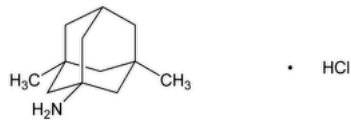


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# Memantine Hydrochloride



$C_{12}H_{21}N \cdot HCl$  215.76  
Tricyclo[3.3.1.1<sup>3,7</sup>]decan-1-amine, 3,5-dimethyl-, hydrochloride;  
1-Amino-3,5-dimethyladamantane hydrochloride CAS RN®: 41100-52-1; UNII: JY0WD0UA60.

**DEFINITION**  
Memantine Hydrochloride contains NLT 98.0% and NMT 102.0% of memantine hydrochloride ( $C_{12}H_{21}N \cdot HCl$ ), calculated on the anhydrous basis.

### IDENTIFICATION

Change to read:

- **A.** [▲ SPECTROSCOPIC IDENTIFICATION TESTS \(197\), Infrared Spectroscopy: 197K ▲](#) (CN 1-MAY-2020)
- **B.** The retention time of the major peak of the *Sample solution* corresponds to that of the *Standard solution*, as obtained in the Assay.
- **C.** [IDENTIFICATION TESTS—GENERAL, Chloride \(191\)](#): Meets the requirements

### ASSAY

• **PROCEDURE**

**Internal standard solution:** 4.0 mg/mL of adamantane in *n*-hexane  
**Standard solution:** 4.0 mg/mL of [USP Memantine Hydrochloride RS](#) in *Internal standard solution* prepared as follows. Transfer 100 mg of [USP Memantine Hydrochloride RS](#) to a 50-mL centrifuge tube. Add 15 mL of 1 N sodium hydroxide, and mix. Add 25 mL of *Internal standard solution*, and shake for 15 min. Allow the layers to separate, and filter a portion of the top hexane layer through anhydrous sodium sulfate. Use the clear filtrate.  
**Sample solution:** 4.0 mg/mL of Memantine Hydrochloride in *Internal standard solution* prepared as follows. Transfer 100 mg of Memantine Hydrochloride to a 50-mL centrifuge tube. Add 15 mL of 1 N sodium hydroxide, and mix. Add 25 mL of *Internal standard solution*, and shake for 15 min. Allow the layers to separate, and filter a portion of the top hexane layer through anhydrous sodium sulfate. Use the clear filtrate.

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

**Mode:** GC  
**Detector:** Flame ionization  
**Column:** 50-m × 0.32-mm; 0.52-μm packing G27  
**Temperatures**  
**Injection port:** 220°  
**Detector:** 300°  
**Column:** See [Table 1](#).

Table 1

Initial Temperature (°)	Temperature Ramp (°/min)	Final Temperature (°)	Hold Time at Final Temperature (min)
50	5	145	0
145	10	250	20

**Carrier gas:** Helium  
**Flow rate:** 4.0 ± 0.4 mL/min  
**Injection volume:** 1 μL

**Injection type:** Split ratio, 1:50

**System suitability**

**Sample:** *Standard solution*

**Suitability requirements**

**Tailing factor:** NMT 2.0 each for memantine and adamantane

**Relative standard deviation:** NMT 2.0% for the ratio of the peak areas of adamantane and memantine

**Analysis**

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

Calculate the percentage of memantine hydrochloride ( $C_{12}H_{21}N \cdot HCl$ ) in the portion of Memantine Hydrochloride taken:

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

$R_U$  = peak response ratio of memantine to the internal standard from the *Sample solution*

$R_S$  = peak response ratio of memantine to the internal standard from the *Standard solution*

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

$C_U$  = concentration of Memantine Hydrochloride in the *Sample solution* (mg/mL)

**Acceptance criteria:** 98.0%–102.0% on the anhydrous basis

**IMPURITIES**

• [RESIDUE ON IGNITION \(281\)](#): NMT 0.1%

• **ORGANIC IMPURITIES**

**Standard stock solution A:** 2.5 mg/mL each of [USP Memantine Related Compound A RS](#), [USP Memantine Related Compound B RS](#), [USP Memantine Related Compound C RS](#), [USP Memantine Related Compound D RS](#), and [USP Memantine Related Compound E RS](#) in *n*-hexane

**Standard stock solution B:** 2.5 mg/mL of [USP Memantine Hydrochloride RS](#) prepared as follows. To the flask containing a weighed amount of [USP Memantine Hydrochloride RS](#), add 5.0 N sodium hydroxide to fill 20% of the final volume and *n*-hexane to fill 20% of the final volume. Shake for 10 min, and transfer the contents to a separator. Allow the layers to separate, filter a portion of the top hexane layer, dry the organic layer by swirling with anhydrous sodium sulfate, and allow to stand for a few min to ensure all the remaining water has been removed. Use the clear filtrate.

