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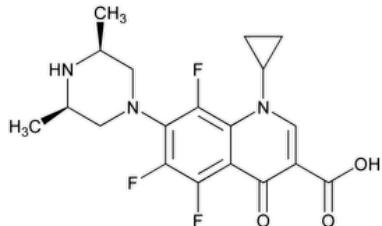
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Orbifloxacin

 $C_{19}H_{20}F_3N_3O_3$ 395.381-Cyclopropyl-7-(*cis*-3,5-dimethyl-1-piperazinyl)-5,6,8-trifluoro-1,4-dihydro-4-oxo-3-quinolinecarboxylic acid CAS RN®: 113617-63-3; UNII: 660932TPY6.» Orbifloxacin contains not less than 98.5 percent and not more than 101.5 percent of $C_{19}H_{20}F_3N_3O_3$, calculated on the anhydrous basis.**Packaging and storage**—Preserve in well-closed containers. Store at room temperature.**USP REFERENCE STANDARDS (11)**—[USP Orbifloxacin RS](#)**Identification**—**A:** [Spectroscopic/Identification Tests \(197\), Infrared Spectroscopy: 197K](#)**B:** The retention time of the major peak in the chromatogram of the *Assay preparation* corresponds to that in the chromatogram of the *Standard preparation*, as obtained in the *Assay*.**Change to read:****C:** ▲ [X-Ray Powder Diffraction \(941\)](#)—▲ (CN 1-May-2022) The X-ray diffraction pattern conforms to that of [USP Orbifloxacin RS](#), similarly determined.**MICROBIAL ENUMERATION TESTS (61)**—The total combined molds and yeasts count does not exceed 100 cfu per g.**pH (791)**: between 6.5 and 7.8, in a solution containing 10 mg per mL.**WATER DETERMINATION, Method Ic (921)**: between 1.5% and 2.9%.**RESIDUE ON IGNITION (281)**: not more than 0.1%.**Related compounds**—*Buffer, Mobile phase, System suitability preparation, Standard preparation, and Chromatographic system*—Prepare as directed in the *Assay*.*Standard solution*—Dilute, quantitatively with *Buffer*, the *Standard preparation* to obtain a solution having a known concentration of about 0.00004 mg per mL.*Test solution*—Transfer about 40 mg of Orbifloxacin, accurately weighed, to a 200-mL volumetric flask, dissolve in and dilute with *Buffer* to volume, and mix.*Chromatographic system* (see [CHROMATOGRAPHY \(621\)](#))—Inject the *Buffer* as directed for *Procedure* to verify that there are no interfering peaks.*Procedure*—Separately inject equal volumes (about 10 μ L) of the *Standard solution* and the *Test solution* into the chromatograph, record the chromatograms, and measure the area responses for the major peaks. Calculate the percentage of related compounds in the portion of Orbifloxacin taken by the formula:

$$20,000(C_s)(r_i/r_s)(1/F)(1/W)$$

in which C_s is the concentration, in mg per mL, of orbifloxacin in the *Standard solution*; r_i is the peak area response for each impurity obtained from the *Test solution*; r_s is the peak area response for the orbifloxacin peak obtained from the *Standard solution*; F is the relative response factor for each impurity, as presented in [Table 1](#); and W is the sample weight taken to prepare the *Test solution* (mg).

