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Testosterone Enanthate Injection

» Testosterone Enanthate Injection is a sterile solution of Testosterone Enanthate in a suitable vegetable oil. It contains not less than 90.0 percent and not more than 110.0 percent of the labeled amount of $C_{26}H_{40}O_3$.

Packaging and storage—Preserve in single-dose or multiple-dose containers, preferably of Type I glass.

USP REFERENCE STANDARDS (11)

USP Testosterone Enanthate RS

Identification—Dilute a suitable volume of Injection with chloroform to obtain a solution having a concentration of about 400 μ g of testosterone enanthate per mL. Proceed as directed in the *Identification* test under Testosterone Cypionate Injection, beginning with “Prepare a 20- \times 20-cm thin-layer chromatographic plate,” but using USP Testosterone Enanthate RS. The R_F value of the principal spot obtained from the solution under test corresponds to that obtained from the Reference Standard solution.

Other requirements—It meets the requirements under Injections and Implanted Drug Products (1).

Assay

Chromatographic solvent—Equilibrate, by shaking in a separator, 95 mL of alcohol, 5 mL of water, and 50 mL of chromatographic *n*-heptane. Allow the layers to separate.

Isoniazid reagent—Dissolve 375 mg of isoniazid and 0.47 mL of hydrochloric acid in 500 mL of methanol.

Standard preparation—Dissolve a suitable quantity of USP Testosterone Enanthate RS, accurately weighed, in methanol, and dilute quantitatively and stepwise with methanol to obtain a solution having a known concentration of about 40 μ g per mL.

Assay preparation—Transfer to a 10-mL volumetric flask an accurately measured volume of Injection, equivalent to about 100 mg of testosterone enanthate, add chromatographic *n*-heptane to volume, and mix. Pipet 5 mL of this solution into a 100-mL volumetric flask, add chromatographic *n*-heptane to volume, and mix.

Procedure—Mix in a beaker 3 g of silanized chromatographic siliceous earth and 3 mL of the upper layer of the *Chromatographic solvent*. Pack the mixture into a 250- \times 25-mm chromatographic tube that contains a small pledge of glass wool above the stem constriction. Mix in a beaker 3 g of silanized chromatographic siliceous earth and 2.0 mL of *Assay preparation*, transfer the mixture to the tube, and pack. Dry-wash the beaker with 1 g of silanized chromatographic siliceous earth, and transfer to the tube. Place a small pad of glass wool above the column packing. Pass 35 mL of the lower layer of the *Chromatographic solvent* through the column, and collect the eluate in a 50-mL volumetric flask. Add alcohol to volume, and mix. Pipet 10 mL of the resulting solution into a glass-stoppered, 50-mL conical flask, and evaporate on a water bath to dryness. Pipet 5 mL of methanol into the flask, and swirl to dissolve the residue. Pipet 5 mL of *Standard preparation* into a similar flask. To each flask add 10.0 mL of *Isoniazid reagent*, mix, and allow to stand for about 45 minutes. Concomitantly determine the absorbances of both solutions at the wavelength of maximum absorbance at about 380 nm, with a suitable spectrophotometer, using as a blank 5 mL of methanol that has been treated similarly with *Isoniazid reagent*. Calculate the quantity, in mg, of $C_{26}H_{40}O_3$ in each mL of the Injection taken by the formula:

$$2.5(C/V)(A_U/A_S)$$

in which C is the concentration, in μ g per mL, of USP Testosterone Enanthate RS in the *Standard preparation*; V is the volume, in mL, of Injection taken; and A_U and A_S are the absorbances of the solutions from the *Assay preparation* and the *Standard preparation*, respectively.

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