

Status: Currently Official on 16-Feb-2025  
 Official Date: Official as of 01-Aug-2023  
 Document Type: USP Monographs  
 DocId: GUID-F04EEA2C-A84C-4D98-B215-73A685019A9C\_2\_en-US  
 DOI: [https://doi.org/10.31003/USPNF\\_M1983\\_02\\_01](https://doi.org/10.31003/USPNF_M1983_02_01)  
 DOI Ref: 973o4

© 2025 USPC  
 Do not distribute

**Add the following:**

## ^Micafungin for Injection

### DEFINITION

Micafungin for Injection contains an amount of Micafungin Sodium equivalent to NLT 95% and NMT 115% of the labeled amount of micafungin ( $C_{56}H_{71}N_9O_{23}S$ ).

### IDENTIFICATION

- **A.** The UV spectrum of the major peak of the *Sample solution* corresponds to that of the *Standard solution*, as obtained in the Assay.
- **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

Conduct the entire procedure, without exposure to direct sunlight, using a light-resistant vessel.

**Buffer:** 18.7 g/L of [sodium phosphate, monobasic, dihydrate](#) and 7.7 g/L of [sodium perchlorate](#) in [water](#). Adjust with [10% phosphoric acid](#) to a pH of 3.0.

**Mobile phase:** [Acetonitrile](#) and **Buffer** (450:700)

**Diluent:** [Acetonitrile](#) and [water](#) (3:7)

**Standard solution:** 0.5 mg/mL of [USP Micafungin Sodium RS](#) in **Diluent**

**Sample solution:** Nominally 0.5 mg/mL of micafungin from Micafungin for Injection in **Diluent** prepared as follows. Quantitatively transfer the contents of 1 vial of Micafungin for Injection using **Diluent** into a suitable volumetric flask to assure the final nominal concentration. Sonication may be needed. Dilute with **Diluent** to final volume.

#### Chromatographic system

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

**Mode:** LC

**Detector:** UV 210 nm. For *Identification A*, use a diode array detector in the range of 200–400 nm.

**Column:** 4.6-mm × 25-cm; 5-μm packing [L1](#)

**Column temperature:** 35°

**Flow rate:** 1 mL/min

**Injection volume:** 5 μL

#### System suitability

**Sample:** *Standard solution*

#### Suitability requirements

**Tailing factor:** NMT 1.5

**Relative standard deviation:** NMT 2.0%

#### Analysis

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

Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of micafungin ( $C_{56}H_{71}N_9O_{23}S$ ) in the portion of Micafungin for Injection taken:

$$\text{Result} = (r_U/r_S) \times (C_S/C_U) \times (M_{r1}/M_{r2}) \times 100$$

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

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

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

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

$M_{r1}$  = molecular weight of micafungin, 1270.27

$M_{r2}$  = molecular weight of micafungin sodium, 1292.27

**Acceptance criteria:** 95%–115%

## IMPURITIES

### • ORGANIC IMPURITIES

Conduct the entire procedure, without exposure to direct sunlight, using a light-resistant vessel.

**Buffer and Mobile phase:** Prepare as directed in the Assay.

**Solution A:** 35.8 g/L of [sodium phosphate, dibasic, dodecahydrate](#)

**Solution B:** 13.6 g/L of [potassium phosphate, monobasic](#)

**Diluent:** *Solution A* and *Solution B* (2:1); pH 7.0

**System suitability solution:** 4 mg/mL of [USP Micafungin Sodium RS](#) in *Diluent*

**Sensitivity solution:** 0.002 mg/mL of [USP Micafungin Sodium RS](#) in *Diluent*

**Standard solution:** 0.012 mg/mL of [USP Micafungin Sodium RS](#) in *Diluent*

**Sample solution:** Nominally 4 mg/mL of micafungin from Micafungin for Injection in *Diluent* prepared as follows. Quantitatively transfer the contents of 1 vial of Micafungin for Injection using *Diluent* into a suitable size volumetric flask to assure the final nominal concentration. Sonication may be needed.

