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## Ticarcillin for Injection

### DEFINITION

Ticarcillin for Injection contains an amount of Ticarcillin Disodium equivalent to NLT 90.0% and NMT 115.0% of the labeled amount of ticarcillin ( $C_{15}H_{16}N_2O_6S_2$ ).

### ASSAY

#### • PROCEDURE

**Buffer A:** 13.8 g/L of monobasic sodium phosphate in water adjusted with phosphoric acid or 10 N sodium hydroxide to a pH of  $4.3 \pm 0.1$  before final dilution

**Buffer B:** 6.9 g/L of monobasic sodium phosphate adjusted with 10 N sodium hydroxide to a pH of  $6.4 \pm 0.1$  before final dilution

**Mobile phase:** Acetonitrile and *Buffer A* (5:95)

**System suitability stock solution:** 0.15 mg/mL of clavulanic acid from [USP Clavulanate Lithium RS](#) in *Buffer B*

**System suitability solution:** 30  $\mu$ g/mL of clavulanic acid from *System suitability stock solution* and 1 mg/mL of [USP Ticarcillin Monosodium Monohydrate RS](#) in *Buffer B*. Use this solution on the day prepared.

**Standard solution:** 1 mg/mL of [USP Ticarcillin Monosodium Monohydrate RS](#) in *Buffer B*

**Sample solution 1** (where the article is represented as being in a single-dose container): Nominally 0.9 mg/mL of ticarcillin prepared as follows. Constitute Ticarcillin for Injection as directed in the labeling. Withdraw all of the withdrawable contents, and dilute with *Buffer B*.

**Sample solution 2** (where the label states the quantity of ticarcillin in a given volume of constituted solution): Nominally 0.9 mg/mL of ticarcillin prepared as follows. Constitute Ticarcillin for Injection as directed in the labeling. Dilute a suitable aliquot of the constituted solution with *Buffer B*.

### Chromatographic system

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

**Mode:** LC

**Detector:** UV 220 nm

**Column:** 4-mm  $\times$  30-cm; 3- to 10- $\mu$ m packing L1

**Flow rate:** 2 mL/min

**Injection volume:** 20  $\mu$ L

### System suitability

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

[NOTE—The relative retention times for clavulanic acid and ticarcillin are 0.2 and 1.0, respectively.]

### Suitability requirements

**Resolution:** NLT 5.0 between clavulanic acid and ticarcillin, *System suitability solution*

**Column efficiency:** NLT 1000 theoretical plates, *Standard solution*

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

**Relative standard deviation:** NMT 2.0%, *Standard solution*

### Analysis

**Samples:** *Standard solution* and *Sample solution 1* or *Sample solution 2*

Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of ticarcillin ( $C_{15}H_{16}N_2O_6S_2$ ) in the portion of Ticarcillin for Injection taken:

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

$r_U$  = peak response of ticarcillin from *Sample solution 1* or *Sample solution 2*

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

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

$C_U$  = nominal concentration of ticarcillin in *Sample solution 1* or *Sample solution 2* (mg/mL)

$P$  = potency of ticarcillin in [USP Ticarcillin Monosodium Monohydrate RS](#) (μg/mg)

$F$  = conversion factor, 0.001 mg/μg

**Acceptance criteria:** 90.0%–115.0%

## PERFORMANCE TESTS

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

## IMPURITIES

- [DIMETHYLANILINE \(223\)](#): Meets the requirements

## SPECIFIC TESTS

- [CONTENT OF TICARCILLIN](#)

This test is to be performed on Ticarcillin for Injection that contains no added substances.

**Solution A:** 0.1 N methanolic hydrochloric acid prepared by diluting 4 mL of hydrochloric acid with methanol to 500 mL

**Standard stock solution:** 0.4 mg/mL of [USP Ticarcillin Monosodium Monohydrate RS](#) in water

**Standard solution:** 20 μg/mL of [USP Ticarcillin Monosodium Monohydrate RS](#) from *Standard stock solution* in *Solution A*

**Sample stock solution:** 0.4 mg/mL of ticarcillin from Ticarcillin for Injection in water

**Sample solution:** 20 μg/mL of ticarcillin from *Sample stock solution* in *Solution A*

**Blank:** Dilute 5.0 mL of water with *Solution A* to 100 mL.

### Instrumental conditions

**Analytical wavelength:** 230 nm

**Cell:** 1 cm

### Analysis

**Samples:** *Standard solution*, *Sample solution*, and *Blank*

Calculate the percentage of ticarcillin ( $C_{15}H_{16}N_2O_6S_2$ ) in the portion of Ticarcillin for Injection taken:

$$\text{Result} = (A_U/A_S) \times (C_S/C_U) \times P \times 100$$

$A_U$  = absorbance of the *Sample solution*

$A_S$  = absorbance of the *Standard solution*

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

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

$P$  = potency of ticarcillin in [USP Ticarcillin Monosodium Monohydrate RS](#) (μg/mg)

**Acceptance criteria:** 80.0%–94.0% on the anhydrous basis

- [BACTERIAL ENDOTOXINS TEST \(85\)](#): It contains NMT 0.05 USP Endotoxin Unit/mg of ticarcillin.
- [STERILITY TESTS \(71\)](#): It meets the requirements when tested as directed in [Test for Sterility of the Product to Be Examined, Membrane Filtration](#).
- [pH \(791\)](#).

**Sample solution:** Constitute as directed in the labeling.

**Acceptance criteria:** 6.0–8.0

- [LABELING \(7\), Labels and Labeling for Injectable Products](#): Meets the requirements
- [WATER DETERMINATION, Method I \(921\)](#): NMT 6.0%
- [OPTICAL ROTATION, Specific Rotation \(781S\)](#).

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**Sample solution:** 10 mg/mL of Ticarcillin for Injection in water

**Acceptance criteria:** +172° to +187°

- [PARTICULATE MATTER IN INJECTIONS \(788\)](#): Meets the requirements for small-volume injections
- [CONSTITUTED SOLUTION](#): At the time of use, it meets the requirements in [Injections and Implanted Drug Products \(1\), Specific Tests, Completeness and clarity of solutions](#).
- [OTHER REQUIREMENTS](#): It meets the requirements of the *Identification* tests in [Ticarcillin Disodium](#). It meets the requirements in [Labeling \(7\), Labels and Labeling for Injectable Products](#).

**ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS**

- **PACKAGING AND STORAGE:** Preserve as described in [Packaging and Storage Requirements \(659\), Injection Packaging, Packaging for constitution](#).
- **USP REFERENCE STANDARDS (11):**  
[USP Clavulanate Lithium RS](#)  
[USP Ticarcillin Monosodium Monohydrate RS](#)

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