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## Lansoprazole Delayed-Release Capsules

### DEFINITION

Lansoprazole Delayed-Release Capsules contain NLT 90.0% and NMT 110.0% of the labeled amount of lansoprazole ( $C_{16}H_{14}F_3N_3O_2S$ ).

### IDENTIFICATION

- A. [SPECTROSCOPIC IDENTIFICATION TESTS \(197\), Ultraviolet-Visible Spectroscopy: 197U](#)

[NOTE—The UV spectra of the major peaks of the *Sample solution* and the *Standard solution* as obtained in the Assay may also be used to meet the Acceptance criteria.]

**Standard solution:** 10  $\mu$ g/mL of [USP Lansoprazole RS](#) in [methanol](#)

**Sample solution:** Nominally equivalent to 10  $\mu$ g/mL of lansoprazole prepared as follows. Powder a portion of Capsule contents equivalent to 5 mg of lansoprazole. Add 5 mL of [methanol](#), shake well, and centrifuge. To 0.1 mL of the supernatant, add 10 mL of [methanol](#).

**Acceptance criteria:** The UV absorption spectra exhibit a maximum between 281 and 286 nm.

- B. 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**

**Mobile phase:** Acetonitrile, [water](#), and [triethylamine](#) (40:60:1). Adjust with [phosphoric acid](#) to a pH of 7.0.

**Diluent:** Acetonitrile, [water](#), and [triethylamine](#) (40:60:1). Adjust with [phosphoric acid](#) to a pH of 10.0.

**System suitability solution:** 0.1 mg/mL each of [USP Lansoprazole RS](#) and [USP Lansoprazole Related Compound A RS](#) in *Diluent*

**Standard stock solution:** 3.0 mg/mL of [USP Lansoprazole RS](#) in a mixture of acetonitrile and 0.1 M [sodium hydroxide](#) (2:3)

**Standard solution:** 0.09 mg/mL of [USP Lansoprazole RS](#) in *Diluent*, from *Standard stock solution*

**Sample stock solution:** Transfer the contents of NLT 10 Capsules, equivalent to 300 mg of lansoprazole, to a 100-mL volumetric flask. Add 60.0 mL of 0.1 M [sodium hydroxide](#) and sonicate until completely disintegrated. Add 20.0 mL of acetonitrile and sonicate for about 20 min, dilute with acetonitrile to volume, allow to settle, and use a clear supernatant.

**Sample solution:** Nominally 0.09 mg/mL of lansoprazole prepared as follows. Transfer 3.0 mL of the *Sample stock solution* to a 100-mL volumetric flask and dilute with *Diluent* to volume. Pass the solution through a PVDF filter having a 0.5- $\mu$ m pore size or another suitable filter, discarding the first few milliliters of the filtrate.

#### Chromatographic system

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

**Mode:** LC

**Detector:** UV 285 nm

**Column:** 4.6-mm  $\times$  25-cm; 5- $\mu$ m packing L1. For *Identification A*, use a diode array detector in the range of 200–400 nm.

**Flow rate:** 1 mL/min

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

#### System suitability

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

#### Suitability requirements

**Resolution:** NLT 5 between lansoprazole and lansoprazole related compound A, *System suitability solution*

**Tailing factor:** NMT 1.5, *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 lansoprazole ( $C_{16}H_{14}F_3N_3O_2S$ ) in the portion of Capsules taken:

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

$r_U$  = peak response of lansoprazole from the *Sample solution*

$r_S$  = peak response of lansoprazole from the *Standard solution*

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

$C_U$  = nominal concentration of lansoprazole in the *Sample solution* (mg/mL)

**Acceptance criteria:** 90.0%–110.0%

## PERFORMANCE TESTS

### • [Dissolution \(711\), Procedure, Apparatus 1 and Apparatus 2, Delayed-Release Dosage Forms, Method A Procedure](#)

#### Test 1

##### Acid stage

**Acid stage medium:** [0.1 N hydrochloric acid](#); 500 mL

**Apparatus 2:** 75 rpm

**Time:** 60 min

**Acid stage standard solution:**  $(L \times 0.08/500)$  mg/mL of [USP Lansoprazole RS](#) in Acid stage medium, where  $L$  is the label claim, in mg/Capsule

[**NOTE**—An amount of [methanol](#) NMT 0.5% of the total volume of the Acid stage standard solution may be used to dissolve [USP Lansoprazole RS](#) prior to dilution with Acid stage medium.]

##### Instrumental conditions

**Mode:** UV

**Analytical wavelength:** Maximum absorbance at about 306 nm

**Blank:** Acid stage medium

**Analysis:** Withdraw a 25-mL aliquot, leaving the remaining 475 mL in the vessel for use in the Buffer stage, and proceed immediately as directed for Buffer stage sample solution. Use a filtered portion of the aliquot as an Acid stage sample solution.

