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## Rifabutin Compounded Oral Suspension

### DEFINITION

Rifabutin Compounded Oral Suspension contains NLT 90.0% and NMT 110.0% of the labeled amount of rifabutin ( $C_{46}H_{62}N_4O_{11}$ ).

Prepare Rifabutin Compounded Oral Suspension 20 mg/mL as follows (see [Pharmaceutical Compounding—Nonsterile Preparations \(795\)](#)).

Rifabutin capsules <sup>a</sup> equivalent to	3 g of rifabutin
Vehicle: a 1:1 mixture of Ora-Sweet <sup>b</sup> and Ora-Plus, <sup>b</sup> a sufficient quantity to make	150 mL

<sup>a</sup> Mycobutin 150-mg capsules, Pfizer Inc., New York, NY.

<sup>b</sup> Paddock Laboratories, Minneapolis, MN.

Calculate the required quantity of each ingredient for the total amount to be prepared. Empty the required number of *Rifabutin capsules* in a suitable mortar, and comminute to a fine powder. Add the *Vehicle* in small portions, and triturate to make a smooth paste. Add increasing volumes of the *Vehicle* to make a rifabutin liquid that is pourable. Transfer the contents of the mortar, stepwise and quantitatively, to a calibrated bottle. Add enough of the *Vehicle* to bring to final volume, and mix well.

### ASSAY

#### • PROCEDURE

**Solution A:** 100 mM monobasic potassium phosphate buffer, adjusted with 2 N sodium hydroxide to a pH of 6.5

**Mobile phase:** Acetonitrile and *Solution A* (50:50). Filter and degas.

**Standard stock solution:** 2.0 mg/mL of [USP Rifabutin RS](#) in *Mobile phase*

**Standard solution:** Transfer 10 mL of *Standard stock solution* to a 100-mL volumetric flask. Immediately rinse the volumetric apparatus with 10 mL of acetonitrile and 10 mL of *Mobile phase*. Dilute with *Mobile phase* to volume to obtain a solution with a nominal concentration of 0.2 mg/mL of rifabutin. Pass through a filter of 0.45- $\mu$ m pore size.

**Sample solution:** Shake thoroughly by hand each bottle of Oral Suspension. Pipet 1.0 mL of Oral Suspension into a 100-mL volumetric flask. Immediately rinse the pipette with 10 mL of acetonitrile and 10 mL of *Mobile phase*. Dilute with *Mobile phase* to volume to obtain a solution with a nominal concentration of 0.2 mg/mL of rifabutin. Pass through a filter of 0.45- $\mu$ m pore size.

#### Chromatographic system

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

**Mode:** LC

**Detector:** UV 254 nm

**Column:** 4.6-mm  $\times$  15-cm; 5- $\mu$ m packing L7

**Flow rate:** 1.0 mL/min

**Injection volume:** 10  $\mu$ L

#### System suitability

**Sample:** *Standard solution*

[NOTE—The retention time for the rifabutin is about 14.0 min.]

#### Suitability requirements

**Column efficiency:** NLT 4500 theoretical plates

**Tailing factor:** NMT 3.0

**Relative standard deviation:** NMT 2.0% for replicate injections

#### Analysis

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

Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of rifabutin ( $C_{46}H_{62}N_4O_{11}$ ) in the portion of Oral Suspension 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 Rifabutin RS](#) in the *Standard solution* (mg/mL)

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

**Acceptance criteria:** 90.0%–110.0%

#### SPECIFIC TESTS

- [pH \(791\)](#): 4.5–5.5

#### ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- **PACKAGING AND STORAGE:** Package in tight, light-resistant containers. Store in a refrigerator or at controlled room temperature.
- **Beyond-Use Date:** NMT 84 days after the date on which it was compounded, when stored in a refrigerator or at controlled room temperature
- **LABELING:** Label it to indicate that it is to be well shaken before use, and to state the *Beyond-Use Date*.
- [USP Reference Standards \(11\)](#)

[USP Rifabutin RS](#)

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