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Quinapril and Hydrochlorothiazide Tablets

DEFINITION
Quinapril and Hydrochlorothiazide Tablets contain NLT 95.0% and NMT 105.0% of the labeled amounts of quinapril (C₂₅H₃₀N₂O₅) and hydrochlorothiazide (C₇H₈ClN₃O₄S₂).

IDENTIFICATION

- **A.** The relative retention times of the major peaks of the *Sample solution* correspond to those of the *Standard solution*, as obtained in the Assay.

Add the following:

- ▲• **B.** The UV spectra of the major peaks of the *Sample solution* correspond to those of the *Standard solution*, as obtained in the Assay.▲ (USP 1-May-2023)

ASSAY

Change to read:

- **PROCEDURE**

Solution A: Dissolve 1.36 g▲ (USP 1-May-2023) of [monobasic potassium phosphate](#) in ▲1000 mL of▲ (USP 1-May-2023) [water](#), add 2 mL of [triethylamine](#), and adjust with [phosphoric acid](#) to a pH of 3.0. Pass through a suitable▲▲ (USP 1-May-2023) filter of 0.45-µm pore size.

Solution B: [Acetonitrile](#)

Mobile phase: See [Table 1](#).

Table 1

Time (min)	Solution A (%)	Solution B (%)
0	75	25
8	40	60
12	40	60
13	75	25
18	75	25

Diluent: *Solution A* and *Solution B* (50:50)

Standard stock solution A: 0.45 mg/mL of [USP Quinapril Hydrochloride RS](#) in *Diluent*

Standard stock solution B: 0.5 mg/mL of [USP Hydrochlorothiazide RS](#) in *Diluent*

Standard solution: ▲Known concentrations of [USP Quinapril Hydrochloride RS](#) and [USP Hydrochlorothiazide RS](#) in *Diluent* from▲ (USP 1-May-2023) *Standard stock solution A* and *Standard stock solution B*▲▲ (USP 1-May-2023) as given in [Table 2](#).

Table 2

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Tablet Strength Quinapril/Hydrochlorothiazide (mg/mg)	USP Quinapril Hydrochloride RS (mg/mL)	USP Hydrochlorothiazide RS (mg/mL)
10/12.5	0.0225	0.025
20/12.5	0.0225	0.0125
20/25	0.0225	0.025

▲ (USP 1-May-2023)

Sample stock solution: Transfer 5 Tablets into a 250-mL volumetric flask, add 50 mL of *Diluent*, and sonicate for 15 min. Add about 50 mL of [acetoneitrile](#), and sonicate for 15 min with shaking. Add 50 mL of *Diluent*, and sonicate for 15 min. Dilute with *Diluent* to volume. ▲Pass through a suitable filter of 0.45-μm pore size. ▲ (USP 1-May-2023)

Sample solution: ▲Nominally ▲ (USP 1-May-2023) 0.02 mg/mL of quinapril in *Diluent* from the *Sample stock solution*. [NOTE—The hydrochlorothiazide concentration may vary depending on the ratio of quinapril ▲ (USP 1-May-2023) to hydrochlorothiazide in the Tablet.]

Chromatographic system

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

Mode: LC

Detector: UV 215 nm. ▲For *Identification B*, use a diode array detector in the range of 190–400 nm. ▲ (USP 1-May-2023)

Column: 4.6-mm × 15-cm; 5-μm packing [L1](#)

Column temperature: 35°

Flow rate: 1 mL/min

Injection volume: 20 μL

System suitability

Sample: *Standard solution*

Suitability requirements

▲ (USP 1-May-2023)

Tailing factor: NMT 2.0 for quinapril and hydrochlorothiazide

Relative standard deviation: NMT 2.0% for quinapril and hydrochlorothiazide

Analysis

Samples: *Standard solution* and *Sample solution*

Calculate the percentage of ▲the labeled amount of ▲ (USP 1-May-2023) quinapril (C₂₅H₃₀N₂O₅) in the portion of Tablets taken:

$$\text{Result} = (r_U/r_S) \times (C_S/C_U) \times (M_{r1}/M_{r2}) \times 100$$

r_U = peak response of quinapril from the *Sample solution*

r_S = peak response of quinapril from the *Standard solution*

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

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

M_{r1} = molecular weight of quinapril, 438.52

M_{r2} = molecular weight of quinapril hydrochloride, 474.98

Calculate the percentage of ▲the labeled amount of ▲ (USP 1-May-2023) hydrochlorothiazide (C₇H₈ClN₃O₄S₂) in the portion of Tablets taken:

