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Mycophenolate Mofetil Capsules

DEFINITION

Mycophenolate Mofetil Capsules contain NLT 94.0% and NMT 105.0% of the labeled amount of mycophenolate mofetil ($C_{23}H_{31}NO_7$).

IDENTIFICATION

Change to read:

- A. ▲The UV spectrum of the major peak of the *Sample solution* corresponds to that of the *Standard solution*, as obtained in the *Assay*.▲ (USP 1-Aug-2023)
- 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

Change to read:

• PROCEDURE

Phosphoric acid solution: [Phosphoric acid](#) and [water](#) (3:50)

Triethylamine solution: Transfer 3 mL of [triethylamine](#) to 1000 mL of [water](#). Adjust with *Phosphoric acid solution* to a pH of 5.3.

Mobile phase: [Acetonitrile](#) and *Triethylamine solution* (55:45)

Standard solution: 0.125 mg/mL of [USP Mycophenolate Mofetil RS](#) in [acetonitrile](#)

▲Sample stock solution: Nominally 2.5 mg/mL of mycophenolate mofetil prepared as follows. Transfer the contents of the Capsules including Capsule shells, equivalent to 1.25 g of mycophenolate mofetil, to a 500-mL volumetric flask. Add 50 mL of [water](#) and shake mechanically for a minimum of 15 min. Add 350 mL of [acetonitrile](#), sonicate for 15 min, and shake mechanically for 20 min. Dilute with [acetonitrile](#) to volume.▲ (USP 1-Aug-2023)

Sample solution: ▲Nominally 0.125 mg/mL of mycophenolate mofetil in [acetonitrile](#) from *Sample stock solution*. Pass through a nylon filter of 0.45-μm pore size and discard the first 5 mL of the filtrate.▲ (USP 1-Aug-2023)

Chromatographic system

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

Mode: LC

Detector: UV 250 nm. ▲For *Identification A*, use a diode array detector in the range of 200–400 nm.▲ (USP 1-Aug-2023)

Column: 4.6-mm × 25-cm; 5-μm packing [L7](#)

Temperatures

Column: 45°

Autosampler: 10 ± 5°

Flow rate: 1.5 mL/min

Injection volume: 20 μL

▲Run time: NLT 3 times the retention time of mycophenolate mofetil▲ (USP 1-Aug-2023)

System suitability

Sample: *Standard solution*

Suitability requirements

Tailing factor: NMT 2

Relative standard deviation: NMT 2.0%

Analysis

Samples: *Standard solution* and *Sample solution*

Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of mycophenolate mofetil ($C_{23}H_{31}NO_7$) in the portion of Capsules taken:

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

r_U = peak response of mycophenolate mofetil from the *Sample solution*

r_S = peak response of mycophenolate mofetil from the *Standard solution*

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

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

Acceptance criteria: 94.0%–105.0%

PERFORMANCE TESTS

Change to read:

- [Dissolution \(711\)](#).

Test 1

Medium: 0.1 N [hydrochloric acid](#); 900 mL

Apparatus 2: 40 rpm, with sinkers

Time: 20 min

Standard solution: 0.278 mg/mL of [USP Mycophenolate Mofetil RS](#) in *Medium*

Sample solution: Pass a portion of the solution under test through a suitable filter of 0.45-µm pore size.

Instrumental conditions

▲(See [Ultraviolet-Visible Spectroscopy \(857\)](#).) ▲ (USP 1-Aug-2023)

Mode: UV

Analytical wavelength: 250 nm

Path length: 0.1 cm

Blank: *Medium*

Analysis

Samples: *Standard solution* and *Sample solution*

Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of mycophenolate mofetil ($C_{23}H_{31}NO_7$) dissolved:

$$\text{Result} = (A_U/A_S) \times C_S \times V \times (1/L) \times 100$$

A_U = absorbance of the *Sample solution*

A_S = absorbance of the *Standard solution*

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

V = volume of *Medium*, 900 mL

L = label claim (mg/Capsule)

Tolerances: NLT 80% (Q) of the labeled amount of mycophenolate mofetil ($C_{23}H_{31}NO_7$) is dissolved.

Test 2: If the product complies with this test, the labeling indicates that the product meets USP *Dissolution Test 2*.

Medium: 0.1 N [hydrochloric acid](#); 900 mL

Apparatus 2: 40 rpm, with sinker

Time: 30 min

Standard solution: 0.028 mg/mL of [USP Mycophenolate Mofetil RS](#) in *Medium*

Sample solution: Pass a portion of the solution under test through a suitable nylon filter of 0.45-µm pore size. Discard the first 3–5 mL of the filtrate. Dilute 1 mL of the filtrate with *Medium* to 10 mL.

Instrumental conditions

(See [Ultraviolet-Visible Spectroscopy \(857\)](#).)

Mode: UV

Analytical wavelength: 250 nm

Blank: *Medium*

Analysis

Samples: *Standard solution* and *Sample solution*

Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of mycophenolate mofetil ($C_{23}H_{31}NO_7$) dissolved:

$$\text{Result} = (A_U/A_S) \times C_S \times V \times D \times (1/L) \times 100$$

A_U = absorbance of the *Sample solution*

A_S = absorbance of the *Standard solution*

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

V = volume of *Medium*, 900 mL

D = dilution factor, 10

L = label claim (mg/Capsule)

Tolerances: NLT 80% (Q) of the labeled amount of mycophenolate mofetil ($C_{23}H_{31}NO_7$) is dissolved.

