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## Naproxen Delayed-Release Tablets

### DEFINITION

Naproxen Delayed-Release Tablets contain NLT 90.0% and NMT 110.0% of the labeled amount of naproxen ( $C_{14}H_{14}O_3$ ).

### IDENTIFICATION

- **A. SPECTROSCOPIC IDENTIFICATION TESTS** (197), [Ultraviolet-Visible Spectroscopy: 197U](#)

**Standard solution** and **Sample solution**: Prepare as directed in the *Buffer stage* of the *Dissolution* test.

**Acceptance criteria**: Meet the requirements

- **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

**Mobile phase**: Acetonitrile and 1% acetic acid solution (900:1100). Filter and degas.

**Diluent A**: Acetonitrile and water (9:1)

**Diluent B**: Acetonitrile and water (1:1)

**Standard stock solution**: 0.5 mg/mL of [USP Naproxen RS](#) in *Diluent A*

**Standard solution**: 0.1 mg/mL of [USP Naproxen RS](#) in *Mobile phase* from the *Standard stock solution*

**Sample solution**: Transfer an amount nominally equivalent to 250 mg of naproxen from 20 powdered Tablets into a 100-mL volumetric flask, and add about 70 mL of *Diluent B*. Shake by mechanical means for 15 min, sonicate for 15 min, dilute with *Diluent B* to volume, and mix.

Pass this solution through a suitable filter of 0.45- $\mu$ m pore size. Transfer 2.0 mL of the filtrate into a 50-mL volumetric flask, and dilute with *Mobile phase* to volume.

#### Chromatographic system

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

**Mode**: LC

**Detector**: UV 254 nm

**Column**: 4.6-mm  $\times$  25-cm; 5- $\mu$ m packing L1

**Flow rate**: 1.0 mL/min

**Injection volume**: 50  $\mu$ L

#### 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 naproxen ( $C_{14}H_{14}O_3$ ) in the portion of Tablets taken:

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

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

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

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

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

**Acceptance criteria**: 90.0%–110.0%

**Change to read**:

### PERFORMANCE TESTS

- [DISSOLUTION, Delayed-Release Dosage Forms, Method B \(711\)](#).

**Acid stage**

**Medium:** 0.1 N hydrochloric acid; 1000 mL

**Apparatus 2:** 50 rpm

**Time:** 2 h

**Standard solution:** A known concentration of [USP Naproxen RS](#) in *Medium*

**Sample solution:** Pass a portion of the solution under test through a suitable filter. Dilute with *Medium* if necessary.

**Analysis:** Determine the amount of naproxen ( $C_{14}H_{14}O_3$ ) dissolved by UV absorption at the wavelength of maximum absorbance at about 332 nm with the *Sample solution* in comparison with the *Standard solution*.

**Tolerances:** NMT 10% (Q) of the labeled amount of naproxen ( $C_{14}H_{14}O_3$ ) is dissolved.

#### Buffer stage

**Buffer:** 0.2 M phosphate buffer, pH 6.8

**Medium:** *Buffer*; 1000 mL

**Apparatus 2:** 50 rpm

**Time:** 45 min

**Standard solution:** A known concentration of [USP Naproxen RS](#) in *Medium*

**Sample solution:** Pass a portion of the solution under test through a suitable filter. Dilute with *Medium* if necessary.

**Analysis:** Determine the amount of naproxen ( $C_{14}H_{14}O_3$ ) dissolved by UV absorption at the wavelength of maximum absorbance at about 332 nm with the *Sample solution* in comparison with the *Standard solution*.

**Tolerances:** NLT 80% (Q) of the labeled amount of naproxen ( $C_{14}H_{14}O_3$ ) is dissolved.

#### Change to read:

##### • [UNIFORMITY OF DOSAGE UNITS \(905\)](#):

▲Meet the requirements▲ (CN 1-Aug-2023)

#### Procedure for content uniformity

**Mobile phase, Diluent A, Diluent B, Chromatographic system, and System suitability:** Proceed as directed in the Assay.

**Standard stock solution:** 0.25 mg/mL of [USP Naproxen RS](#) in *Diluent A*

**Standard solution:** 0.1 mg/mL of [USP Naproxen RS](#) in *Diluent B* from *Standard stock solution*

**Sample solution:** Transfer 1 Tablet to a 200-mL volumetric flask, and add 140 mL of *Diluent B*. Shake by mechanical means for 15 min, sonicate for 15 min, and dilute with *Diluent B* to volume. Pass a portion of this solution through a suitable filter of 0.45-µm pore size, pipet 2.0 mL of the filtrate for a 500-mg tablet and 2.5 mL for a 375-mg tablet into a 50-mL volumetric flask, and dilute with *Mobile phase* to volume.

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#### ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

• **PACKAGING AND STORAGE:** Preserve in well-closed containers, and store at controlled room temperature.

• [USP REFERENCE STANDARDS \(11\)](#).

[USP Naproxen RS](#)

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

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