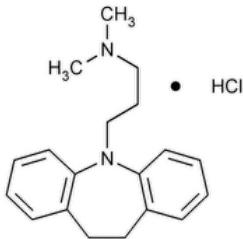


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## Imipramine Hydrochloride



$C_{19}H_{24}N_2 \cdot HCl$  316.87

5H-Dibenz[b,f]azepine-5-propanamine, 10,11-dihydro-*N,N*-dimethyl-, monohydrochloride.

5-3-(Dimethylamino)propyl-10,11-dihydro-5H-dibenz[b,f]-azepine monohydrochloride CAS RN®: 113-52-0; UNII: BKE5Q1J60U.

» Imipramine Hydrochloride contains not less than 98.0 percent and not more than 102.0 percent of  $C_{19}H_{24}N_2 \cdot HCl$ , calculated on the dried basis.

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

**USP REFERENCE STANDARDS (11)**—

[USP Desipramine Hydrochloride RS](#)

[USP Imipramine Hydrochloride RS](#)

[USP Iminodibenzyl RS](#)  $C_{14}H_{13}N$  195.28

**Identification**—

**Change to read:**

**A:** ▲[Spectroscopic Identification Tests \(197\), Infrared Spectroscopy: 197K](#)▲ (CN 1-May-2020) .

**B:** The retention time of the major peak in the chromatogram of the *Assay preparation* corresponds to that in the chromatogram of the *Standard preparation*, as obtained in the *Assay*.

**C:** Dissolve 0.10 g in 2 mL of alcohol, and add 1 mL of 2 N nitric acid and 3 drops of silver nitrate TS: a white precipitate is formed, and it dissolves on the dropwise addition of ammonium hydroxide.

**Loss on drying (731)**—Dry it at 105° for 2 hours: it loses not more than 0.5% of its weight.

**Residue on ignition (281)**: not more than 0.1%.

**Related compounds**—[NOTE—Use low-actinic glassware throughout the following procedure.]

*Mobile phase, System suitability solution, Standard preparation, and Chromatographic system*—Proceed as directed in the *Assay*.

*Standard solution*—Dissolve accurately weighed quantities of [USP Imipramine Hydrochloride RS](#) and [USP Iminodibenzyl RS](#) in acetonitrile, and dilute with a mixture of water and acetonitrile (5:3) to obtain a solution having known concentrations of about 2.5 µg of each component per mL.

*Test solution*—Transfer about 63 mg of Imipramine Hydrochloride, accurately weighed, to a 50-mL volumetric flask, dissolve in and dilute with a mixture of water and acetonitrile (5:3), and mix.

*Procedure*—Separately inject equal volumes (about 20 µL) of the *Standard solution* and the *Test solution* into the chromatograph, record the chromatograms, and measure the peak responses. The relative retention times are about 0.8 for *N*-(dimethylaminopropyl) iminostilbene and 1.0 for imipramine. Calculate the percentage of iminodibenzyl in the portion of Imipramine Hydrochloride taken by the formula:

$$5(C/W)(r_u/r_s)$$

in which *C* is the concentration, in µg per mL, of [USP Iminodibenzyl RS](#) in the *Standard solution*; *W* is the weight, in mg, of Imipramine Hydrochloride taken to prepare the *Test solution*; and  $r_u$  and  $r_s$  are the iminodibenzyl peak responses obtained from the *Test solution* and the *Standard solution*, respectively: not more than 0.1% of iminodibenzyl is found. Calculate the percentage of each other impurity in the portion

of Imipramine Hydrochloride taken by the formula:

$$5(C/W)(r_i/r_s)$$

in which C is the concentration, in  $\mu\text{g}$  per mL, of [USP Imipramine Hydrochloride RS](#) in the *Standard solution*; W is the weight, in mg, of Imipramine Hydrochloride taken to prepare the *Test solution*;  $r_i$  is the peak response of each individual impurity, excluding iminodibenzyl, obtained from the *Test solution*, and  $r_s$  is the peak response of imipramine obtained from the *Standard solution*: not more than 0.1% of *N*-(dimethylaminopropyl)iminostilbene is found; not more than 0.2% of any other impurity is found; and the total of all impurities found is not more than 1.0%.

**Assay**—[**NOTE**—Use low-actinic glassware throughout the following procedure.]

**Mobile phase**—Prepare a filtered and degassed mixture of 0.06 M sodium perchlorate, acetonitrile, and triethylamine (625:375:1), and adjust with perchloric acid to a pH of 2.0. Make adjustments if necessary (see [System Suitability](#) under [Chromatography \(621\)](#)).

**System suitability solution**—Transfer about 15 mg of [USP Imipramine Hydrochloride RS](#) and about 15 mg of [USP Desipramine Hydrochloride RS](#), accurately weighed, to a 50-mL volumetric flask, dissolve in and dilute with a mixture of water and acetonitrile (5:3) to volume, and mix.

**Standard preparation**—Dissolve an accurately weighed quantity of [USP Imipramine Hydrochloride RS](#) in a mixture of water and acetonitrile (5:3) to obtain a solution having a known concentration of about 0.3 mg per mL.

**Assay preparation**—Transfer about 30 mg of Imipramine Hydrochloride, accurately weighed, to a 100-mL volumetric flask, dissolve in and dilute with a mixture of water and acetonitrile (5:3) to volume, and mix.

**Chromatographic system** (see [Chromatography \(621\)](#))—The liquid chromatograph is equipped with a 269-nm detector and a 3.9-mm  $\times$  30-cm column that contains packing L1. The column temperature is maintained at 40°, and the flow rate is about 1.5 mL per minute. Chromatograph the *System suitability solution*, and record the peak responses as directed for *Procedure*: the resolution, R, between the imipramine and desipramine peaks is not less than 1.3. Chromatograph the *Standard preparation*, and record the peak responses as directed for *Procedure*: the relative standard deviation for replicate injections is not more than 2.0% for imipramine.

**Procedure**—Separately inject equal volumes (about 20  $\mu\text{L}$ ) of the *Standard preparation* and the *Assay preparation* into the chromatograph, record the chromatograms, and measure the peak responses. Calculate the quantity, in mg, of  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{24}\text{N}_2 \cdot \text{HCl}$  in the portion of Imipramine Hydrochloride taken by the formula:

$$100C(r_u/r_s)$$

in which C is the concentration, in mg per mL, of [USP Imipramine Hydrochloride RS](#) in the *Standard preparation*; and  $r_u$  and  $r_s$  are the imipramine peak responses obtained from the *Assay preparation* and the *Standard preparation*, respectively.

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