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

IMPURITIES

Change to read:

- **ORGANIC IMPURITIES**▲ (USP 1-Aug-2023)

Mobile phase, Standard solution, Sample solution, and Chromatographic system: Proceed as directed in the Assay.

Sensitivity solution: 0.0625 μ g/mL of [USP Mycophenolate Mofetil RS](#)▲ from *Standard solution*▲ (USP 1-Aug-2023) in *acetonitrile*

System suitability

Samples: *Standard solution* and *Sensitivity solution*

Suitability requirements

Tailing factor: NMT 2, *Standard solution*

Relative standard deviation: NMT 2.0%, *Standard solution*

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

Analysis

▲▲ (USP 1-Aug-2023)

Samples: *Standard solution* and *Sample solution*

Calculate the percentage of ▲any specified and unspecified degradation product▲ (USP 1-Aug-2023) in the portion of Capsules taken:

$$\text{Result} = (r_u/r_s) \times (C_s/C_u) \times (1/F) \times 100$$

r_u = peak response of each ▲▲ (USP 1-Aug-2023) impurity from the *Sample solution*

r_s = peak response of mycophenolate mofetil from the *Standard solution*

C_s = concentration of [USP Mycophenolate Mofetil RS](#) in the *Standard solution* (mg/mL)

C_u = nominal concentration of mycophenolate mofetil in the *Sample solution* (mg/mL)

F = relative response factor ▲▲ (USP 1-Aug-2023) (see [Table 1](#))

Acceptance criteria: See [Table 1](#). ▲The reporting threshold is 0.05%.▲ (USP 1-Aug-2023)

Table 1

Name	Relative Retention Time	Relative Response Factor	Acceptance Criteria, NMT (%)
Mycophenolic acid ^a	0.6	1.4	1.0
▲▲ (USP 1-Aug-2023) <i>N</i> -oxide analog ^b	0.8	1.0	0.2
Mycophenolate mofetil	1.0	—	—
▲Any unspecified degradation product▲ (USP 1-Aug-2023)	—	1.0	0.1
Total degradation products	—	—	1.5

^a (E)-6-(1,3-Dihydro-4-hydroxy-6-methoxy-7-methyl-3-oxo-5-isobenzofuranyl)-4-methyl-4-hexenoic acid.

^b 2-Morpholinoethyl (E)-6-(1,3-dihydro-4-hydroxy-6-methoxy-7-methyl-3-oxo-5-isobenzofuranyl)-4-methyl-4-hexenoate *N*-oxide.

Change to read:

- **LIMIT OF Z-MYCOPHENOLATE MOFETIL**

[NOTE—Z-Mycophenolate mofetil is ▲2-Morpholinoethyl (Z)-6-(1,3-dihydro-4-hydroxy-6-methoxy-7-methyl-3-oxo-5-isobenzofuranyl)-4-methyl-4-hexenoate.▲ (USP 1-Aug-2023)]

Triethylamine solution: Prepare as directed in the Assay.

Mobile phase: [Acetonitrile](#) and *Triethylamine solution* (35:65)

Standard solution: 0.025 mg/mL of [USP Mycophenolate Mofetil RS](#) in *acetonitrile*

Sensitivity solution: 1.25 µg/mL of [USP Mycophenolate Mofetil RS](#)▲ from *Standard solution*▲ (USP 1-Aug-2023) in [acetonitrile](#)

Sample solution: Nominally 2.5 mg/mL of mycophenolate mofetil prepared as follows. Transfer the contents of the Capsules including Capsule shells, equivalent to 1.25 g of mycophenolate mofetil, to a 500-mL volumetric flask. Add 50 mL of [water](#) and shake mechanically for a minimum of 15 min. Add 350 mL of [acetonitrile](#), sonicate for 15 min, and shake mechanically for 20 min. Dilute with [acetonitrile](#) to volume. Pass through a nylon filter of 0.45-µm pore size and discard the first 2 mL of the filtrate.

Chromatographic system

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

Mode: LC

Detector: UV 215 nm

Column: 4.6-mm × 15-cm; 3.5-µm packing [L7](#)

Column temperature: 60°

Flow rate: 1.5 mL/min

Injection volume: 10 µL

Run time: 1.7 times the retention time of the mycophenolate mofetil peak

System suitability

Samples: *Standard solution* and *Sensitivity solution*

[NOTE—The relative retention times for mycophenolate mofetil and Z-mycophenolate mofetil are 1.0 and 1.1, respectively.]

Suitability requirements

Tailing factor: NMT 2.0, *Standard solution*

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

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

Analysis

Samples: *Standard solution* and *Sample solution*

Calculate the percentage of Z-mycophenolate mofetil in the portion of Capsules taken:

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

r_U = peak response of Z-mycophenolate mofetil from the *Sample solution*

r_S = peak response of mycophenolate mofetil from the *Standard solution*

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

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

Acceptance criteria: NMT 0.10%

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- PACKAGING AND STORAGE:** Preserve in well-closed, light-resistant containers, and store at controlled room temperature.
- LABELING:** When more than one *Dissolution* test is given, the labeling states the test used only if *Test 1* is not used.
- USP REFERENCE STANDARDS (11)**
[USP Mycophenolate Mofetil RS](#)

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