 mL per minute. The chromatograph is programmed as follows.

Time (minutes)	Solution A (%)	Solution B (%)	Elution
0	70	30	equilibration
0–3	70	30	isocratic
3–41	70–10	30–90	linear gradient
41–42	10	90	isocratic
42–43	10–70	90–30	linear gradient

Time (minutes)	Solution A (%)	Solution B (%)	Elution
43–55	70	30	re-equilibration

Chromatograph the *System suitability solution*, and record the peak responses as directed for *Procedure*: the relative retention times are about 0.89 for 3-phenoxybenzoic acid and 1.0 for fenoprofen; the resolution, *R*, between 3-phenoxybenzoic acid and fenoprofen is not less than 9.0; and the tailing factor for the fenoprofen peak is not more than 2.0. Chromatograph the *Standard solution*, and record the peak responses as directed for *Procedure*: the tailing factor for the fenoprofen peak is not more than 2.0; and the relative standard deviation for replicate injections is not more than 2.0%.

Procedure—Separately inject equal volumes (about 20 μ L) of the *Standard solution* and the *Test solution* into the chromatograph, record the chromatograms, and measure the peak responses. Calculate the percentage of each impurity in the portion of Fenoprofen Calcium taken by the formula:

$$10,000(C/W)(r/r_s)$$

in which *C* is the concentration, in mg per mL, of [USP Fenoprofen Calcium RS](#) in the *Standard solution*; *W* is the quantity, in mg, of Fenoprofen Calcium taken to prepare the *Test solution*; *r* is the response for each impurity peak obtained from the *Test solution*; and *r_s* is the response of the fenoprofen peak obtained from the *Standard solution*: not more than 0.5% of any individual impurity is found; and not more than 2.0% of total impurities is found.

Content of calcium—

Test solution—Transfer about 750 mg of Fenoprofen Calcium, accurately weighed, to a 50-mL volumetric flask, dissolve in alcohol with the aid of heat, if necessary, cool, dilute with alcohol to volume, and mix.

Procedure—In a 150-mL beaker, mix 70 mL of water, 2 mL of sodium hydroxide solution (1 in 10), and about 0.3 g of hydroxy naphthol blue. Add about 1 mL of the *Test solution*, and titrate to the blue endpoint with 0.05 M edetate disodium. Transfer 10.0 mL of the *Test solution* to the solution so obtained, and titrate to the blue endpoint with 0.05 M edetate disodium VS. Each mL of 0.05 M edetate disodium is equivalent to 2.004 mg of Ca: not less than 7.3% and not more than 8.0% of Ca, calculated on the anhydrous basis, is found.

Assay—

Mobile phase—Prepare a suitable degassed mixture of acetonitrile, water, and phosphoric acid (50:49.6:0.4). Make adjustments if necessary (see *System Suitability* under [Chromatography \(621\)](#)).

Diluting solution—Prepare a mixture of methanol and water (700:300).

Resolution solution—Prepare a solution in *Diluting solution* containing about 1 mg of Fenoprofen Calcium and 1 mg of gemfibrozil per mL.

Standard preparation—Transfer about 70 mg of [USP Fenoprofen Calcium RS](#), accurately weighed, to a 100-mL volumetric flask, add 0.5 mL of 0.5 N hydrochloric acid and 2 mL of acetone, and dissolve by shaking. Dilute with *Diluting solution* to volume, and mix.

Assay preparation—Transfer about 70 mg of Fenoprofen Calcium, accurately weighed, to a 100-mL volumetric flask, add 0.5 mL of 0.5 N hydrochloric acid and 2 mL of acetone, and dissolve by shaking. Dilute with *Diluting solution* to volume, and mix.

Chromatographic system (see [CHROMATOGRAPHY \(621\)](#))—The liquid chromatograph is equipped with a 272-nm detector and a 4.6-mm \times 15-cm column that contains 5- μ m packing L7. The flow rate is about 2 mL per minute. Chromatograph the *Resolution solution*, and record the peak responses as directed for *Procedure*: the relative retention times are about 0.5 for fenoprofen and 1.0 for gemfibrozil; the tailing factor for the fenoprofen peak is not more than 2; and the resolution, *R*, between the fenoprofen peak and the gemfibrozil peak is not less than 8.

Chromatograph the *Standard preparation*, and record the peak responses as directed for *Procedure*: the column efficiency determined from the fenoprofen peak is not less than 3000 theoretical plates; and the relative standard deviation for replicate injections is not more than 2.0%.

Procedure—Separately inject equal volumes (about 20 μ L) of the *Standard preparation* and the *Assay preparation* into the chromatograph, record the chromatograms, and measure the responses for the major peaks. Calculate the quantity, in mg, of $(C_{15}H_{13}O_3)_2Ca$ in the portion of Fenoprofen Calcium taken by the formula:

$$100C(r_u/r_s)$$

in which *C* is the concentration, in mg per mL, of anhydrous fenoprofen calcium in the *Standard preparation*, as determined from the concentration of [USP Fenoprofen Calcium RS](#), corrected for moisture content by a titrimetric water determination; and *r_u* and *r_s* are the fenoprofen peak responses obtained from the *Assay preparation* and the *Standard preparation*, respectively.

¹ One suitable column brand is the Zorbax Eclipse XDB-C8.

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