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## Hexylresorcinol Lozenges

### DEFINITION

Hexylresorcinol Lozenges contain NLT 90.0% and NMT 110.0% of the labeled amount of hexylresorcinol ( $C_{12}H_{18}O_2$ ).

### 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.

### ASSAY

#### • PROCEDURE

**Buffer:** Dissolve 3.4 g of monobasic potassium phosphate in 850 mL of water. Adjust with phosphoric acid to a pH of  $3.0 \pm 0.05$ , dilute with water to 1000 mL, mix, and pass through a suitable filter of 0.5- $\mu$ m or finer pore size.

**Mobile phase:** Methanol and **Buffer** (65:35)

**Internal standard solution:** 0.25 mg/mL of hexanophenone in *Mobile phase*

**Standard stock solution:** 0.4 mg/mL of [USP Hexylresorcinol RS](#) in *Mobile phase*

**Standard solution:** Transfer 10.0 mL of *Standard stock solution* and 10.0 mL of *Internal standard solution* to a 50-mL volumetric flask, and dilute with *Mobile phase* to volume. This solution contains 0.08 mg/mL of [USP Hexylresorcinol RS](#).

**Sample solution:** Nominally 0.08 mg/mL of hexylresorcinol prepared as follows. Transfer the equivalent to 4 mg of hexylresorcinol from Lozenges (NLT 20 Lozenges, weighed and pulverized) to a 50-mL volumetric flask. Add 10.0 mL of *Internal standard solution* and 20 mL of *Mobile phase*, and shake until dissolved. Dilute with *Mobile phase* to 50 mL, and mix. Pass a portion of this solution through a suitable filter of 0.5- $\mu$ m or finer pore size, and use the filtrate.

### Chromatographic system

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

**Mode:** LC

**Detector:** UV 280 nm

**Column:** 4.6-mm  $\times$  15-cm; packing L7

**Column temperature:**  $37 \pm 2^\circ$

**Flow rate:** 1.5 mL/min

**Injection volume:** 10  $\mu$ L

### System suitability

**Samples:** *Standard solution* and *Sample solution*

[**NOTE**—The relative retention times for hexylresorcinol and hexanophenone are 0.6 and 1.0, respectively.]

### Suitability requirements

**Resolution:** NLT 1.2 between the hexylresorcinol peak and the nearest adjacent peak, *Sample solution*

**Column efficiency:** NLT 1500 theoretical plates, *Standard solution*

**Tailing factor:** 0.9–1.4, *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 hexylresorcinol ( $C_{12}H_{18}O_2$ ) in the portion of Lozenges taken:

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

$R_U$  = peak response ratio of hexylresorcinol to hexanophenone in the *Sample solution*

$R_S$  = peak response ratio of hexylresorcinol to hexanophenone in the *Standard solution*

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

$C_U$  = nominal concentration of hexylresorcinol in the *Sample solution* (mg/mL)**Acceptance criteria:** 90.0%–110.0%**PERFORMANCE TESTS**

- **UNIFORMITY OF DOSAGE UNITS (905)**: Meet the requirements

**ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS**

- **PACKAGING AND STORAGE**: Preserve in well-closed containers.
- **USP REFERENCE STANDARDS (11)**  
[USP Hexylresorcinol RS](#)

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