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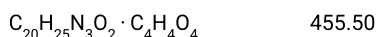
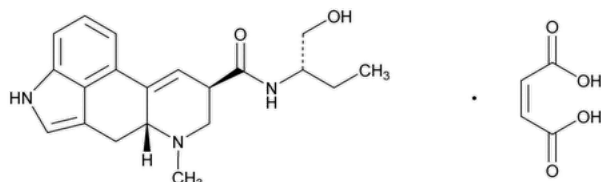
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## Methylergonovine Maleate



Ergoline-8-carboxamide, 9,10-didehydro-N-[1-(hydroxy methyl)propyl]-6-methyl-, [8β(S)], (Z)-2-butenedioate (1:1) (salt);

9,10-Didehydro-N-[(S)-1-(hydroxymethyl)propyl]-6-methylergoline-8β-carboxamide maleate (1:1) (salt) CAS RN<sup>®</sup>: 57432-61-8; UNII: IR84JPZ1RK.

### DEFINITION

Methylergonovine Maleate contains NLT 97.0% and NMT 103.0% of methylergonovine maleate ( $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{25}\text{N}_3\text{O}_2 \cdot \text{C}_4\text{H}_4\text{O}_4$ ), calculated on the dried basis.

### IDENTIFICATION

#### Change to read:

- **A.** ▲ [SPECTROSCOPIC IDENTIFICATION TESTS \(197\)](#), [Infrared Spectroscopy: 197K](#) ▲ (CN 1-MAY-2020)
- **B.** The  $R_f$  values of the principal fluorescent spot and the principal blue spot of the *Sample solution* correspond to those of the *Standard stock solution*, as obtained in the test for *Related Alkaloids*.

### ASSAY

#### PROCEDURE

Conduct this procedure with a minimum exposure to light.

**Mobile phase:** Acetonitrile and 2.0 g/L of [monobasic potassium phosphate](#) (1:4)

**Diluent:** 2.5 mg/mL of [tartaric acid](#) prepared as follows. Transfer a suitable amount of [tartaric acid](#) to a suitable volumetric flask, add 50% of the flask volume of water, and mix with shaking. Dilute with methanol to volume. Allow the mixture to cool before use.

**Standard stock solution:** 0.1 mg/mL of [USP Methylergonovine Maleate RS](#) in *Diluent*. Shake by mechanical means for 15 min.

**Standard solution:** 4 µg/mL of [USP Methylergonovine Maleate RS](#) from the *Standard stock solution* in *Diluent*

**Sample stock solution:** 0.2 mg/mL of Methylergonovine Maleate in *Diluent*. Shake by mechanical means for 15 min or until completely dissolved.

**Sample solution:** 4 µg/mL of Methylergonovine Maleate from the *Sample stock solution* in *Diluent*

#### Chromatographic system

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

**Mode:** LC

**Detector:** Fluorescence with excitation at 315 nm and emission at 423 nm

**Column:** 4.6-mm × 25-cm; packing [L7](#)

**Temperature:** 30°

**Flow rate:** 2 mL/min

**Injection volume:** 20 µL

#### System suitability

**Sample:** *Standard solution*

#### Suitability requirements

**Tailing factor:** NMT 2.0

**Relative standard deviation:** NMT 2.0%

#### Analysis

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

Calculate the percentage of methylergonovine maleate ( $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{25}\text{N}_3\text{O}_2 \cdot \text{C}_4\text{H}_4\text{O}_4$ ) in the portion of Methylergonovine Maleate 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 Methylergonovine Maleate RS](#) in the *Standard solution* (µg/mL)

$C_U$  = concentration of Methylergonovine Maleate in the *Sample solution* (µg/mL)

**Acceptance criteria:** 97.0%–103.0% on the dried basis

#### IMPURITIES

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

• **RELATED ALKALOIDS**

Conduct this test promptly, without exposure to daylight and with minimum exposure to artificial light. Solutions containing methylergonovine maleate should be prepared immediately before use.

**Diluent:** [Alcohol](#) and [ammonium hydroxide](#) (9:1)

**Standard stock solution:** 10 mg/mL of [USP Methylergonovine Maleate RS](#) in *Diluent*

**Standard solution A:** 0.20 mg/mL of [USP Methylergonovine Maleate RS](#) from the *Standard stock solution* in *Diluent*

**Standard solution B:** 0.10 mg/mL of [USP Methylergonovine Maleate RS](#) from the *Standard stock solution* in *Diluent*

**Standard solution C:** 0.05 mg/mL of [USP Methylergonovine Maleate RS](#) from the *Standard stock solution* in *Diluent*

**Sample solution:** 10 mg/mL of Methylergonovine Maleate in *Diluent*

#### Chromatographic system

(See [Chromatography \(621\)](#), [Thin-Layer Chromatography](#).)

**Mode:** TLC

**Adsorbent:** 0.25-mm layer of chromatographic silica gel mixture

**Application volume:** 5 µL

**Developing solvent system:** [Chloroform](#), methanol, and water (75:25:3), equilibrated for 30 min

**Spray reagent:** 10 mg/mL of [p-dimethylaminobenzaldehyde](#) in a cooled mixture of [alcohol](#) and [hydrochloric acid](#) (1:1)

#### Analysis

**Samples:** *Standard stock solution*, *Standard solution A*, *Standard solution B*, *Standard solution C*, and *Sample solution*

Proceed as directed in the chapter. Locate the spots on the plate by spraying thoroughly and evenly with *Spray reagent*. Immediately dry in a stream of nitrogen for 2 min.

**Acceptance criteria:** The  $R_F$  value of the principal spot of the *Sample solution* corresponds to that of the *Standard stock solution*. Estimate the concentration of any other spots observed from the *Sample solution* by comparison with *Standard solution A*, *Standard solution B*, and *Standard solution C*. The spots from *Standard solution A*, *Standard solution B*, and *Standard solution C* are equivalent to 2.0%, 1.0%, and 0.50% of impurities, respectively. The sum of the impurities is NMT 2.0%.

#### SPECIFIC TESTS

• [OPTICAL ROTATION \(781S\)](#), [Specific Rotation](#)

**Sample solution:** 5 mg/mL of Methylergonovine Maleate in water

**Acceptance criteria:** +44° to +50°

• [pH \(791\)](#)

**Sample solution:** 0.2 mg/mL of Methylergonovine Maleate in water

**Acceptance criteria:** 4.4–5.2

• [LOSS ON DRYING \(731\)](#)

**Analysis:** Dry under vacuum at 80° to constant weight.

**Acceptance criteria:** NMT 2.0%

#### ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

• **PACKAGING AND STORAGE:** Preserve in tight, light-resistant containers, and store in a cold place.

• [USP REFERENCE STANDARDS \(11\)](#)

[USP Methylergonovine Maleate RS](#)

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