Table 1

Component/Impurity	Approximate Relative Retention Time	Relative Response Factor (F)	Limit %
cis, cis-1-Cyclopropyl-5,7-bis(3,5-dimethyl-1-piperazinyl)-6,8-difluoro-1,4-dihydro-4-oxo-3-quinolinecarboxylic acid	0.5	0.36	NMT 0.2
cis-1-Cyclopropyl-7-(3,5-dimethyl-1-piperazinyl)-5,6,8-trifluoro-4(1H)-quinolinone	0.65	0.27	NMT 0.2
7-[(2-Aminopropyl)amino]-1-cyclopropyl-5,6-difluoro-1,4-dihydro-4-oxo-3-quinolinecarboxylic acid	0.75	0.49	NMT 0.2
Orbifloxacin	1.0	1.00	—
1-Cyclopropyl-7-(3,5-dimethyl-1-piperazinyl)-6,8-difluoro-1,4-dihydro-4-oxo-3-quinolinecarboxylic acid	1.4	0.84	NMT 0.2
cis-1-Cyclopropyl-7-(3,5-dimethyl-1-piperazinyl)-6,8-difluoro-1,4-dihydro-5-hydroxy-4-oxo-3-quinolinecarboxylic acid	2.7	0.73	NMT 0.2
cis-1-Cyclopropyl-5-(3,5-dimethyl-1-piperazinyl)-6,7,8-trifluoro-1,4-dihydro-4-oxo-3-quinolinecarboxylic acid	3.6	0.11	NMT 0.2
1-Cyclopropyl-5,6,7,8-tetrafluoro-1,4-dihydro-4-oxo-3-quinolinecarboxylic acid	6.8	0.16	NMT 0.2
Unknown	—	1.0	—
Total known and unknown	—	—	NMT 0.4

Assay—

Buffer—In a 2-L flask, dissolve about 11.8 g of sodium citrate in 1600 mL of water, and mix. Add 180 mL of acetic acid, and mix. Adjust with 6 N sodium hydroxide to a pH of 3.5, dilute with water to about 2 L, and mix.

Mobile phase—Prepare a filtered and degassed mixture of **Buffer**, methanol, and dioxane (86:11:4). Make adjustments if necessary (see **System Suitability** under [Chromatography \(621\)](#)).

Standard stock preparation—Dissolve in **Buffer** an accurately weighed quantity of [USP Orbifloxacin RS](#) to obtain a solution having a known concentration of about 0.2 mg per mL.

Standard preparation—Accurately transfer a quantity of **Standard stock preparation**, and dilute with **Buffer** to obtain a solution having a known concentration of about 0.02 mg per mL.

System suitability preparation—Dissolve about 40 mg of methyl 4-aminobenzoate in 2 mL of methanol, and dilute with **Buffer** to 200 mL. Pipet 10.0 mL of this solution and 10.0 mL of **Standard stock preparation** into a 100-mL volumetric flask. Dilute with **Buffer** to volume, and mix.

Assay preparation—Transfer about 40 mg of Orbifloxacin accurately weighed, to a 200-mL volumetric flask, dissolve in and dilute with *Buffer* to volume, and mix. Dilute with *Buffer* an aliquot of the resulting solution to obtain a solution having a known concentration of about 0.02 mg per mL.

Chromatographic system (see [CHROMATOGRAPHY \(621\)](#))—The liquid chromatograph is equipped with a 290-nm detector and 4.6-mm × 3.0-cm column that contains 3-μm packing L1. The flow rate is about 1.0 mL per minute. Prior to injecting the *System suitability preparation*, flush the column with approximately 50 mL of a mixture of acetonitrile and water (9:1). Chromatograph the *System suitability preparation*, and record the peak response as directed for *Procedure*: the relative retention times are about 1.3 for methyl 4-aminobenzoate and 1.0 for orbifloxacin; the resolution, *R*, between methyl 4-aminobenzoate and orbifloxacin is not less than 2; the tailing factor is not more than 1.8; and the relative standard deviation for replicate injections is not more than 2.0%.

Procedure—Separately inject equal volumes (about 10 μL) of the *Standard preparation* and the *Assay preparation* into the chromatograph, record the chromatographs, and measure the area responses for the major peaks. Calculate the quantity, in mg, of $C_{19}H_{20}F_3N_3O_3$ in the portion of Orbifloxacin taken by the formula:

$$2000C(r_u/r_s)$$

in which *C* is the concentration, in mg per mL, of [USP Orbifloxacin RS](#) in the *Standard preparation*; and r_u and r_s are the peak area responses obtained from the *Assay preparation* and the *Standard preparation*, respectively.

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