**Chromatographic system:** Proceed as directed in the Assay, except for the *Injection volume*.

**Injection volume:** 2  $\mu$ L

### System suitability

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

[NOTE—See [Table 1](#) for the relative retention times.]

### Suitability requirements

**Resolution:** NLT 1.2 between micafungin and micafungin epimer, System suitability solution

**Tailing factor:** NMT 1.5, Standard solution

**Relative standard deviation:** NMT 5.0%, Standard solution

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

### Analysis

**Sample:** Sample solution

Calculate the percentage of any individual impurity in the portion of Micafungin for Injection taken:

$$\text{Result} = (r_u/r_T) \times 100$$

$r_u$  = peak response of any individual impurity

$r_T$  = sum of all the peak responses

**Acceptance criteria:** See [Table 1](#). The reporting threshold is 0.05%.

**Table 1**

| Name                                     | Relative Retention Time | Acceptance Criteria, NMT (%) |
|--|-------------------------|------------------------------|
| Micafungin open ring analog <sup>a</sup> | 0.73                    | 1.1                          |
| Desmethyl micafungin <sup>b</sup>        |                         |                              |
| Micafungin serine analog <sup>c</sup>    | 0.91                    | 1.2                          |
| Micafungin                               | 1.0                     | —                            |
| Micafungin epimer <sup>d</sup>           | 1.09                    | 1.1                          |

| Name                                | Relative Retention Time | Acceptance Criteria, NMT (%) |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|
| Deoxy micafungin <sup>a</sup>       | 1.12                    | 0.5                          |
| Any individual unspecified impurity | —                       | 0.3                          |
| Total impurities                    | —                       | 4.5                          |

<sup>a</sup> Sodium 5-[(1S,2S,3S)-4-(((2S,3R)-5-amino-1-[(2S,3S,4S)-2-carbamoyl-3-hydroxy-4-methylpyrrolidin-1-yl]-3-hydroxy-1,5-dioxopentan-2-yl)amino)-3-[(2S,4R)-1-[(2S,4R)-4,5-dihydroxy-1-(4-(5-[4-(pentyloxy)phenyl]isoxazol-3-yl)benzoyl]pyrrolidine-2-carbonyl]-L-threonyl]-4-hydroxypyrrolidine-2-carboxamido]-1,2-dihydroxy-4-oxobutyl]-2-hydroxyphenyl sulfate.

<sup>b</sup> Sodium 5-[(1S,2S)-2-((2R,6S,9S,11R,12R,14aS,15S,20S,23S,25aS)-20-[(R)-3-amino-1-hydroxy-3-oxopropyl]-2,11,12,15-tetrahydroxy-6-[(R)-1-hydroxyethyl]-5,8,14,19,22,25-hexaoxo-9-(4-(5-[4-(pentyloxy)phenyl]isoxazol-3-yl)benzamido)tetracosahydro-1H-dipyrrolo[2,1-c:2',1'-l][1,4,7,10,13,16]hexaazacycloheptenicosin-23-yl]-1,2-dihydroxyethyl]-2-hydroxyphenyl sulfate.

<sup>c</sup> Sodium 5-[(1S,2S)-2-((2R,6S,9S,11R,12R,14aS,15S,16S,20S,23S,25aS)-20-[(R)-3-amino-1-hydroxy-3-oxopropyl]-2,11,12,15-tetrahydroxy-6-(hydroxymethyl)-16-methyl-5,8,14,19,22,25-hexaoxo-9-(4-(5-[4-(pentyloxy)phenyl]isoxazol-3-yl)benzamido)tetracosahydro-1H-dipyrrolo[2,1-c:2',1'-l][1,4,7,10,13,16]hexaazacycloheptenicosin-23-yl]-1,2-dihydroxyethyl]-2-hydroxyphenyl sulfate.

