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Labetalol Hydrochloride Injection

» Labetalol Hydrochloride Injection is a sterile solution of Labetalol Hydrochloride in Water for Injection. It contains not less than 90.0 percent and not more than 110.0 percent of the labeled amount of labetalol hydrochloride ($C_{19}H_{24}N_2O_3 \cdot HCl$).

Packaging and storage—Preserve in single-dose containers, or in multiple-dose containers not exceeding 60 mL in volume, preferably of Type I glass, at a temperature between 2° and 30°. Avoid freezing and exposure to light.

USP REFERENCE STANDARDS (11)—

[USP Labetalol Hydrochloride RS](#)

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

BACTERIAL ENDOTOXINS TEST (85)—It contains not more than 1.2 USP Endotoxin Units per mg of labetalol hydrochloride.

pH (791): between 3.0 and 4.5.

Other requirements—It meets the requirements under [Injections and Implanted Drug Products \(1\)](#).

Assay—

Mobile phase—Prepare a suitable filtered and degassed mixture of 0.1 M monobasic sodium phosphate and methanol (65:35). Make adjustments if necessary (see [System Suitability](#) under [Chromatography \(621\)](#)).

Standard preparation—Dissolve an accurately weighed quantity of [USP Labetalol Hydrochloride RS](#) in **Mobile phase** to obtain a solution having a known concentration of about 0.5 mg per mL.

Resolution solution—Dissolve a quantity of methylparaben in the **Standard preparation** to obtain a solution containing about 0.08 mg per mL.

Assay preparation—Transfer an accurately measured volume of **Injection**, equivalent to about 50 mg of labetalol hydrochloride, to a 100-mL volumetric flask, dilute with **Mobile phase** to volume, and mix.

Chromatographic system (see [Chromatography \(621\)](#))—The liquid chromatograph is equipped with a 254-nm detector and a 4.6-mm × 20-cm column that contains packing L1 and is maintained at $60 \pm 1^\circ$. The flow rate is about 1.5 mL per minute. Chromatograph the **Standard preparation**, and record the peak responses as directed for **Procedure**: the column efficiency determined from the analyte peak is not less than 700 theoretical plates; the tailing factor for the analyte peak is not more than 2.0; and the relative standard deviation for replicate injections is not more than 1.5%. Chromatograph the **Resolution solution**, and record the peak responses as directed for **Procedure**: the relative retention times are about 0.6 for methylparaben and 1.0 for labetalol; and the resolution, R , between the methylparaben and labetalol is not less than 2.0.

Procedure—Separately inject equal volumes (about 5 μ L) of the **Standard preparation** and the **Assay preparation** into the chromatograph, record the chromatograms, and measure the area responses for the major peaks. Calculate the quantity, in mg, of labetalol hydrochloride ($C_{19}H_{24}N_2O_3 \cdot HCl$) in each mL of the **Injection** taken by the formula:

$$100(C/V)(r_u/r_s)$$

in which C is the concentration, in mg per mL, of [USP Labetalol Hydrochloride RS](#) in the **Standard preparation**; V is the volume, in mL, of **Injection** taken; and r_u and r_s are the peak area responses obtained from the **Assay preparation** and the **Standard preparation**, respectively.

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