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Minocycline Hydrochloride Capsules

DEFINITION

Minocycline Hydrochloride Capsules contain the equivalent of NLT 90.0% and NMT 115.0% of the labeled amount of minocycline ($C_{23}H_{27}N_3O_7$).

IDENTIFICATION

- **A.** 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: Dimethylformamide, tetrahydrofuran, 0.2 M ammonium oxalate, and 0.01 M edetate disodium (120:80:600:180). Adjust with ammonium hydroxide to a pH of 7.2.

System suitability solution: Dissolve 10 mg of [USP Minocycline Hydrochloride RS](#) in 20 mL of 0.2 M ammonium oxalate. Heat on a water bath at 60° for 3 h, allow to cool, and dilute with water to 25.0 mL.

Standard solution: 0.5 mg/mL of minocycline from [USP Minocycline Hydrochloride RS](#) in water. Use this solution within 3 h.

Sample solution: Nominally 0.5 mg/mL of minocycline in water from combined contents of NLT 20 Capsules. Pass through a suitable filter.

Chromatographic system

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

Mode: LC

Detector: UV 280 nm

Column: 4.6-mm × 25-cm; 5-μm packing L1

Column temperature: 40°

Flow rate: 1.5 mL/min

Injection volume: 20 μL

System suitability

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

[NOTE—The relative retention times for epiminocycline and minocycline are 0.7 and 1.0, respectively.]

Suitability requirements

Capacity factor: 5.0–11.5, *Standard solution*

Resolution: NLT 4.6 between epiminocycline and minocycline, *System suitability solution*

Tailing factor: 0.9–2.0 for minocycline, *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 minocycline ($C_{23}H_{27}N_3O_7$) in the portion of Capsules taken:

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

r_U = peak response from the *Sample solution*

r_S = peak response from the *Standard solution*

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

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

P = potency of minocycline in [USP Minocycline Hydrochloride RS](#) (μg/mg)

F = conversion factor, 0.001 mg/μg

PERFORMANCE TESTS

- [DISSOLUTION \(711\)](#)

Medium: Water; 900 mL

Apparatus 2: 50 rpm

Time: 45 min

Detector: UV maximum at about 348 nm

Standard solution: [USP Minocycline Hydrochloride RS](#) in *Medium*

Sample solution: Sample per [Dissolution \(711\)](#). Dilute with *Medium* to a concentration that is similar to that of the *Standard solution*.

Tolerances: NLT 75% (Q) of the labeled amount of minocycline ($C_{23}H_{27}N_3O_7$) is dissolved.

- [UNIFORMITY OF DOSAGE UNITS \(905\)](#): Meet the requirements

SPECIFIC TESTS

- [WATER DETERMINATION, Method I \(921\)](#): NMT 12.0%

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- **PACKAGING AND STORAGE:** Preserve in tight, light-resistant containers.

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

[USP Minocycline Hydrochloride RS](#)

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