<sup>d</sup> Sodium 5-[(1S,2S)-2-((2R,6S,9S,11R,12S,14aS,15S,16S,20S,23S,25aS)-20-[(R)-3-amino-1-hydroxy-3-oxopropyl]-2,11,12,15-tetrahydroxy-6-[(R)-1-hydroxyethyl]-16-methyl-5,8,14,19,22,25-hexaoxo-9-(4-(5-[4-(pentyloxy)phenyl]isoxazol-3-yl)benzamido)tetracosahydro-1H-dipyrrolo[2,1-c:2',1'-l][1,4,7,10,13,16]hexaazacycloheptenicosin-23-yl]-1,2-dihydroxyethyl]-2-hydroxyphenyl sulfate.

<sup>e</sup> Sodium 5-[(1S,2S)-2-((2R,6S,9S,12R,14aS,15S,16S,20S,23S,25aS)-20-[(R)-3-amino-1-hydroxy-3-oxopropyl]-2,12,15-trihydroxy-6-[(R)-1-hydroxyethyl]-16-methyl-5,8,14,19,22,25-hexaoxo-9-(4-(5-[4-(pentyloxy)phenyl]isoxazol-3-yl)benzamido)tetracosahydro-1H-dipyrrolo[2,1-c:2',1'-l][1,4,7,10,13,16]hexaazacycloheptenicosin-23-yl]-1,2-dihydroxyethyl]-2-hydroxyphenyl sulfate.

## PERFORMANCE TESTS

- **UNIFORMITY OF DOSAGE UNITS (905):** Meets the requirements

## SPECIFIC TESTS

- **pH (791):**

**Sample:** 10–20 mg/mL

**Acceptance criteria:** 5.0–7.0

- **PARTICULATE MATTER IN INJECTIONS (788), Method 1 Light Obscuration Particle Count Test**

**Sample:** 1 container when tested as directed

**Acceptance criteria:** Meets the requirements

- **BACTERIAL ENDOTOXINS TEST (85):** Meets the requirements

- **STERILITY TESTS (71), Test for Sterility of the Product to Be Examined, Membrane Filtration:** Meets the requirements

- **CONSTITUTED SOLUTION:** At the time of use, it meets the requirements of [Injections and Implanted Drug Products \(1\), Product Quality Tests Common to Parenteral Dosage Forms, Specific Tests, Completeness and Clarity of Solutions](#).

- **OTHER REQUIREMENTS:** It meets the requirements for [Labeling \(7\), Labels and Labeling for Injectable Products](#).

## ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- **PACKAGING AND STORAGE:** Preserve as described in [Packaging and Storage Requirements \(659\), Injection Packaging, Packaging for Constitution](#).

Store at controlled room temperature. Protect from light.

- **USP REFERENCE STANDARDS (11):**

**USP Micafungin Sodium RS**▲ (USP 1-Aug-2023)

**Auxiliary Information** - Please [check for your question in the FAQs](#) before contacting USP.

| Topic/Question           | Contact                                       | Expert Committee          |
|--------------------------|---|---------------------------|
| MICAFUNGIN FOR INJECTION | <a href="#">Documentary Standards Support</a> | SM12020 Small Molecules 1 |

| Topic/Question             | Contact   | Expert Committee          |
|----------------------------|---|---------------------------|
| REFERENCE STANDARD SUPPORT | RS Technical Services<br><a href="mailto:RSTECH@usp.org">RSTECH@usp.org</a> | SM12020 Small Molecules 1 |

**Chromatographic Database Information:** [Chromatographic Database](#)

**Most Recently Appeared In:**

Pharmacopeial Forum: Volume No. 46(5)

**Current DocID: GUID-F04EEA2C-A84C-4D98-B215-73A685019A9C\_2\_en-US**

**DOI: [https://doi.org/10.31003/USPNF\\_M1983\\_02\\_01](https://doi.org/10.31003/USPNF_M1983_02_01)**

**DOI ref: 973o4**

OFFICIAL