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# Thiamine Hydrochloride Tablets

## DEFINITION

Thiamine Hydrochloride Tablets contain NLT 90.0% and NMT 110.0% of the labeled amount of thiamine hydrochloride ( $C_{12}H_{17}ClN_4OS \cdot HCl$ ).

## IDENTIFICATION

### • A.

**Sample solution:** Triturate a quantity of powdered Tablets, equivalent to 10 mg of thiamine hydrochloride, with 10 mL of 0.5 N [sodium hydroxide](#), and filter.

**Analysis:** To 5 mL of the *Sample solution* add 0.5 mL of [potassium ferricyanide TS](#) and 5 mL of [isobutyl alcohol](#), shake the mixture vigorously for 2 min, and allow the liquid layers to separate. Illuminate from above by a vertical beam of UV light, and observe the air–liquid meniscus at a right angle to this beam.

**Acceptance criteria:** The air–liquid meniscus shows a vivid blue fluorescence, which disappears when the mixture is slightly acidified, but reappears when it is again made alkaline.

### • B.

**Sample solution:** Triturate a quantity of powdered Tablets, equivalent to 10 mg of thiamine hydrochloride, with 10 mL of water, and filter.

**Analysis 1:** To 2 mL of the *Sample solution* add [iodine TS](#).

**Acceptance criteria 1:** A red-brown precipitate is formed.

**Analysis 2:** To 2 mL of the *Sample solution* add [mercuric chloride TS](#).

**Acceptance criteria 2:** A white precipitate is formed.

**Analysis 3:** [Identification Tests—General \(191\), Chloride](#)

**Acceptance criteria 3:** Meet the requirements

### • C.

**Sample solution:** Use the remainder of the *Sample solution* from *Identification B*.

**Analysis:** Add 1 mL of lead acetate TS and 1 mL of 2.5 N sodium hydroxide.

**Acceptance criteria:** A yellow color is produced. Heat the mixture for several minutes on a steam bath: the color changes to brown, and, on standing, a precipitate of lead sulfide separates.

## ASSAY

### • [THIAMINE ASSAY \(531\), Chemical Methods, Procedure 1](#)

**Sample solution:** Place NLT 20 Tablets in a flask of suitable size, half fill the flask with 0.2 N [hydrochloric acid](#), and heat on a steam bath, with frequent agitation, until the Tablets have dissolved or have disintegrated so that a uniform dispersion is obtained. Cool, transfer the contents of the flask to a volumetric flask, and dilute with 0.2 N [hydrochloric acid](#) to volume. If the mixture is not clear, either centrifuge it or filter it through paper known not to adsorb thiamine. Dilute a portion of the clear solution with 0.2 N [hydrochloric acid](#) to obtain a 0.2-µg/mL solution of thiamine hydrochloride.

**Analysis:** Proceed as directed in the chapter.

**Acceptance criteria:** 90.0%–110.0%

## PERFORMANCE TESTS

### • [DISSOLUTION \(711\), Procedure, Apparatus 1 and 2, Immediate-Release Dosage Forms, Procedure for a pooled sample for immediate-release dosage forms](#)

**Medium:** Water; 900 mL

**Apparatus 2:** 50 rpm

**Time:** 45 min

**Standard solution:** A known concentration of [USP Thiamine Hydrochloride RS](#) in *Medium*

**Sample solution:** Filtered portion of the solution under test, suitably diluted with the *Medium* if necessary

**Mobile phase:** A mixture of methanol, [glacial acetic acid](#), and water (27:1:73) containing 1.40 mg/mL of [sodium 1-hexanesulfonate](#)  
**Chromatographic system**

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

- Mode:** LC
- Detector:** UV 280 nm
- Column:** 3.9-mm × 30-cm; packing L1
- Flow rate:** 1 mL/min
- Injection volume:** 10 µL

**System suitability**

**Sample:** *Standard solution*

**Suitability requirements**

**Relative standard deviation:** NMT 3.0%

**Analysis**

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

Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of thiamine hydrochloride ( $C_{12}H_{17}ClN_4OS \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved:

$$\text{Result} = (r_U/r_S) \times (C_S \times D \times V/L) \times 100$$

$r_U$  = peak area of thiamine from the *Sample solution*

$r_S$  = peak area of thiamine from the *Standard solution*

$C_S$  = concentration of [USP Thiamine Hydrochloride RS](#) in the *Standard solution* (mg/mL)

$D$  = dilution factor for the *Sample solution*

$V$  = volume of *Medium*, 900 mL

$L$  = labeled claim of thiamine hydrochloride (mg/Tablet)

**Tolerances:** NLT 75% ( $Q$ ) of the labeled amount of thiamine hydrochloride ( $C_{12}H_{17}ClN_4OS \cdot HCl$ ) is dissolved.

- [UNIFORMITY OF DOSAGE UNITS \(905\)](#): Meet the requirements

**ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS**

- **PACKAGING AND STORAGE:** Preserve in tight, light-resistant containers.
- [USP REFERENCE STANDARDS \(11\)](#).  
[USP Thiamine Hydrochloride RS](#)

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