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

r_U = peak response of hydrochlorothiazide from the *Sample solution*

r_S = peak response of hydrochlorothiazide from the *Standard solution*

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

C_u = nominal concentration of hydrochlorothiazide in the *Sample solution* (mg/mL)

Acceptance criteria: 95.0%–105.0% ▲ for both quinapril and hydrochlorothiazide ▲ (USP 1-May-2023)

PERFORMANCE TESTS

Change to read:

- [DISSOLUTION \(711\)](#)

Medium: [Water](#); 900 mL

Apparatus 1: 100 rpm

Time: 20 min

Solution A, ▲Solution B, ▲ (USP 1-May-2023) **Mobile phase, ▲Diluent, Standard stock solution A, Standard stock solution B, Standard solution, ▲** (USP 1-May-2023) **Chromatographic system, and System suitability:** Proceed as directed in the Assay.

▲ (USP 1-May-2023)

Sample solution: Pass a portion of the solution under test through a suitable ▲ (USP 1-May-2023) filter of 0.45-μm pore size, discarding the first few milliliters.

Analysis

Samples: *Standard solution* and *Sample solution*

Calculate the percentage of ▲ the labeled amount of ▲ (USP 1-May-2023) quinapril ($C_{25}H_{30}N_2O_5$) dissolved:

$$\text{Result} = (r_u/r_s) \times (C_s/L) \times V \times (M_{r1}/M_{r2}) \times 100$$

r_u = peak response of quinapril from the *Sample solution*

r_s = peak response of quinapril from the *Standard solution*

C_s = concentration of [USP Quinapril Hydrochloride RS](#) in the *Standard solution* ▲ (mg/mL) ▲ (USP 1-May-2023)

L = label claim for quinapril ▲ (USP 1-May-2023) (mg/Tablet)

V = volume of *Medium*, 900 mL

M_{r1} = molecular weight of quinapril, 438.52

M_{r2} = molecular weight of quinapril hydrochloride, 474.98

Calculate the percentage of ▲ the labeled amount of ▲ (USP 1-May-2023) hydrochlorothiazide ($C_7H_8ClN_3O_4S_2$) dissolved:

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

r_u = peak response of hydrochlorothiazide from the *Sample solution*

r_s = peak response of hydrochlorothiazide from the *Standard solution*

C_s = concentration of [USP Hydrochlorothiazide RS](#) in the *Standard solution* ▲ (mg/mL) ▲ (USP 1-May-2023)

L = label claim for hydrochlorothiazide (mg/Tablet)

V = volume of *Medium*, 900 mL

Tolerances: NLT 80% (Q) of the labeled amounts of quinapril ▲ ($C_{25}H_{30}N_2O_5$) ▲ (USP 1-May-2023) and hydrochlorothiazide ($C_7H_8ClN_3O_4S_2$) is dissolved.

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

IMPURITIES

Change to read:

- **ORGANIC IMPURITIES**

Solution A, ▲Solution B,▲ (USP 1-May-2023) **Diluent, and ▲Sample stock solution:▲** (USP 1-May-2023) Prepare as directed in the Assay.

Mobile phase: See [Table 3](#).

