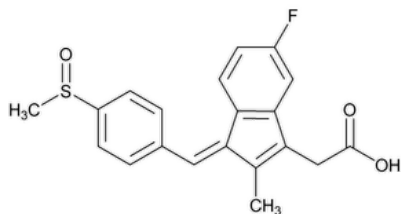


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# Sulindac



$C_{20}H_{17}FO_3S$  356.41  
1*H*-Indene-3-acetic acid, 5-fluoro-2-methyl-1-[[4-(methylsulfinyl) phenyl]methylene]-, (Z)-;  
*cis*-5-Fluoro-2-methyl-1-[(*p*-methylsulfinyl)benzylidene]indene-3-acetic acid CAS RN<sup>®</sup>: 38194-50-2; UNII: 184SNS8VUH.

**DEFINITION**  
Sulindac contains NLT 98.0% and NMT 102.0% of sulindac ( $C_{20}H_{17}FO_3S$ ), calculated on the dried basis.

**IDENTIFICATION**

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- **A.** [▲SPECTROSCOPIC IDENTIFICATION TESTS \(197\), Infrared Spectroscopy: 197M▲](#) (CN 1-MAY-2020)

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- **B.** [▲SPECTROSCOPIC IDENTIFICATION TESTS \(197\), Ultraviolet-Visible Spectroscopy: 197U▲](#) (CN 1-MAY-2020)

- Analytical wavelength:** 284 nm  
**Medium:** Hydrochloric acid in methanol (1 in 120)  
**Sample solution:** 15 µg/mL in *Medium*  
**Acceptance criteria:** Absorptivities, calculated on the dried basis, do not differ by more than 3.0%.
- **C.** The retention time of the major peak of the *Sample solution* corresponds to that of the *Standard solution*, as obtained in the Assay.

**ASSAY**

• **PROCEDURE**

- Solution A:** 0.1% Formic acid in water  
**Solution B:** 0.1% Formic acid in acetonitrile  
**Mobile phase:** See [Table 1](#).

Table 1

| Time (min) | Solution A (%) | Solution B (%) |
|------------|----------------|----------------|
| 0.0        | 70             | 30             |
| 8.0        | 70             | 30             |
| 15.0       | 10             | 90             |
| 18.0       | 10             | 90             |
| 18.1       | 70             | 30             |

| Time<br>(min) | Solution A<br>(%) | Solution B<br>(%) |
|---------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 20.0          | 70                | 30                |

**Diluent:** Acetonitrile and water (50:50)

**System suitability solution:** 0.003 mg/mL each of [USP Sulindac RS](#), [USP Sulindac Related Compound A RS](#), [USP Sulindac Related Compound B RS](#), and [USP Sulindac Related Compound C RS](#) in *Diluent*

**Standard solution:** 0.2 mg/mL of [USP Sulindac RS](#) in *Diluent*

**Sample solution:** 0.2 mg/mL of Sulindac in *Diluent*

#### Chromatographic system

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

**Mode:** LC

**Detector:** 330 nm

**Column:** 2.1-mm × 15-cm; 1.7-μm packing L1

**Column temperature:** 45°

**Flow rate:** 0.3 mL/min

**Injection volume:** 2 μL

#### System suitability

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

[NOTE—The relative retention times for sulindac related compound A, sulindac related compound B, and sulindac related compound C are 1.25, 1.34, and 1.67, respectively.]

#### Suitability requirements

**Resolution:** NLT 4.0 between sulindac and sulindac related compound A and between sulindac related compound A and sulindac related compound B, *System suitability solution*

**Tailing factor:** NMT 2.0, *Standard solution*

**Relative standard deviation:** NMT 0.73%, *Standard solution*

#### Analysis

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

Calculate the percentage of sulindac (C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>17</sub>FO<sub>3</sub>S) in the portion of Sulindac 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 Sulindac RS](#) in the *Standard solution* (mg/mL)

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

**Acceptance criteria:** 98.0%–102.0% on the dried basis

#### IMPURITIES

• [RESIDUE ON IGNITION \(281\)](#): NMT 0.1%

• [RESIDUAL SOLVENTS \(467\)](#)

**Solvent:** Dimethylsulfoxide

**Acceptance criteria:** Meets the requirements except that chloroform is NMT 500 ppm

• **ORGANIC IMPURITIES**

**Solution A, Solution B, Mobile phase, Diluent, and Chromatographic system:** Proceed as directed in the Assay.

**Standard solution:** 0.6 μg/mL of [USP Sulindac RS](#) and 3 μg/mL each of [USP Sulindac Related Compound A RS](#), [USP Sulindac Related Compound B RS](#), and [USP Sulindac Related Compound C RS](#) in *Diluent*. Sonicate for 2–5 min.