**System suitability solution:** 25 µg/mL each of [USP Memantine Related Compound A RS](#), [USP Memantine Related Compound B RS](#), [USP Memantine Related Compound C RS](#), [USP Memantine Related Compound D RS](#), and [USP Memantine Related Compound E RS](#), from *Standard stock solution A* in *Standard stock solution B*. The concentration of [USP Memantine Hydrochloride RS](#) is 2.5 mg/mL.

**Standard solution:** 25 µg/mL each of [USP Memantine Related Compound A RS](#), [USP Memantine Related Compound B RS](#), [USP Memantine Related Compound C RS](#), [USP Memantine Related Compound D RS](#), [USP Memantine Related Compound E RS](#), and [USP Memantine Hydrochloride RS](#), from *Standard stock solution A* and *Standard stock solution B*, respectively, in *n*-hexane

**Sample solution:** 25 mg/mL of Memantine Hydrochloride prepared as follows. Transfer the weighed amount of Memantine Hydrochloride to a suitable volumetric flask. Add 5.0 N sodium hydroxide to fill 30% of the final volume and *n*-hexane to fill 40% of the final volume. Shake for 10 min, and transfer the contents to a separator. Allow the layers to separate, filter a portion of the top hexane layer, dry the organic layer by swirling with anhydrous sodium sulfate, and allow to stand for a few min to ensure all the remaining water has been removed. Use the clear filtrate.

**Chromatographic system:** Proceed as directed in the Assay.

**System suitability**

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

[NOTE—See [Table 2](#) for the relative retention times.]

**Suitability requirements**

**Resolution:** NLT 6.0 between memantine and memantine related compound B; NLT 2.0 between memantine related compound B and memantine related compound C, *System suitability solution*

**Tailing factor:** NMT 2.0 for memantine, *Standard solution*

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

**Analysis**

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

[NOTE—Ignore the peaks at the relative retention times 0.11, 0.12, 0.13, 0.18, and 0.26 with respect to the memantine peak, as they correspond to residual solvents.]

Calculate the percentage of each of memantine related compounds A, B, C, D, and E in the portion of Memantine Hydrochloride taken:

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

$r_U$  = peak response of memantine related compounds A, B, C, D, or E from the *Sample solution*

$r_S$  = peak response of the corresponding [USP Memantine Related Compound RS](#) from the *Standard solution*

$C_s$  = concentration of the corresponding [USP Memantine Related Compound RS](#) in the *Standard solution* (mg/mL)

$C_U$  = concentration of Memantine Hydrochloride in the *Sample solution* (mg/mL)

Calculate the percentage of any other impurity in the portion of Memantine Hydrochloride taken:

$$\text{Result} = (r_U/r_s) \times (C_s/C_U) \times 100$$

$r_U$  = peak response of any other impurity from the *Sample solution*

$r_s$  = peak response of memantine hydrochloride from the *Standard solution*

$C_s$  = concentration of [USP Memantine Hydrochloride RS](#) in the *Standard solution* (mg/mL)

$C_U$  = concentration of Memantine Hydrochloride in the *Sample solution* (mg/mL)

**Acceptance criteria:** See [Table 2](#).

**Table 2**

Name	Relative Retention Time	Acceptance Criteria, NMT (%)
Memantine related compound A	0.77	0.15
Memantine	1.0	—
Memantine related compound B	1.03	0.15
Memantine related compound C	1.07	0.15
Memantine related compound D	1.19	0.15
Memantine related compound E	1.44	0.15
Any individual unspecified impurity	—	0.10
Total impurities	—	0.50

#### SPECIFIC TESTS

- [WATER DETERMINATION, Method I \(921\)](#): NMT 1.0%

#### ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- **PACKAGING AND STORAGE:** Preserve in well-closed containers. Store at controlled room temperature.

- [USP REFERENCE STANDARDS \(11\)](#).

[USP Memantine Hydrochloride RS](#)

[USP Memantine Related Compound A RS](#)

1,3-Dimethyladamantane.

$C_{12}H_{20}$  164.29

[USP Memantine Related Compound B RS](#)

3,5-Dimethyladamantane-1-ol.

$C_{12}H_{20}O$  180.29

[USP Memantine Related Compound C RS](#)

1-Chloro-3,5-dimethyladamantane.

$C_{12}H_{19}Cl$  198.73

[USP Memantine Related Compound D RS](#)

1-Bromo-3,5-dimethyladamantane.

$C_{12}H_{19}Br$  243.18

[USP Memantine Related Compound E RS](#)

N-3,5-Dimethyladamantan-1-yl formamide.

$C_{13}H_{21}NO$  207.31

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