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## Morphine Sulfate Compounded Injection

### DEFINITION

Morphine Sulfate Compounded Injection contains NLT 90.0% and NMT 110.0% of the labeled amount of morphine sulfate pentahydrate  $[(C_{17}H_{19}NO_3)_2 \cdot H_2SO_4 \cdot 5H_2O]$ .

Prepare Morphine Sulfate Compounded Injection, 10 or 50 mg/mL, as follows (see [Pharmaceutical Compounding—Sterile Preparations \(797\)](#)).

### 10-mg/mL Morphine Sulfate Compounded Injection

Morphine sulfate pentahydrate <sup>a</sup>	1 g
Sodium Chloride	760 mg
Sterile Water for Injection, a sufficient quantity to make	100 mL

<sup>a</sup> Morphine Sulfate, *USP*, is morphine sulfate pentahydrate; therefore no additional calculation is needed to account for the waters of hydration.

### 50-mg/mL Morphine Sulfate Compounded Injection

Morphine sulfate pentahydrate <sup>a</sup>	5 g
Sodium Chloride	450 mg
Sterile Water for Injection, a sufficient quantity to make	100 mL

<sup>a</sup> Morphine Sulfate, *USP*, is morphine sulfate pentahydrate; therefore no additional calculation is needed to account for the waters of hydration.

Dissolve the *Morphine sulfate pentahydrate* and *Sodium Chloride* in *Sterile Water for Injection* in a suitable calibrated container. Add sufficient *Sterile Water for Injection* to bring to final volume and mix well. Pass through a sterile filter of 0.22- $\mu$ m pore size into sterile container(s).

### ASSAY

- PROCEDURE

**Solution A:** Dissolve 5.44 g of dibasic potassium phosphate in 800 mL of water and add 200 mL of methanol.

**Mobile phase:** See [Table 1](#).

Table 1

Time (min)	Methanol (%)	Solution A (%)
0.0	0	100
3.0	0	100
8.0	45	55
13.0	45	55
13.1	0	100
20.0	0	100

**Standard solution:** 1 mg/mL of morphine sulfate pentahydrate prepared from [USP Morphine Sulfate RS](#) in water

**Sample solution:** Transfer 0.4 mL of the Injection into a 100-mL volumetric flask, and dilute with water to volume.

**Chromatographic system**

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

**Mode:** LC

**Detector:** UV 210 nm

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

**Flow rate:** 1.0 mL/min

**Injection volume:** 15 μL

**System suitability**

**Sample:** Standard solution

[NOTE—The retention time for morphine sulfate is about 10.5 min.]

**Suitability requirements**

**Tailing factor:** NMT 2.0

**Relative standard deviation:** NMT 2.0% for replicate injections

**Analysis**

**Samples:** Standard solution and Sample solution

Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of morphine sulfate pentahydrate  $[(C_{17}H_{19}NO_3)_2 \cdot H_2SO_4 \cdot 5H_2O]$  in the portion of Injection 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 Morphine Sulfate RS](#) in the Standard solution (mg/mL)

$C_U$  = nominal concentration of morphine sulfate pentahydrate in the Sample solution (mg/mL)

**Acceptance criteria:** 90.0%–110.0%

**SPECIFIC TESTS**

- [pH \(791\)](#): 2.5–6.5
- [STERILITY TESTS \(71\), Test for Sterility of the Product to Be Examined, Membrane Filtration](#): Meets the requirements
- [BACTERIAL ENDOTOXINS TEST \(85\)](#): It contains NMT 17.0 USP Endotoxin Units/mg of morphine sulfate. If labeled for intrathecal use, it contains NMT 14.29 USP Endotoxin Units/mg of morphine sulfate.
- [PARTICULATE MATTER IN INJECTIONS \(788\)](#): It meets the requirements.

**ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS**

- **PACKAGING AND STORAGE:** Package in sterile syringes for single-use in one patient only, protected from light. Store at controlled room temperature.

**Change to read:**

- **Beyond-Use Date:** ▲In the absence of performing and completing a sterility and endotoxin test, the storage conditions in [Pharmaceutical Compounding – Sterile Preparations \(797\), 14.3 Establishing a BUD for a CSP](#) apply.▲ (CN 1-Nov-2023) After successful completion of sterility and endotoxin testing, NMT 90 days after the date on which it was compounded when stored at controlled room temperature.
- **LABELING:** Label it to indicate that it is for use in a single patient only. Label it to indicate that it is preservative-free. Label it to state the Beyond-Use Date.
- [USP REFERENCE STANDARDS \(11\)](#)  
[USP Morphine Sulfate RS](#)

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

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