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Fluvoxamine Maleate Tablets

DEFINITION

Fluvoxamine Maleate Tablets contain NLT 90.0% and NMT 110.0% of the labeled amount of fluvoxamine maleate ($C_{15}H_{21}F_3N_2O_2 \cdot C_4H_4O_4$).

IDENTIFICATION

- **A.** The retention time of the major peak of the *Sample solution* corresponds to that of the *Standard solution*, as obtained in the Assay.
- **B.** The UV spectrum of the major peak of the *Sample solution* corresponds to that of the *Standard solution*, as obtained in the Assay.

ASSAY

Change to read:

- **PROCEDURE**

Solution A: 8 g/L of [1-pentanesulfonic acid sodium salt](#) and ▲1.1▲ (ERR 1-May-2023) g/L of [monobasic potassium phosphate](#) in [water](#). Adjust with [phosphoric acid](#) to a pH of 3.00 ± 0.05 .

Mobile phase: [Acetonitrile](#) and **Solution A** (38:62)

System suitability solution: Transfer 6 mg of fluvoxamine maleate to a 50-mL volumetric flask. Heat the sample at 120° for 10 min. Cool to room temperature, and add 3.0 mL of [0.1 N hydrochloric acid](#). Heat the solution in a water bath for 10 min. Cool to room temperature, add 50 mg of fluvoxamine maleate, and dissolve in 25 mL of *Mobile phase*. Dilute with *Mobile phase* to volume.

Standard solution: 0.05 mg/mL of [USP Fluvoxamine Maleate RS](#) in *Mobile phase*

Sample stock solution: Nominally 1 mg/mL of fluvoxamine maleate from Tablets prepared as follows. Finely powder NLT 20 Tablets and transfer a portion of the powder to a suitable volumetric flask. Add 50% of the flask volume of *Mobile phase*. Sonicate for 15 min followed by mechanical shaking for 15 min. Dilute with *Mobile phase* to volume. Centrifuge a portion of this solution for 10 min.

Sample solution: Nominally 0.05 mg/mL from *Sample stock solution* diluted with *Mobile phase*. Pass through a filter of 0.45-μm or finer pore size.

Chromatographic system

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

Mode: LC

Detector: UV 234 nm. For *Identification B*, use a diode array detector in the range of 210–400 nm.

Column: 4.6-mm × 25-cm; 5-μm packing [L7](#)

Column temperature: 40°

Flow rate: 1.7 mL/min

Injection volume: 20 μL

Run time: NLT 2.5 times the retention time of fluvoxamine

System suitability

Samples: *System suitability solution* and *Standard solution*

[NOTE—See [Table 1](#) for relative retention times.]

Suitability requirements

Resolution: NLT 2.0 between Z-isomer and fluvoxamine maleate; NLT 5.0 between succinyl fluvoxamine and the Z-isomer, *System suitability solution*

Tailing factor: NMT 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 fluvoxamine maleate ($C_{15}H_{21}F_3N_2O_2 \cdot C_4H_4O_4$) in the portion of Tablets taken:

$$\text{Result} = (r_u/r_s) \times (C_s/C_u) \times 100$$

r_u = peak area from the *Sample solution*

r_s = peak area from the *Standard solution*

C_s = concentration of [USP Fluvoxamine Maleate RS](#) in the *Standard solution* (mg/mL)

C_U = nominal concentration of fluvoxamine maleate in the *Sample solution* (mg/mL)

Acceptance criteria: 90.0%–110.0%

PERFORMANCE TESTS

- **Dissolution (711)**

Medium: [Water](#); 900 mL, degassed

Apparatus 2: 50 rpm

Time: 30 min

Standard solution: [USP Fluvoxamine Maleate RS](#) in *Medium*

Sample solution: Centrifuge a portion of the solution under test, and dilute with *Medium*, if necessary. [NOTE—The use of a centrifuge speed of NLT 2000 rpm for NLT 10 min may be suitable.]

Instrumental conditions

(See [Ultraviolet-Visible Spectroscopy \(857\)](#).)

Mode: UV

Analytical wavelength: 246 nm

Analysis

Samples: *Standard solution* and *Sample solution*

When there are known interferences due to excipients, excipient interference corrections may be applied, as necessary.

Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of fluvoxamine maleate ($C_{15}H_{21}F_3N_2O_2 \cdot C_4H_4O_4$) dissolved:

$$\text{Result} = (A_U/A_S) \times C_S \times D \times V \times (1/L) \times 100$$

A_U = absorbance of the *Sample solution*

A_S = absorbance of the *Standard solution*

C_S = concentration of the *Standard solution* (mg/mL)

D = dilution factor for the *Sample solution*, if needed

V = volume of *Medium*, 900 mL

L = label claim (mg/Tablet)

Tolerances: NLT 80% (Q) of the labeled amount of fluvoxamine maleate ($C_{15}H_{21}F_3N_2O_2 \cdot C_4H_4O_4$) is dissolved.

- **Uniformity of Dosage Units (905):** Meet the requirements

IMPURITIES

- **Organic Impurities, Procedure 1**

Use *Procedure 1* when the impurity profile includes aminoethyl desmethoxy fluvoxamine, dealkyl benzyl fluvoxamine, or fluvoxamine maleamide.

Solution A, Mobile phase, System suitability solution, Standard solution, and System suitability: Proceed as directed in the *Assay*.

Sample solution: Use the *Sample stock solution*, prepared as directed in the *Assay*.

Chromatographic system: Proceed as directed in the *Assay*, except for the *Run time*.

Run time: NLT 6 times the retention of fluvoxamine

Analysis

Samples: *Standard solution* and *Sample solution*

Calculate the percentage of each degradation product in the portion of Tablets taken:

$$\text{Result} = (r_U/r_S) \times (C_S/C_U) \times (1/F) \times 100$$

r_U = peak area of each degradation product from the *Sample solution*

r_S = peak area of fluvoxamine from the *Standard solution*

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

C_U = nominal concentration of fluvoxamine maleate in the *Sample solution* (mg/mL)

F = relative response factor for each degradation product (see [Table 1](#))

Acceptance criteria: See [Table 1](#).

Table 1

| Name | Relative Retention Time | Relative Response Factor | Acceptance Criteria, NMT (%) |
|--|-------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| Maleic acid ^a | 0.19 | — | — |
| Succinyl fluvoxamine ^b | 0.50 | 1.0 | 0.8 |
| Aminoethyl fluvoxamine ^c | 0.67 | 0.71 | 0.2 |
| Z-isomer ^d | 0.79 | 1.0 | 0.5 |
| Fluvoxamine | 1.0 | — | — |
| Aminoethyl desmethoxy fluvoxamine ^e | 1.18 | 1.0 | 0.2 |
| Dealkyl benzyl fluvoxamine ^f | 1.74 | 1.0 | 0.2 |
| Desmethoxy fluvoxamine ^g | 2.00 | 1.0 | 0.2 |
| Fluvoxamine oxime ^h | 3.45 | 1.66 | 0.2 |
| Valerophenone analog ⁱ | 4.2 | 3.3 | 0.2 |
| Fluvoxamine maleamide ^j | 4.3 | 1.0 | 0.2 |
| Any individual unspecified degradation product | — | 1.0 | 0.1 |
| Total degradation products | — | — | 1.8 |

^a This is the counterion. It is not to be reported or included in the total degradation products for the drug product.

^b 5-Methoxy-1-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-1-pentanone (*E*)-O-[2-[(2-succinyl)amino]ethyl]oxime.

^c (*E*)-5-Methoxy-1-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]pentan-1-one-O-[2-[(2-aminoethyl)amino]ethyl] oxime.

^d (*Z*)-5-Methoxy-1-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]pentan-1-one O-(2-aminoethyl) oxime.

^e (*E*)-1-[4-(Trifluoromethyl)phenyl]pentan-1-one O-[2-[(2-aminoethyl)amino]ethyl] oxime.

^f (*E*)-2-Phenyl-1-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]ethan-1-one O-(2-aminoethyl) oxime.

^g (*E*)-1-[4-(Trifluoromethyl)phenyl]pentan-1-one O-(2-aminoethyl) oxime.

^h (E)-5-Methoxy-1-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]pentan-1-one oxime.

ⁱ 5-Methoxy-1-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)pentan-1-one.

^j (2Z,9E)-4-Oxo-10-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-8,15-dioxa-5,9-diazahexadeca-2,9-dienoic acid.

