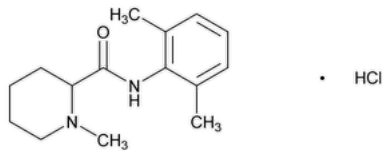


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Mepivacaine Hydrochloride



$C_{15}H_{22}N_2O \cdot HCl$ 282.81
2-Piperidinecarboxamide, *N*-(2,6-dimethylphenyl)-1-methyl-, monohydrochloride, (±)-;
(±)-1-Methyl-2',6'-pipecoloxylidide monohydrochloride CAS RN[®]: 1722-62-9; UNII: 4VFX2L7EM5.

DEFINITION

Mepivacaine Hydrochloride contains NLT 98.0% and NMT 102.0% of mepivacaine hydrochloride ($C_{15}H_{22}N_2O \cdot HCl$), calculated on the dried 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 \(191\)](#)

Sample solution: 10 mg/mL

Acceptance criteria: Meets the requirements

ASSAY

PROCEDURE

Buffer: 2.25 g/L solution of phosphoric acid, adjusted with 50% sodium hydroxide to a pH of 7.6

Mobile phase: Acetonitrile and *Buffer* (35:65)

System suitability solution: 2 µg/mL of [USP Mepivacaine Hydrochloride RS](#) and 3 µg/mL of [USP Bupivacaine Related Compound B RS](#) in *Mobile phase*

Standard solution: 0.2 mg/mL of [USP Mepivacaine Hydrochloride RS](#) in *Mobile phase*

Sample solution: 0.2 mg/mL of Mepivacaine Hydrochloride in *Mobile phase*

Chromatographic system

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

Mode: LC

Detector: UV 220 nm

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

Flow rate: 1 mL/min

Injection volume: 20 µL

System suitability

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

Suitability requirements

Resolution: NLT 2.5 between bupivacaine related compound B and mepivacaine, *System suitability solution*

Tailing factor: NMT 1.5, *Standard solution*

Relative standard deviation: NMT 1.0%, *Standard solution*

Analysis

Samples: *Standard solution* and *Sample solution*

Calculate the percentage of mepivacaine hydrochloride ($C_{15}H_{22}N_2O \cdot HCl$) in the portion of Mepivacaine Hydrochloride taken:

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

r_U = peak response from the *Sample solution*

r_S = peak response from the *Standard solution*

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

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

Acceptance criteria: 98.0%–102.0% on the dried basis

IMPURITIES

• **RESIDUE ON IGNITION (281):** NMT 0.1%

• **ORGANIC IMPURITIES**

Mobile phase, System suitability solution, and Chromatographic system: Proceed as directed in the Assay. The run time is three times the retention time of the mepivacaine peak.

Standard solution: 2 µg/mL of [USP Mepivacaine Hydrochloride RS](#) in *Mobile phase*

Sample solution: 2 mg/mL of Mepivacaine Hydrochloride in *Mobile phase*

System suitability

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

Suitability requirements

Resolution: NLT 2.5 between bupivacaine related compound B and mepivacaine, *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 any impurity in the portion of Mepivacaine Hydrochloride taken:

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

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

r_S = peak response of mepivacaine from the *Standard solution*

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

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

Acceptance criteria: See [Table 1](#).

Table 1

Name	Relative Retention Time	Acceptance Criteria, NMT (%)
Bupivacaine related compound B (desmethyl mepivacaine) ^a	0.4	0.15
Mepivacaine	1.0	—
Picolinamide analog ^b	2.1	0.15
Any individual unspecified impurity	—	0.10
Total impurities	—	0.4

^a *N*-(2,6-Dimethylphenyl)piperidine-2-carboxamide.

^b *N*-(2,6-Dimethylphenyl)picolinamide.

• **2,6-DIMETHYLANILINE**

Prepare the *Standard solution* and *Sample solution* fresh, just before use.

Standard stock solution: 0.6 µg/mL of [USP Ropivacaine Related Compound A RS](#) in 1 N hydrochloric acid. [NOTE—Ropivacaine related compound A is 2,6-dimethylaniline hydrochloride.]

Standard solution: Transfer 2.0 mL of the *Standard stock solution* and 1.0 mL of 3 N sodium hydroxide to a 20-mL headspace vial, and immediately close the vial with a cap.

Sample stock solution: 30 mg/mL of Mepivacaine Hydrochloride in 1 N hydrochloric acid

Sample solution: Transfer 2.0 mL of the *Sample stock solution* and 1.0 mL of 3 N sodium hydroxide to a 20-mL headspace vial, and immediately close the vial with a cap.

Chromatographic system

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

Mode: GC

Detector: Flame ionization

Column: 0.53-mm × 30-m capillary; coated with 3-μm film of G43

Temperatures

Injection port: 225°

Detector: 250°

Column: See [Table 2](#).

Table 2

Initial Temperature (°)	Temperature Ramp (°/min)	Final Temperature (°)	Hold Time at Final Temperature (min)
130	10	230	5

Carrier gas: Helium

Flow rate: 4 mL/min

Injection type: Split ratio, 1:1

Headspace sampler

Equilibration time: 15 min

Equilibration temperature: 90°

Loop temperature: 215°

Transfer line temperature: 220°

Vial pressure: About 15 psi

Loop size: 3 mL

System suitability

Sample: *Standard solution*

Suitability requirements

Tailing factor: NMT 2.0

Relative standard deviation: NMT 15%

Analysis

Samples: *Standard solution* and *Sample solution*

Calculate the quantity, in ppm, of 2,6-dimethylaniline in the portion of Mepivacaine Hydrochloride taken:

$$\text{Result} = (r_U/r_S) \times (C_S/C_U) \times (M_{r1}/M_{r2}) \times 10^6$$

r_U = peak response of 2,6-dimethylaniline from the *Sample solution*

r_S = peak response of 2,6-dimethylaniline from the *Standard solution*

C_S = concentration of [USP Ropivacaine Related Compound A RS](#) in the *Standard solution* (μg/mL)

C_U = concentration of Mepivacaine Hydrochloride in the *Sample solution* (μg/mL)

M_{r1} = molecular weight of 2,6-dimethylaniline, 121.18

M_{r2} = molecular weight of 2,6-dimethylaniline hydrochloride (ropivacaine related compound A), 157.64

Acceptance criteria: NMT 20 ppm

SPECIFIC TESTS

• [Loss on Drying \(731\)](#).

Analysis: Dry at 105° for 4 h.

Acceptance criteria: NMT 1.0%

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

• **PACKAGING AND STORAGE:** Preserve in well-closed containers.

Change to read:

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

[USP Bupivacaine Related Compound B RS](#)

▲ *N*-(2,6-Dimethylphenyl)piperidine-2-carboxamide hydrochloride.

$C_{14}H_{20}N_2O \cdot HCl$ 268.79▲ (ERR 1-Oct-2018)

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