**Samples:** Acid stage standard solution and Acid stage sample solution

Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of lansoprazole ( $C_{16}H_{14}F_3N_3O_2S$ ) dissolved during the Acid stage:

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

$A_U$  = absorbance of the Acid stage sample solution

$A_S$  = absorbance of the Acid stage standard solution

$C_S$  = concentration of [USP Lansoprazole RS](#) in the Acid stage standard solution (mg/mL)

$L$  = label claim of lansoprazole (mg/Capsule)

$V$  = volume of Acid stage medium, 500 mL

**Tolerances:** NMT 10% of the labeled amount of lansoprazole ( $C_{16}H_{14}F_3N_3O_2S$ ) is dissolved.

#### Buffer stage

**Buffer stage medium:** pH 6.8 buffer; 900 mL. Proceed as directed in Buffer stage sample solution.

**Apparatus 2:** 75 rpm

**Time:** 60 min

**Buffer concentrate:** Dissolve 65.4 g of [monobasic sodium phosphate](#), 28.2 g of [sodium hydroxide](#), and 12 g of [sodium dodecyl sulfate](#) in 4 L of [water](#).

**Blank solution:** Acid stage medium and Buffer concentrate (19:17). Adjust, if necessary, with either [phosphoric acid](#) or [sodium hydroxide](#) solution to a pH of 6.8.

**Buffer stage standard solution:**  $(L \times 0.7/900)$  mg/mL of [USP Lansoprazole RS](#) in the Blank solution, where  $L$  is the label claim in mg/Capsule

[**NOTE**—An amount of [methanol](#) NMT 2% of the total volume of the Buffer stage standard solution may be used to dissolve [USP Lansoprazole RS](#) prior to dilution with Blank solution.]

**Buffer stage sample solution:** Add 425 mL of Buffer concentrate to the remaining 475 mL of solution in each vessel from the Acid stage.

Adjust, if necessary, with either [phosphoric acid](#) or [sodium hydroxide](#) solution to a pH of 6.8, and pass through a suitable filter.

##### Instrumental conditions

**Mode:** UV-Vis

**Analytical wavelength:** About 286 and 650 nm

**Blank:** Blank solution

##### Analysis

**Samples:** Buffer stage standard solution and Buffer stage sample solution

Determine the percentage of the labeled amount of lansoprazole ( $C_{16}H_{14}F_3N_3O_2S$ ) dissolved using the difference between the absorbances at the wavelengths of about 286 nm and 650 nm.

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

$A_U$  = difference between absorbances of the Buffer stage sample solution

$A_S$  = difference between absorbances of the *Buffer stage standard solution*

$C_S$  = concentration of [USP Lansoprazole RS](#) in the *Buffer stage standard solution* (mg/mL)

$L$  = label claim of lansoprazole (mg/Capsule)

$V$  = volume of *Buffer stage medium*, 900 mL

**Tolerances:** NLT 80% ( $Q$ ) of the labeled amount of lansoprazole ( $C_{16}H_{14}F_3N_3O_2S$ ) is dissolved.

**Test 2:** If the product complies with this test, the labeling indicates that it meets USP *Dissolution Test 2*.

**Acid stage:** Proceed as directed in *Dissolution Test 1*.

**Tolerances:** NMT 10% of the labeled amount of lansoprazole ( $C_{16}H_{14}F_3N_3O_2S$ ) is dissolved.

**Buffer stage:** Proceed as directed in *Dissolution Test 1*, except for the *Time*.

**Time:** 45 min

**Tolerances:** NLT 80% ( $Q$ ) of the labeled amount of lansoprazole ( $C_{16}H_{14}F_3N_3O_2S$ ) is dissolved.

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- [UNIFORMITY OF DOSAGE UNITS \(905\)](#): ▲Meet the requirements▲ (CN 1-Aug-2023)

#### Procedure for content uniformity

**Standard solution:** 12 µg/mL of [USP Lansoprazole RS](#) in a mixture of acetonitrile and 0.1 M [sodium hydroxide](#) (7:3)

**Sample solution:** Transfer the contents of 1 Capsule to a 100-mL volumetric flask, add 30 mL of 0.1 M [sodium hydroxide](#), and sonicate to disintegrate. Add 65 mL of acetonitrile, cool, and dilute with acetonitrile to volume. Centrifuge a portion of the suspension and pass through a membrane filter having a 0.5-µm or finer pore size. Further dilute a portion of the filtrate with a mixture of acetonitrile and 0.1 M [sodium hydroxide](#) (7:3) to obtain a solution having a nominal concentration of about 12 µg/mL of lansoprazole.