**Sample solution:** 600 μg/mL of Sulindac in *Diluent*. Sonicate for 2–5 min.

#### System suitability

**Sample:** *Standard solution*

**Suitability requirements**

**Resolution:** NLT 4.0 between sulindac and sulindac related compound A and between sulindac related compound A and sulindac related compound B

**Relative standard deviation:** NMT 2.0% for any peak

#### Analysis

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

Calculate the percentages of sulindac related compound A, sulindac related compound B, and sulindac related compound C in the portion of Sulindac taken:

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

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

$r_S$  = peak response of the corresponding related compound from the *Standard solution*

$C_S$  = concentration of the corresponding related compound in the *Standard solution* (µg/mL)

$C_U$  = concentration of Sulindac in the *Sample solution* (µg/mL)

Calculate the percentage of any individual unspecified impurity in the portion of Sulindac taken:

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

$r_U$  = peak response of any individual unspecified impurity from the *Sample solution*

$r_S$  = peak response of sulindac from the *Standard solution*

$C_S$  = concentration of [USP Sulindac RS](#) in the *Standard solution* (µg/mL)

$C_U$  = concentration of Sulindac in the *Sample solution* (µg/mL)

**Acceptance criteria:** See [Table 2](#).

**Table 2**

| Name                                     | Relative Retention Time | Acceptance Criteria, NMT (%) |
|------------------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|
| Sulindac                                 | 1.0                     | —                            |
| Sulindac related compound A <sup>a</sup> | 1.25                    | 0.5                          |
| Sulindac related compound B <sup>b</sup> | 1.34                    | 0.5                          |
| Sulindac related compound C <sup>c</sup> | 1.67                    | 0.5                          |
| Any individual unspecified impurity      | —                       | 0.10                         |
| Total impurities                         | —                       | 1.0                          |

<sup>a</sup> (E)-2-{5-Fluoro-2-methyl-1-[4-(methylsulfinyl)benzylidene]-1H-inden-3-yl}acetic acid.

<sup>b</sup> (Z)-2-{5-Fluoro-2-methyl-1-[4-(methylsulfonyl)benzylidene]-1H-inden-3-yl}acetic acid.

<sup>c</sup> (Z)-2-{5-Fluoro-2-methyl-1-[4-(methylthio)benzylidene]-1H-inden-3-yl}acetic acid.

#### SPECIFIC TESTS

##### • [Loss on Drying \(731\)](#)

**Analysis:** Dry under vacuum at 100° for 2 h.

**Acceptance criteria:** NMT 0.5%

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

• **PACKAGING AND STORAGE:** Preserve in well-closed containers.

• **USP REFERENCE STANDARDS (11).**

[USP Sulindac RS](#)

[USP Sulindac Related Compound A RS](#)

(*E*)-2-{5-Fluoro-2-methyl-1-[4-(methylsulfinyl)benzylidene]-1*H*-inden-3-yl}acetic acid.  
C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>17</sub>FO<sub>3</sub>S                      356.41

[USP Sulindac Related Compound B RS](#)

(*Z*)-2-{5-Fluoro-2-methyl-1-[4-(methylsulfonyl)benzylidene]-1*H*-inden-3-yl}acetic acid.  
C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>17</sub>FO<sub>4</sub>S                      372.41

[USP Sulindac Related Compound C RS](#)

(*Z*)-2-{5-Fluoro-2-methyl-1-[4-(methylthio)benzylidene]-1*H*-inden-3-yl}acetic acid.  
C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>17</sub>FO<sub>2</sub>S                      340.41

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