Table 3

Time (min)	Solution A (%)	Solution B (%)
0	90	10
10	60	40
30	30	70
31	90	10
40	90	10

▲Sensitivity solution: 0.22 µg/mL of [USP Quinapril Hydrochloride RS](#) in *Diluent*▲ (USP 1-May-2023)

Standard solution: 0.45 µg/mL each of ▲[USP Quinapril Hydrochloride RS](#), [USP Quinapril Related Compound A RS](#), and [USP Quinapril Related Compound B RS](#),▲ (USP 1-May-2023) and 0.5 µg/mL each of ▲[USP Hydrochlorothiazide RS](#) and [USP Benzothiadiazine Related Compound A RS](#)▲ (USP 1-May-2023) in *Diluent*

▲ (USP 1-May-2023)

Sample solution: For Tablet strengths of 10 mg/12.5 mg and 20 mg/12.5 mg of quinapril▲ (USP 1-May-2023) /hydrochlorothiazide, use the *Sample stock solution* as is. For a Tablet strength of 20 mg/25 mg of quinapril▲ (USP 1-May-2023) /hydrochlorothiazide, dilute 5 mL of the *Sample stock solution* with *Diluent* to 10 mL.

Chromatographic system

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

Mode: LC

Detector: UV 215 nm

Column: 4.6-mm × 25-cm; 5-µm packing [L1](#)

Temperatures

Autosampler: 5°

Column: 35°

Flow rate: 1 mL/min

Injection volume: 20 µL

System suitability

Samples: ▲*Sensitivity solution* and▲ (USP 1-May-2023) *Standard solution*

Suitability requirements

▲ (USP 1-May-2023)

Tailing factor: NMT 2.0 for quinapril and hydrochlorothiazide, *Standard solution*

Relative standard deviation: NMT 5.0% for quinapril and hydrochlorothiazide, *Standard solution*

▲Signal-to-noise ratio: NLT 10, *Sensitivity solution*▲ (USP 1-May-2023)

Analysis

Samples: *Standard solution* and *Sample solution*

Calculate the percentage of quinapril related compound A and quinapril related compound B in the portion of Tablets taken:

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

r_U = peak response of quinapril related compound A or quinapril related compound B from the *Sample solution*

r_S = peak response of ▲quinapril related compound A or quinapril related compound B▲ (USP 1-May-2023) from the *Standard solution*

C_s = concentration of [USP Quinapril Related Compound A RS](#) [▲]or [▲](USP 1-May-2023) [USP Quinapril Related Compound B RS](#) in the *Standard solution* (mg/mL)

C_u = nominal concentration of quinapril in the *Sample solution* (mg/mL)

Calculate the percentage of benzothiadiazine related compound A in the portion of Tablets taken:

$$\text{Result} = (r_u/r_s) \times (C_s/C_u) \times 100$$

r_u = peak response of benzothiadiazine related compound A from the *Sample solution*

r_s = peak response of benzothiadiazine related compound A from the *Standard solution*

C_s = concentration of [USP Benzothiadiazine Related Compound A RS](#) in the *Standard solution* (mg/mL)

C_u = nominal concentration of hydrochlorothiazide in the *Sample solution* (mg/mL)

Calculate the percentage of any [▲]unspecified [▲](USP 1-May-2023) impurity in the portion of Tablets taken:

$$\text{Result} = (r_u/r_s) \times (C_s/C_u) \times (M_{r1}/M_{r2}) \times 100$$

r_u = peak response of [▲]any unspecified [▲](USP 1-May-2023) impurity from the *Sample solution*

r_s = peak response of quinapril from the *Standard solution*

C_s = concentration of [USP Quinapril Hydrochloride RS](#) in the *Standard solution* (mg/mL)

C_u = nominal concentration of quinapril in the *Sample solution* (mg/mL)

M_{r1} = molecular weight of quinapril, 438.52

M_{r2} = molecular weight of quinapril hydrochloride, 474.98

Acceptance criteria: See [Table 4](#). [▲]The reporting threshold is 0.1%. [▲](USP 1-May-2023)

Table 4

Name	Relative Retention Time	Acceptance Criteria, NMT (%)
Benzothiadiazine related compound A ^{▲▲} (USP 1-May-2023)	0.42	1.0
Chlorothiazide ^{▲a.} [▲] (USP 1-May-2023) ^b	0.45	—
Hydrochlorothiazide ^{▲▲} (USP 1-May-2023)	0.49	—
5-Chlorohydrochlorothiazide ^{b▲.c} [▲] (USP 1-May-2023)	0.65	—
Quinapril related compound B ^{▲▲} (USP 1-May-2023)	0.74	3.0
Hydrochlorothiazide dimer ^{b▲.d} [▲] (USP 1-May-2023)	0.78	—

