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# Ofloxacin Tablets

## DEFINITION

Ofloxacin Tablets contain NLT 90.0% and NMT 110.0% of the labeled amount of ofloxacin ( $C_{18}H_{20}FN_3O_4$ ).

## IDENTIFICATION

### Change to read:

• **A.** (USP 1-Dec-2024) The retention time of the major peak of the *Sample solution* corresponds to that of the *Standard solution*, as obtained in the Assay.

### Add the following:

• **B.** 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-Dec-2024)

## ASSAY

### Change to read:

#### PROCEDURE

**Buffer:** (USP 1-Dec-2024) Dissolve 2.72 g/L (USP 1-Dec-2024) of [monobasic potassium phosphate](#) in [water](#). Adjust with diluted [phosphoric acid](#) to a pH of 3.3. (USP 1-Dec-2024)

**Mobile phase:** [Acetonitrile](#) and **Buffer** (12:88) (USP 1-Dec-2024)

**Diluent 1:** [Methanol](#) and [glacial acetic acid](#) (75:25) (USP 1-Dec-2024)

**Diluent 2:** [Acetonitrile](#) and [water](#) (10:90) (USP 1-Dec-2024)

**Standard stock solution:** 1 mg/mL of [USP Ofloxacin RS](#) in *Diluent 1*

**Standard solution:** 0.02 mg/mL (USP 1-Dec-2024) of [USP Ofloxacin RS](#) from the *Standard stock solution* in *Diluent 2*

**Sample stock solution:** Nominally 1 mg/mL of ofloxacin from Tablets prepared as follows. Transfer a suitable portion of ofloxacin from powdered Tablets to a suitable volumetric flask. Add 70% of the flask volume of *Diluent 1*, sonicate for 20 min, and dilute with *Diluent 1* to volume. Pass the solution through a suitable filter of 0.45-μm pore size, and collect the filtrate. (USP 1-Dec-2024)

**Sample solution:** Nominally 0.02 mg/mL of ofloxacin from the *Sample stock solution* in *Diluent 2*. (USP 1-Dec-2024)

### Chromatographic system

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

**Mode:** LC

**Detector:** UV 294 nm. For *Identification B*, use a diode array detector in the range of 200–400 nm. (USP 1-Dec-2024)

**Column:** 4.6-mm × 10-cm; 3.5-μm (USP 1-Dec-2024) packing [L1](#)

**Flow rate:** 1 mL/min

**Injection volume:** 20 μL

**Run time:** NLT 1.5 times the retention time of the ofloxacin peak (USP 1-Dec-2024)

### System suitability

**Sample:** *Standard solution*

#### Suitability requirements

**Tailing factor:** NMT 2.0

**Relative standard deviation:** NMT 1.0% (USP 1-Dec-2024)

### Analysis

**Samples:** *Standard solution* and *Sample solution*

Calculate the percentage of ▲the labeled amount of ▲ (USP 1-Dec-2024) ofloxacin ( $C_{18}H_{20}FN_3O_4$ ) in the portion of Tablets taken:

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

$r_U$  = peak response ▲of ofloxacin ▲ (USP 1-Dec-2024) from the *Sample solution*

$r_S$  = peak response ▲of ofloxacin ▲ (USP 1-Dec-2024) from the *Standard solution*

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

$C_U$  = nominal concentration of ▲ofloxacin in ▲ (USP 1-Dec-2024) the *Sample solution* (mg/mL)

**Acceptance criteria:** 90.0%–110.0%

## PERFORMANCE TESTS

**Change to read:**

• [DISSOLUTION \(711\).](#)

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

**Apparatus 1:** 100 rpm

**Time:** 30 min

**Standard stock solution:** 0.44 mg/mL of [USP Ofloxacin RS](#) in [methanol](#)

**Standard solution:** ▲0.0088 mg/mL ▲ (USP 1-Dec-2024) of [USP Ofloxacin RS](#) from the *Standard stock solution* ▲in ▲ (USP 1-Dec-2024) *Medium*

**Sample solution:** Pass a portion of the solution under test through a suitable ▲filter of ▲ (USP 1-Dec-2024) 0.45-μm ▲pore size. ▲ (USP 1-Dec-2024)

Dilute a portion of the filtrate with *Medium* to obtain a final theoretical concentration of ▲0.0088 mg/mL ▲ (USP 1-Dec-2024) assuming complete dissolution of the label claim.

## Spectrometric conditions

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

**Mode:** UV-Vis

**Analytical wavelength:** 294 nm

▲**Path length:** ▲ (USP 1-Dec-2024) 1 cm

**Blank:** *Medium*

## Analysis

**Samples:** *Standard solution* and *Sample solution*

Calculate the percentage of ▲the labeled amount of ▲ (USP 1-Dec-2024) ofloxacin ( $C_{18}H_{20}FN_3O_4$ ) dissolved:

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

$A_U$  = absorbance from the *Sample solution*

$A_S$  = absorbance from the *Standard solution*

$C_S$  = concentration of ofloxacin in the *Standard solution* (mg/mL)

$V$  = volume of *Medium*, 900 mL

$D$  = dilution factor for the *Sample solution*

$L$  = label claim (mg/Tablet)

