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Tetracycline Hydrochloride and Novobiocin Sodium Tablets

» Tetracycline Hydrochloride and Novobiocin Sodium Tablets contain the equivalent of not less than 90.0 percent and not more than 125.0 percent of the labeled amounts of tetracycline hydrochloride ($C_{22}H_{24}N_2O_8 \cdot HCl$) and novobiocin ($C_{31}H_{36}N_2O_{11}$).

Packaging and storage—Preserve in tight containers.

Labeling—Label the Tablets to indicate that they are intended for veterinary use only.

USP REFERENCE STANDARDS (11)—

[USP Tetracycline Hydrochloride RS](#)

[USP Novobiocin RS](#)

Identification—Shake a suitable quantity of finely powdered Tablets with methanol to obtain a solution containing 1 mg of tetracycline hydrochloride per mL, and filter. Using the filtrate as the *Test Solution*, proceed as directed under [Identification—Tetracyclines \(193\)](#).

DISINTEGRATION (701): 60 minutes, simulated gastric fluid TS being substituted for water in the test.

UNIFORMITY OF DOSAGE UNITS (905): meet the requirements for *Weight Variation* with respect to tetracycline hydrochloride and to novobiocin sodium.

LOSS ON DRYING (731)—Dry about 100 mg, accurately weighed, of finely powdered Tablets in a capillary-stoppered bottle in vacuum at a pressure not exceeding 5 mm of mercury at 60° for 3 hours: it loses not more than 6.0% of its weight.

LIMIT OF 4-EPIANHYDROTETRACYCLINE (226)—To an accurately weighed quantity of finely powdered Tablets, equivalent to about 250 mg of tetracycline hydrochloride, add 10 mL of 0.1 N hydrochloric acid, and adjust with 6 N ammonium hydroxide to a pH of 7.8. Transfer this solution with the aid of *EDTA Buffer* to a 50-mL volumetric flask, dilute with *EDTA Buffer* to volume, and mix. Use this solution, without delay, as the *Test Solution*: not more than 2.0% is found.

Assay for tetracycline hydrochloride—Proceed as directed for tetracycline under [Antibiotics—Microbial Assays \(81\)](#), except to use *Escherichia coli* ATCC 10536 as the test organism instead of *Staphylococcus aureus* ATCC 29737 and an inoculum composition of about 0.2 mL of stock suspension in each 100 mL of *Medium 3*. Transfer not less than 5 Tablets to a high-speed blender jar containing an accurately measured volume of 0.1 N hydrochloric acid, so that, after blending for about 3 to 5 minutes, the solution so obtained contains not less than 150 µg of tetracycline hydrochloride per mL. Dilute an accurately measured volume of this solution quantitatively and stepwise with water to obtain a *Test Dilution* having a concentration of tetracycline hydrochloride assumed to be equal to the median dose level of the Standard.

Assay for novobiocin—Proceed as directed for novobiocin under [Antibiotics—Microbial Assays \(81\)](#), blending not less than 5 Tablets for 3 to 5 minutes in a high-speed glass blender jar containing 1.0 mL of polysorbate 80 and a sufficient accurately measured volume of *Buffer B.3* to provide a stock solution of convenient concentration. Dilute an accurately measured volume of this stock solution quantitatively and stepwise with *Buffer B.6* to obtain a *Test Dilution* having a concentration of novobiocin assumed to be equal to the median dose level of the Standard.

Auxiliary Information - Please [check for your question in the FAQs](#) before contacting USP.

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