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## Primaquine Phosphate Tablets

### DEFINITION

Primaquine Phosphate Tablets contain NLT 93.0% and NMT 107.0% of the labeled amount of primaquine phosphate ( $C_{15}H_{21}N_3O \cdot 2H_3PO_4$ ).

### 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-2020)
- **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

**Mobile phase:** [Acetonitrile](#), [tetrahydrofuran](#), [trifluoroacetic acid](#), and [water](#) (9:1:0.1:90)

**Standard solution:** 0.4 mg/mL of [USP Primaquine Phosphate RS](#) in *Mobile phase*. Sonicate with intermittent shaking to dissolve, if necessary.

**System suitability stock solution:** 0.4 mg/mL of [USP Primaquine Related Compound A RS](#) in *Mobile phase*

**System suitability solution:** Transfer 1.0 mL of *System suitability stock solution* to a 10-mL volumetric flask, and dilute with *Standard solution* to volume.

**Sensitivity solution:** 0.2 µg/mL of [USP Primaquine Phosphate RS](#) from *Standard solution* ▲in *Mobile phase*▲ (USP 1-Aug-2020)

**Sample stock solution:** Transfer a quantity of Tablets (NLT 20), accurately counted and weighed, to a 500-mL volumetric flask. Add 300 mL of *Mobile phase*, then sonicate and shake for 15 min. Add 150 mL of *Mobile phase*, then sonicate and shake for 15 min. Dilute with *Mobile phase* to volume, and filter.

**Sample solution:** ▲Nominally▲ (USP 1-Aug-2020) 0.4 mg/mL of primaquine phosphate in *Mobile phase* from the *Sample stock solution*

#### Chromatographic system

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

**Mode:** LC

**Detector:** UV 265 nm. ▲For *Identification A*, use a diode array detector in the range of 220–400 nm.▲ (USP 1-Aug-2020)

**Column:** 4.6-mm × 75-mm; 3-µm packing [L7](#)

**Flow rate:** 1.5 mL/min

**Injection volume:** 10 µL

**Run time:** ▲NLT▲ (USP 1-Aug-2020) 3 times the retention time of primaquine

#### System suitability

**Samples:** *Standard solution*, *System suitability solution*, and *Sensitivity solution*

#### Suitability requirements

**Resolution:** NLT 2.5 between primaquine phosphate and primaquine related compound A, *System suitability solution*

**Relative standard deviation:** NMT 1.0% for primaquine phosphate, *Standard solution*

**Signal-to-noise ratio:** NLT 10 for the primaquine peak, *Sensitivity solution*

#### Analysis

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

Calculate the percentage of primaquine phosphate ( $C_{15}H_{21}N_3O \cdot 2H_3PO_4$ ) in the portion of Tablets taken:

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

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

$r_s$  = peak response from the *Standard solution*

$C_s$  = concentration of [USP Primaquine Phosphate RS](#) in the *Standard solution* (mg/mL)

$C_u$  = nominal concentration of primaquine phosphate in the *Sample solution* (mg/mL)

**Acceptance criteria:** 93.0%–107.0%

## PERFORMANCE TESTS

**Change to read:**

### • [DISSOLUTION \(711\)](#)

**Medium:** [0.01 N hydrochloric acid](#); 900 mL

**Apparatus 2:** 50 rpm

**Time:** 60 min

**Solution A:** 961 mg of [sodium 1-pentanesulfonate](#) and 1 mL of [glacial acetic acid](#) in 400 mL of [water](#)

**Mobile phase:** [Methanol](#) and *Solution A* (3:2)

**Sample solution:** Pass a portion of the solution under test through an appropriate filter.

**Standard solution:** [USP Primaquine Phosphate RS](#) in *Medium* in a concentration similar that of the *Sample solution*

**Chromatographic system**

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

**Mode:** LC

**Detector:** UV 254 nm

**Column:** 3.9-mm × 30-cm; packing [L1](#)

**Flow rate:** 2 mL/min

**Injection volume:** 20 µL

**System suitability**

**Sample:** *Standard solution*

**Suitability requirements**

**Relative standard deviation:** NMT 3.0%

**Analysis**

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

Calculate the ▲percentage of the labeled▲ (USP 1-Aug-2020) amount of primaquine phosphate ( $C_{15}H_{21}N_3O \cdot 2H_3PO_4$ ) dissolved.

$$\text{▲Result} = (r_u/r_s) \times (C_s/L) \times V \times D \times 100$$

$r_u$  = peak response of primaquine from the *Sample solution*

$r_s$  = peak response of primaquine from the *Standard solution*

$C_s$  = concentration of [USP Primaquine Phosphate RS](#) in the *Standard solution* (mg/mL)

$L$  = label claim (mg/Tablet)

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

$D$  = dilution factor for the *Sample solution*, if applicable▲ (USP 1-Aug-2020)

**Tolerances:** NLT 80% ( $Q$ ) of the labeled amount of primaquine phosphate ( $C_{15}H_{21}N_3O \cdot 2H_3PO_4$ ) is dissolved.

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

## IMPURITIES

**Change to read:**

### • ORGANIC IMPURITIES

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

**Analysis**

**Sample:** *Sample solution*

Calculate the percentage of each impurity in the portion of Tablets taken:

$r_U$  = peak response of each impurity from the *Sample solution*

$r_T$  = peak response of primaquine phosphate from the *Sample solution*

**Acceptance criteria:** See [Table 1](#).

[NOTE—▲The reporting threshold is ▲ (USP 1-Aug-2020) 0.05%.]

**Table 1**

| Name  | Relative Retention Time | Acceptance Criteria, NMT (%) |
|---|-------------------------|------------------------------|
| ▲Methoxyquinolinamine▲ (USP 1-Aug-2020)<br><a href="#">a</a> ▲ <a href="#">b</a> ▲ (USP 1-Aug-2020) | 0.24                    | —                            |
| ▲Phthalhydrazide <sup>c</sup> ▲ (USP 1-Aug-2020)  | 0.29                    | 0.60                         |
| Primaquine related compound A <a href="#">a</a> ▲ <a href="#">d</a> ▲ (USP 1-Aug-2020)              | 0.80                    | —                            |
| Primaquine  | 1.0                     | —                            |
| ▲Secaquine▲ (USP 1-Aug-2020) <a href="#">a</a> ▲ <a href="#">e</a> ▲ (USP 1-Aug-2020)               | 1.8                     | —                            |
| Any other individual impurity   | —                       | 0.20                         |
| Total impurities  | —                       | 1.0                          |

- <sup>a</sup> These process impurities are listed for information only and are not quantified in the drug product.
- <sup>b</sup> 6-Methoxyquinolin-8-amine.
- <sup>c</sup> 2,3-Dihydrophthalazine-1,4-dione.
- <sup>d</sup> 8-[(4-Aminopentyl)amino]-6-methoxyquinoline.
- <sup>e</sup> *N*<sup>3</sup>-(6-Methoxyquinolin-8-yl)pentane-1,3-diamine.

**ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS**

**Change to read:**

- **PACKAGING AND STORAGE:** Preserve in well-closed, light-resistant containers ▲at controlled room temperature.▲ (USP 1-Aug-2020)
- **USP REFERENCE STANDARDS (11).**  
[USP Primaquine Phosphate RS](#)  
[USP Primaquine Related Compound A RS](#)  
8-[(4-Aminopentyl)amino]-6-methoxyquinoline.  
 $C_{15}H_{21}N_3O$  259.35

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