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Prochlorperazine Oral Solution

DEFINITION

Prochlorperazine Oral Solution contains an amount of Prochlorperazine Edisylate equivalent to NLT 92.0% and NMT 108.0% of the labeled amount of prochlorperazine ($C_{20}H_{24}ClN_3S$).

[NOTE—Throughout the following procedures, protect the sample, the Reference Standard, and solutions containing them, by conducting the procedures without delay, under subdued light, or using low-actinic glassware.]

IDENTIFICATION

• A.

Analysis: To 2 mL of Oral Solution add 3 mL of water and 3 or 4 drops of ferric chloride TS.

Acceptance criteria: A stable red color is produced.

• B.

Analysis: To 1 mL of Oral Solution add 10 mL of bromine TS, previously warmed to room temperature.

Acceptance criteria: Essentially no color change occurs (distinction from chlorpromazine hydrochloride, which immediately produces a green color).

ASSAY

• PROCEDURE

Ion-pairing solution: Dissolve 4.33 g of sodium 1-octanesulfonate in 500 mL of water. Add 4.0 mL of glacial acetic acid, and dilute with water to 1 L.

Mobile phase: Acetonitrile, methanol, and *Ion-pairing solution* (40:10:50)

Diluent: A mixture containing 1000 mL of distilled water, 8.6 mL of concentrated hydrochloric acid, and 1000 mL of methanol

Internal standard solution: 0.9 mg/mL of trifluoperazine hydrochloride in *Diluent*

Standard stock solution: 1.0 mg/mL of [USP Prochlorperazine Maleate RS](#) in *Diluent*

Standard solution: 0.09 mg/mL of trifluoperazine hydrochloride from *Internal standard solution* and 0.1 mg/mL of [USP Prochlorperazine Maleate RS](#) from *Standard stock solution*, in *Diluent*

Sample solution: Transfer a quantity of Oral Solution, equivalent to 10.0 mg of prochlorperazine, to a 100-mL volumetric flask, add 10.0 mL of the *Internal standard solution*, and dilute with *Diluent* to volume.

Chromatographic system

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

Mode: LC

Detector: UV 254 nm

Column: 3.9-mm × 15-cm; 10-μm packing L1

Flow rate: 1.5 mL/min

Injection volume: 10 μL

System suitability

Sample: *Standard solution*

[NOTE—The relative retention times for prochlorperazine and trifluoperazine are 1.0 and 1.3, respectively.]

Suitability requirements

Resolution: NLT 2.0 between prochlorperazine and the internal standard

Tailing factor: NMT 2.0

Relative standard deviation: NMT 2.0%

Analysis

Samples: *Standard solution* and *Sample solution*

Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of prochlorperazine ($C_{20}H_{24}ClN_3S$) in the portion of Oral Solution taken:

R_U = peak response ratio of prochlorperazine to the internal standard from the *Sample solution*

R_S = peak response ratio of prochlorperazine to the internal standard from the *Standard solution*

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

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

M_{r1} = molecular weight of prochlorperazine, 373.94

M_{r2} = molecular weight of prochlorperazine maleate, 606.09

Acceptance criteria: 92.0%–108.0%

PERFORMANCE TESTS

- **DELIVERABLE VOLUME (698):** Meets the requirements for Oral Solution packaged in multi-unit containers
- **UNIFORMITY OF DOSAGE UNITS (905):** Meets the requirements for Oral Solution packaged in single-unit containers

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- **PACKAGING AND STORAGE:** Preserve in tight, light-resistant containers.
- **USP REFERENCE STANDARDS (11).**
[USP Prochlorperazine Maleate RS](#)

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