**Tolerances:** NLT 80% (Q) of the labeled amount of ofloxacin ( $C_{18}H_{20}FN_3O_4$ ) is dissolved.

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

## IMPURITIES

**Change to read:**

• **ORGANIC IMPURITIES**

▲**Buffer:**▲ (USP 1-Dec-2024) 2.72 ▲g/L▲ (USP 1-Dec-2024) of [monobasic potassium phosphate](#) in [water](#). Adjust with diluted [phosphoric acid](#) to a pH of 3.3.▲ (USP 1-Dec-2024)

**Solution A:** [Acetonitrile](#) and ▲*Buffer* (12:88)▲ (USP 1-Dec-2024)

**Solution B:** [Acetonitrile](#) and ▲*Buffer* (60:40)▲ (USP 1-Dec-2024)

**Mobile phase:** See ▲[Table 1](#).

**Table 1**▲ (USP 1-Dec-2024)

| Time (min) | Solution A (%) | Solution B (%) |
|------------|----------------|----------------|
| 0          | 100            | 0              |
| 8          | 100            | 0              |
| 25         | 40             | 60             |
| 26         | 100            | 0              |
| 40         | 100            | 0              |

▲**Sensitivity solution:** 1 µg/mL of [USP Ofloxacin RS](#) in [methanol](#)▲ (USP 1-Dec-2024)

**Standard solution:** ▲0.002 mg/mL▲ (USP 1-Dec-2024) of [USP Ofloxacin RS](#) in [methanol](#)

**Sample solution:** ▲Nominally 1 mg/mL of ofloxacin from Tablets prepared as follows. Transfer a suitable portion of ofloxacin from powdered Tablets to a suitable volumetric flask. Add 70% of the flask volume▲ (USP 1-Dec-2024) of [methanol](#) and sonicate for 20 min. Dilute with [methanol](#) to volume. Pass a portion of this solution through a filter having a 0.45-µm ▲pore size,▲ (USP 1-Dec-2024) discarding the first 5 mL.▲ (USP 1-Dec-2024)

**Chromatographic system**  
(See [Chromatography \(621\). System Suitability.](#))

**Mode:** LC

**Detector:** UV 294 nm

**Column:** 4.6-mm × 10-cm; ▲3-µm▲ (USP 1-Dec-2024) packing [L1](#)

**Flow rate:** 1 mL/min

**Injection volume:** 10 µL

**System suitability**

**Samples:** ▲*Sensitivity solution* and▲ (USP 1-Dec-2024) *Standard solution*

▲[NOTE—The relative retention times in [Table 2](#) are provided as information that could aid in peak assignment.]

**Table 2**▲ (USP 1-Dec-2024)

| Name                                                   | Relative Retention Time |
|--------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| ▲Desfluorooxofloxacin▲ (USP 1-Dec-2024) <sup>a</sup>   | 0.5                     |
| ▲Ofloxacin                                             | 1.0▲ (USP 1-Dec-2024)   |
| ▲Despiperazineofloxacin▲ (USP 1-Dec-2024) <sup>b</sup> | 3.6                     |

- a  (USP 1-Dec-2024) 2,3-Dihydro-3-methyl-10-(4-methyl-1-piperazinyl)-7-oxo-7H-pyrido[1,2,3-de]-1,4-benzoxazine-6-carboxylic acid  (USP 1-Dec-2024) ·
- b  (USP 1-Dec-2024) 9,10-Difluoro-3-methyl-7-oxo-2,3-dihydro-7H-pyrido[1,2,3-de]-1,4-benzoxazine-6-carboxylic acid  (USP 1-Dec-2024) ·

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*  (USP 1-Dec-2024)

Analysis

Samples: *Standard solution* and *Sample solution*

Calculate the percentage of any  (USP 1-Dec-2024) impurity in the portion of Tablets taken:

Result =  $(r_U/r_S) \times (C_S/C_U) \times (1/F) \times 100$

- $r_U$  = peak response of each  (USP 1-Dec-2024) impurity from the *Sample solution*
- $r_S$  = peak response of ofloxacin from the *Standard solution*
- $C_S$  = concentration of [USP Ofloxacin RS](#) in the *Standard solution* (mg/mL)
- $C_U$  = nominal concentration of ofloxacin in the *Sample solution* (mg/mL)
- $F$  = relative response factor   (USP 1-Dec-2024) (see  [Table 3](#)  (USP 1-Dec-2024) )

Acceptance criteria: See  [Table 3](#). The reporting threshold is 0.1%.

Table 3  (USP 1-Dec-2024)

| Name                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Relative Response Factor | Acceptance Criteria, NMT (%) |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|
|  Desfluorooxofloxacin  (USP 1-Dec-2024)                   | 1                        | 0.3                          |
|  Despiperazineofloxacin  (USP 1-Dec-2024)                 | 0.22                     | 0.3                          |
|  Any unspecified degradation product <br>(USP 1-Dec-2024) | 1                        | 0.2                          |
|  Total degradation products  (USP 1-Dec-2024)             | —                        | 1.0                          |

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- **PACKAGING AND STORAGE:** Preserve in well-closed containers. Store at controlled room temperature.
- **USP REFERENCE STANDARDS (11).**  
[USP Ofloxacin RS](#)

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