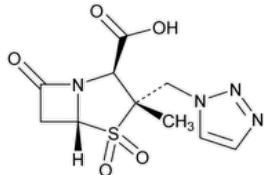


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Tazobactam



$C_{10}H_{12}N_4O_5S$ 300.29

4-Thia-1-azabicyclo[3.2.0]heptane-2-carboxylic acid, 3-methyl-7-oxo-3-(1H-1,2,3-triazol-1-ylmethyl)-, 4,4-dioxide, [2S-(2 α ,3 β ,5 α)]-; (2S,3S,5R)-3-Methyl-7-oxo-3-(1H-1,2,3-triazol-1-ylmethyl)-4-thia-1-azabicyclo[3.2.0]heptane-2-carboxylic acid, 4,4-dioxide CAS RN®: 89786-04-9; UNII: SE10G96M8W.

$C_{10}H_{12}N_4O_5S \cdot \frac{1}{2}H_2O$ 309.30 CAS RN®: 428863-55-2.

DEFINITION

Tazobactam contains NLT 98.0% and NMT 102.0% of $C_{10}H_{12}N_4O_5S$, calculated on the anhydrous basis.

IDENTIFICATION

Change to read:

- A. ▲[SPECTROSCOPIC IDENTIFICATION TESTS \(197\), Infrared Spectroscopy: 197K](#)▲ (CN 1-May-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

• PROCEDURE

Mobile phase: Dissolve 1.32 g of dibasic ammonium phosphate in 750 mL of water. Adjust with 5% v/v phosphoric acid to a pH of 2.5, and dilute with water to 1000 mL. Add 30 mL of acetonitrile, mix, and pass through a filter of 0.2- μ m pore size.

System suitability solution: 16 μ g/mL of L-phenylalanine, 50 μ g/mL of [USP Tazobactam RS](#), and 8 μ g/mL of [USP Tazobactam Related Compound A RS](#) in *Mobile phase*. Maintain the *System suitability solution* at 3° until injection. Prepare fresh daily. If an autosampler is used, replace the plastic tubing connected to the injection needle with a stainless steel assembly, and maintain at 3°. If a chilled autosampler is not used, then this solution should be injected immediately after preparation.

Standard solution: 0.5 mg/mL of [USP Tazobactam RS](#) in *Mobile phase*. Cool, and maintain the *Standard solution* at 3° until injection. If an autosampler is used, replace the plastic tubing connected to the injection needle with a stainless steel assembly, and maintain at 3°. If a chilled autosampler is not used, then this solution should be injected immediately after preparation.

Sample solution: 0.5 mg/mL of Tazobactam in *Mobile phase*. Cool, and maintain the *Sample solution* at 3° until injection. If an autosampler is used, replace the plastic tubing connected to the injection needle with a stainless steel assembly, and maintain at 3°. If a chilled autosampler is not used, then this solution should be injected immediately after preparation.

Chromatographic system

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

Mode: LC

Detector: UV 210 nm

Column: 4.6-mm \times 25-cm; 5- μ m packing L1

Flow rate: 1.5 mL/min

Injection size: 20 μ L

System suitability

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

[NOTE—See [Table 1](#) for the relative retention times.]

Suitability requirements

Resolution: NLT 6.0 between tazobactam and L-phenylalanine, System suitability solution**Tailing factor:** NMT 1.8, Standard solution**Relative standard deviation:** NMT 2.0%, Standard solution**Analysis****Samples:** Standard solution and Sample solutionCalculate the percentage of tazobactam ($C_{10}H_{12}N_4O_5S$) in the portion of Tazobactam 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 Tazobactam RS](#) in the Standard solution (mg/mL) C_U = concentration of the Sample solution (mg/mL)**Acceptance criteria:** 98.0%–102.0% on the anhydrous basis**IMPURITIES**• [RESIDUE ON IGNITION \(281\)](#): NMT 0.1%• **ORGANIC IMPURITIES****Mobile phase, System suitability solution, Chromatographic system, and System suitability:** Proceed as directed in the Assay.**Blank:** Mobile phase. Cool, and maintain the Blank at 3° until injection. If an autosampler is used, replace the plastic tubing connected to the injection needle with a stainless steel assembly, and maintain at 3°. If a chilled autosampler is not used, then this solution should be injected immediately after preparation.**Sample solution:** Prepare as directed in the Assay. Cool, and maintain the Sample solution at 3° until injection. If an autosampler is used, replace the plastic tubing connected to the injection needle with a stainless steel assembly, and maintain at 3°. If a chilled autosampler is not used, then this solution should be injected immediately after preparation.**Analysis****Samples:** Blank and Sample solution

Ignore any peaks of the Sample solution that correspond to any peaks of the Blank.

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

$$\text{Result} = (r_U/r_T) \times 100$$

 r_U = peak response for each impurity in the Sample solution r_T = sum of all the peak responses in the Sample solution**Acceptance criteria:** See [Table 1](#).**Table 1**

Name	Relative Retention Time	Acceptance Criteria, NMT (%)
Tazobactam related compound A	0.29	1.0
L-Phenylalanine	0.71	—
Tazobactam	1.0	—
Any other individual impurity	—	0.1
Total impurities ^a	—	0.3

^a Total of all impurities other than tazobactam related compound A.

SPECIFIC TESTS

- **BACTERIAL ENDOTOXINS TEST (85)**: The level of bacterial endotoxins is such that the requirements of the relevant dosage form monograph(s) in which Tazobactam is used can be met.
- **OPTICAL ROTATION, Specific Rotation(781S)**
Sample solution: 10 mg/mL, in dimethylformamide
Acceptance criteria: +160° to +167° (t = 20°)
- **MICROBIAL ENUMERATION TESTS (61)** and **TESTS FOR SPECIFIED MICROORGANISMS (62)**: The total aerobic microbial count does not exceed 10³ cfu/g, and the total combined molds and yeasts count does not exceed 10² cfu/g.
- **pH (791)**
Sample solution: 2.5 mg/mL
Acceptance criteria: 1.8–2.8
- **WATER DETERMINATION, Method I(921)**: NMT 0.6% for the anhydrous form; 2.2–3.8% for the hemihydrate form

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- **PACKAGING AND STORAGE:** Preserve in well-closed containers. Store at controlled room temperature.
- **LABELING:** Where it is the hemihydrate form, the label so indicates.

- **USP REFERENCE STANDARDS (11)**

[USP Tazobactam RS](#)

[USP Tazobactam Related Compound A RS](#)

(2S,3S)-2-Amino-3-methyl-3-sulfino-4-(1*H*-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)butyric acid.

C₇H₁₂N₄O₄S 248.26

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