#### Instrumental conditions

**Mode:** UV

**Analytical wavelength:** Maximum absorbance at about 294 nm

**Cell:** 1 cm

**Blank:** Acetonitrile and 0.1 M sodium hydroxide (7:3)

#### Analysis

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

Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of lansoprazole ( $C_{16}H_{14}F_3N_3O_2S$ ) in the Capsule taken:

$$\text{Result} = (A_U/A_S) \times (C_S/C_U) \times 100$$

$A_U$  = absorbance of the *Sample solution*

$A_S$  = absorbance of the *Standard solution*

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

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

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#### IMPURITIES

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[NOTE—Store and inject the lansoprazole solutions at or below 5° using a cooled autosampler. The solutions are stable for about 24 h when stored at 5°.]

**Solution A:** [Water](#)

**Solution B:** Acetonitrile, [water](#), and [triethylamine](#) (160:40:1). Adjust with [phosphoric acid](#) to a pH of 7.0.

**Diluent:** [Methanol](#) and 0.1 N [sodium hydroxide](#) (1:3). Adjust with [phosphoric acid](#) to a pH of 10.0.

**Mobile phase:** See [Table 1](#). Return to original conditions and re-equilibrate the system for at least 10 min.

**Table 1**

Time (min)	Solution A (%)	Solution B (%)
0	90	10
40	20	80
50	20	80

**System suitability solution:** 0.1 mg/mL each of [USP Lansoprazole RS](#) and [USP Lansoprazole Related Compound A RS](#) in *Diluent*

**Standard solution:** 2 µg/mL of [USP Lansoprazole RS](#) in *Diluent*. Use sonication to dissolve.

**Sensitivity solution:** 0.25 µg/mL of [USP Lansoprazole RS](#) in *Diluent*, from the *Standard solution*

**Sample solution:** Nominally 250 µg/mL of lansoprazole prepared as follows. Transfer a portion of Capsules contents, equivalent to about 25 mg of lansoprazole, to a 100-mL volumetric flask. Add 70 mL of *Diluent* and sonicate with occasional shaking for about 30 min, maintaining the temperature below 10°. Dilute with *Diluent* to volume, and pass the solution through a PVDF filter having a 0.45-µm pore size or another suitable filter, discarding the first few milliliters of the filtrate.

#### Chromatographic system

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

**Mode:** LC

**Detector:** UV 285 nm

**Column:** 4.6-mm × 15-cm; 5-µm packing L1

**Autosampler temperature:** 5°

**Flow rate:** 0.8 mL/min

**Injection volume:** 40 µL

#### System suitability

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

#### Suitability requirements

**Resolution:** NLT 6 between lansoprazole and lansoprazole related compound A, *System suitability solution*

**Relative standard deviation:** NMT 10.0%, *Standard solution*

**Signal-to-noise ratio:** NLT 10, *Sensitivity solution*

#### Analysis

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

Calculate the percentage of any individual impurity in the portion of Capsules taken:

$$\text{Result} = (r_u/r_s) \times (C_s/C_u) \times (1/F) \times 100$$

$r_u$  = peak response of each impurity from the *Sample solution*

$r_s$  = peak response of lansoprazole from the *Standard solution*

$C_s$  = concentration of [USP Lansoprazole RS](#) in the *Standard solution* (µg/mL)

$C_u$  = nominal concentration of lansoprazole in the *Sample solution* (µg/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 (%)
Lansoprazole N-oxide <sup>a</sup>	0.8	1.3	0.2
Lansoprazole	1.0	—	—
Lansoprazole related compound A (lansoprazole sulfone) <sup>b</sup>	1.1	0.82	0.4
Lansoprazole related compound B (lansoprazole sulfide) <sup>c</sup>	1.2	1.0	0.2
Other individual impurity	—	1.00	0.2
Total impurities	—	—	1.5

<sup>a</sup> [(1*H*-Benzimidazole-2-yl)sulfinyl]methyl]-3-methyl-4-(2,2,2-trifluoroethoxy)-pyridine 1-oxide.

<sup>b</sup> 2-({[3-Methyl-4-(2,2,2-trifluoroethoxy)-2-pyridyl]methyl}sulfonyl)benzimidazole.

<sup>c</sup> 2-[[[3-Methyl-4-(2,2,2-trifluoroethoxy)-pyridin-2-yl]methyl]sulfanyl]-1*H*-benzimidazole.

**ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS**

- **PACKAGING AND STORAGE:** Preserve in tight containers, and store at controlled room temperature.
- **LABELING:** When more than one *Dissolution* test is given, the labeling states the *Dissolution* test used only if *Test 1* is not used.
- **USP REFERENCE STANDARDS (11):**  
[USP Lansoprazole RS](#)  
[USP Lansoprazole Related Compound A RS](#)  
2-({[3-Methyl-4-(2,2,2-trifluoroethoxy)-2-pyridyl]methyl}sulfonyl)benzimidazole.  
 $C_{16}H_{14}F_3N_3O_3S$  385.36

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