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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- μ 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- μ m packing L1

Flow rate: 1.0 mL/min

Injection volume: 50 μ 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- μ m 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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