Name	Relative Retention Time	Acceptance Criteria, NMT (%)
Quinapril methyl ester ^{b, e} ▲ (USP 1-May-2023)	0.91	—
Quinapril [▲] ▲ (USP 1-May-2023)	1.00	—
Quinapril isopropyl ester ^{b, f} ▲ (USP 1-May-2023)	1.10	—
Hexahydroquinapril ^{b, g} ▲ (USP 1-May-2023)	1.23	—
Quinapril related compound A [▲] ▲ (USP 1-May-2023)	1.59	1.0
Quinapril, benzyl ester ^{b, h} ▲ (USP 1-May-2023)	1.94	—
Any [▲] ▲ (USP 1-May-2023) unspecified impurity	—	0.2
Total impurities ⁱ	—	2.0

^a ▲ 6-Chloro-2*H*-1,2,4-benzothiadiazine-7-sulfonamide 1,1-dioxide. ▲ (USP 1-May-2023)

^b Process related impurity, monitored in the drug substance.

^c ▲ 5,6-Dichloro-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-benzothiadiazine-7-sulfonamide 1,1-dioxide. ▲ (USP 1-May-2023)

^d ▲ 6-Chloro-*N*-[(6-chloro-7-sulfamoyl-2,3-dihydro-4*H*-1,2,4-benzothiadiazine-4-yl 1,1-dioxide)methyl]3,4-dihydro-2*H*-1,2,4-benzothiadiazine-7-sulfonamide 1,1-dioxide.

^e (S)-2-[[[(S)-1-Methoxy-1-oxo-4-phenylbutan-2-yl]-L-alanyl]-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline-3-carboxylic acid.

^f (S)-2-[[[(S)-1-Isopropoxy-1-oxo-4-phenylbutan-2-yl]-L-alanyl]-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline-3-carboxylic acid.

^g (S)-2-[[[(S)-4-Cyclohexyl-1-ethoxy-1-oxobutan-2-yl]-L-alanyl]-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline-3-carboxylic acid.

^h Benzyl (S)-2-[[[(S)-1-ethoxy-1-oxo-4-phenylbutan-2-yl]-L-alanyl]-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline-3-carboxylate. ▲ (USP 1-May-2023)

ⁱ Total impurities does not include quinapril related compound B and benzothiadiazine related compound A.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- **PACKAGING AND STORAGE:** Preserve in well-closed containers, and protect from light. Store at controlled room temperature.

Change to read:

- **USP REFERENCE STANDARDS** (11).

[USP Benzothiadiazine Related Compound A RS](#)

4-Amino-6-chloro-1,3-benzenedisulfonamide.

$C_6H_8ClN_3O_4S_2$ 285.73

[USP Hydrochlorothiazide RS](#)

[USP Quinapril Hydrochloride RS](#)

[USP Quinapril Related Compound A RS](#)

Ethyl[3*S*-[2(*R**),3*a*,11*a* beta]]-1,3,4,6,11,11*a*-hexahydro-3-methyl-1,4-dioxo- α -(2-phenylethyl)-2*H*-pyrazino[1,2-*b*]isoquinoline-2-acetate;

▲ Also known as Ethyl (S)-2-[(3*S*,11*aS*)-3-methyl-1,4-dioxo-1,3,4,6,11,11*a*-hexahydro-2*H*-pyrazino[1,2-*b*]isoquinolin-2-yl)-4-phenylbutanoate. ▲ (USP 1-May-2023)

$C_{25}H_{28}N_2O_4$ ▲420.51 ▲ (USP 1-May-2023)

[USP Quinapril Related Compound B RS](#)

3-Isoquinolinecarboxylic acid, 2-[2-[(1-carboxy-3-phenylpropyl)amino]-1-oxopropyl]-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-, 3*S*-[2(*R**)],3*R**];

▲ Also known as (S)-2-[[[(S)-1-Carboxy-3-phenylpropyl]-L-alanyl]-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline-3-carboxylic acid. ▲ (USP 1-May-2023)

$C_{23}H_{26}N_2O_5$ ▲410.47 ▲ (USP 1-May-2023)

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