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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 $[(C_{17}H_{19}NO_3)_{1/2} \cdot H_2SO_4 \cdot 5H_2O]$.
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 ^a	1 g
Sodium Chloride	760 mg
Sterile Water for Injection, a sufficient quantity to make	100 mL

^a 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 ^a	5 g
Sodium Chloride	450 mg
Sterile Water for Injection, a sufficient quantity to make	100 mL

^a 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-µm 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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