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Kanamycin Injection

DEFINITION
Kanamycin Injection contains an amount of kanamycin sulfate equivalent to NLT 90.0% and NMT 115.0% of the labeled amount of kanamycin ($C_{18}H_{36}N_4O_{11}$). It contains suitable buffers and preservatives.

- IDENTIFICATION**
- A. [THIN-LAYER CHROMATOGRAPHIC IDENTIFICATION TEST \(201\)](#).**
Sample solution: 1 mg/mL of kanamycin from Injection in water
Chromatographic system
Adsorbent: 0.25-mm layer of chromatographic silica gel mixture, heated at 110° for 1 h and cooled immediately before use
Application volume: 10 µL
Developing solvent system: 150 mg/mL of monobasic potassium phosphate in water
Spray reagent: 10 mg/mL of ninhydrin in butyl alcohol
Analysis: Proceed as directed in the chapter. Allow the spots to dry, and develop in a chamber previously equilibrated for 18 h with the *Developing solvent system*. Remove the plate from the chamber, and air-dry. Spray the plate with *Spray reagent*, and dry at 110° for 10 min.
Acceptance criteria: Meets the requirements
 - B.** The retention time of the kanamycin peak of the *Sample solution* corresponds to that of the *Standard solution*, as obtained in the Assay.

- ASSAY**
- PROCEDURE**
Mobile phase: 0.115 N sodium hydroxide solution
System suitability solution: 20 µg/mL of [USP Amikacin RS](#) and 8 µg/mL of [USP Kanamycin Sulfate RS](#) in water
Standard solution: 8 µg/mL of [USP Kanamycin Sulfate RS](#) in water
Sample solution: Nominally 6 µg/mL of kanamycin from Injection in water
Chromatographic system
(See [Chromatography \(621\), System Suitability](#).)
Mode: LC
Detector: Electrochemical
Mode: Integrated amperometric
Range: 300 nC
Output: 1 V full-scale
Electrodes
Indicator: Gold
Reference: pH silver–silver chloride
Waveform: See [Table 1](#).

Table 1

Time (s)	Potential (V)	Integration
0.00	+0.04	—
0.30	+0.04	Begin
0.50	+0.04	End

Time (s)	Potential (V)	Integration
0.51	+0.80	—
0.70	+0.80	—
0.71	−0.80	—
0.90	−0.80	—

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Guard: Packing L47

Analytical: 4-mm × 25-cm; packing L47

Flow rate: 0.5 mL/min

Injection volume: 20 µL

System suitability

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

[NOTE—The relative retention times for kanamycin and amikacin are about 1.0 and 1.3, respectively.]

Suitability requirements

Resolution: NLT 3 between kanamycin and amikacin, *System suitability solution*

Tailing factor: NMT 2, *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 kanamycin ($C_{18}H_{36}N_4O_{11}$) in the portion of Injection taken:

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

r_U = peak area from the *Sample solution*

r_S = peak area from the *Standard solution*

C_S = concentration of [USP Kanamycin Sulfate RS](#) in the *Standard solution* (µg/mL)

C_U = nominal concentration of kanamycin in the *Sample solution* (µg/mL)

P = potency of kanamycin in [USP Kanamycin Sulfate RS](#) (µg/mg)

F = conversion factor, 0.001 mg/µg

Acceptance criteria: 90.0%–115.0%

SPECIFIC TESTS

- **pH** (791): 3.5–5.0
- **BACTERIAL ENDOTOXINS TEST** (85): NMT 0.67 USP Endotoxin Unit/mg of kanamycin
- **STERILITY TESTS** (71): It meets the requirements when tested as directed in [Test for Sterility of the Product to Be Examined, Membrane Filtration](#).
- **PARTICULATE MATTER IN INJECTIONS** (788): Meets the requirements for small-volume injections
- **OTHER REQUIREMENTS:** It meets the requirements in [Injections and Implanted Drug Products](#) (1).

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- **PACKAGING AND STORAGE:** Preserve in single-dose or multiple-dose containers, preferably of Type I or Type III glass.
- **USP REFERENCE STANDARDS** (11):
[USP Amikacin RS](#)
[USP Kanamycin Sulfate RS](#)

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