• **ORGANIC IMPURITIES, PROCEDURE 2**

Use *Organic Impurities, Procedure 2* when the impurity profile includes desfluoro fluvoxamine.

Solution A: 13.6 g/L of sodium acetate in [water](#)

Mobile phase: [Acetonitrile](#), methanol, and *Solution A* (30:15:55). To each L add 2 mL of triethylamine, and adjust with glacial acetic acid to a pH of 4.5.

Diluent: Methanol and [water](#) (60:40)

System suitability solution: Prepare as directed in the Assay.

Standard solution: 0.001 mg/mL of fluvoxamine maleate in *Diluent* prepared by dilution of the *Standard solution* in the Assay

Sample stock solution: Prepare as directed in the Assay.

Sample solution: Nominally 0.1 mg/mL of fluvoxamine maleate from *Sample stock solution* in *Diluent*

Chromatographic system

(See *Chromatography (621), System Suitability*.)

Mode: LC

Detector: UV 254 nm

Column: 4.6-mm \times 25-cm;

5- μ m packing [L7](#)

Column temperature: 40°

Flow rate: 2 mL/min

Injection volumes

System suitability solution: 20 μ L

Other solutions: 100 μ L

Run time: NLT 2.5 times the retention time of fluvoxamine

System suitability

Samples: *System suitability solution* and *Standard solution*

[NOTE—See [Table 2](#) for the relative retention times.]

Suitability requirements

Resolution: NLT 1.0 between Z-isomer and fluvoxamine, *System suitability solution*

Tailing factor: NMT 2.0, *Standard solution*

Relative standard deviation: NMT 5.0%, *Standard solution*

Analysis

Samples: *Standard solution* and *Sample solution*

Calculate the percentage of each degradation product in the portion of Tablets taken:

$$\text{Result} = (r_U/r_S) \times (C_S/C_U) \times (1/F) \times 100$$

r_U = peak area of each degradation product from the *Sample solution*

r_S = peak area of fluvoxamine from the *Standard solution*

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

C_U = nominal concentration of fluvoxamine maleate in the *Sample solution* (mg/mL)

F = relative response factor for each impurity (see [Table 2](#))

Acceptance criteria: See [Table 2](#).

Table 2

| Name | Relative Retention Time | Relative Response Factor | Acceptance Criteria, NMT (%) |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| Desfluoro fluvoxamine ^a | 0.58 | 1.0 | 0.2 |
| Succinyl fluvoxamine ^b | 0.70 | 1.0 | 1.2 |
| Aminoethyl fluvoxamine ^c | 0.75 | 1.0 | 0.2 |
| Z-isomer ^d | 0.85 | 0.5 | 0.5 |
| Fluvoxamine | 1.0 | — | — |
| Desmethoxy fluvoxamine ^e | 1.86 | 1.0 | 0.2 |
| Fluvoxamine oxime ^f | 1.99 | 1.0 | 0.2 |

| Name | Relative Retention Time | Relative Response Factor | Acceptance Criteria, NMT (%) |
|--|-------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| Valerophenone analog ^g | 2.17 | 1.0 | 0.2 |
| Any individual unspecified degradation product | — | 1.0 | 0.2 |
| Total degradation products | — | — | 1.5 |

^a (E)-1-[4-(Difluoromethyl)phenyl]-5-methoxypentan-1-one O-(2-aminoethyl) oxime.

^b 5-Methoxy-1-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-1-pentanone (E)-O-[2-[(2-succinyl)amino]ethyl]oxime.

^c (E)-5-Methoxy-1-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]pentan-1-one-O-[2-[(2-aminoethyl)amino]ethyl] oxime.

^d (Z)-5-Methoxy-1-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]pentan-1-one O-(2-aminoethyl) oxime.

^e (E)-1-[4-(Trifluoromethyl)phenyl]pentan-1-one O-(2-aminoethyl) oxime.

^f (E)-5-Methoxy-1-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]pentan-1-one oxime.

^g 5-Methoxy-1-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)pentan-1-one.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- **PACKAGING AND STORAGE:**

Preserve in tight containers. Store at controlled room temperature.

• **LABELING:** The labeling indicates which test for *Organic Impurities* is used only if *Procedure 1* is not used.

- **USP REFERENCE STANDARDS (11)**

[USP Fluvoxamine Maleate RS](#)

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