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## Tolnaftate Gel

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### DEFINITION

Tolnaftate Gel contains NLT 90.0% and NMT 110.0% of the labeled amount of tolnaftate ( $C_{19}H_{17}$  NOS).

### IDENTIFICATION

- A.

**Standard solution:** 1 mg/mL of [USP Tolnaftate RS](#) in [alcohol](#)

**Sample stock solution:** Use the *Sample stock solution* prepared in the *Assay*.

**Sample solution:** Nominally 1 mg/mL of tolnaftate prepared as follows: Evaporate 10 mL of the *Sample stock solution* on a steam bath just to dryness, and dissolve the residue in 1 mL of [alcohol](#).

**Chromatographic system**

(See [Chromatography \(621\), General Procedures, Thin-Layer Chromatography](#).)

**Mode:** TLC

**Absorbent:** 0.25-mm layer of chromatographic silica gel mixture

**Developing solvent system:** [Toluene](#)

**Application volume:** 10  $\mu$ L

**Analysis**

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

Proceed as directed in the chapter. Allow the spots to dry and develop the chromatogram in the *Developing solvent system* until the solvent front has moved about three-fourths of the length of the plate. Remove the plate from the developing chamber and view under short-wavelength UV light.

**Acceptance criteria:** The  $R_F$  value of the principal spot from the *Sample solution* corresponds to that from the *Standard solution*.

### ASSAY

- **PROCEDURE**

**Standard solution:** 10  $\mu$ g/mL of [USP Tolnaftate RS](#) in [chloroform](#)

**Sample stock solution:** Nominally 0.1 mg/mL of tolnaftate prepared as follows. Transfer a portion of Gel, equivalent to 10 mg of tolnaftate, into a 250-mL separator containing 75 mL of [chloroform](#). Wash the chloroform solution successively with two 25-mL portions of [0.1 N sodium hydroxide VS](#), two 25-mL portions of [0.1 N hydrochloric acid VS](#), and 25 mL of [water](#). Transfer the chloroform layer to a 100-mL volumetric flask, and dilute with [chloroform](#) to volume. [NOTE—Reserve a 10-mL portion of this solution for *Identification A*.]

**Sample solution:** Nominally 10  $\mu$ g/mL of tolnaftate in [chloroform](#) from the *Sample stock solution*

**Instrumental conditions**

**Mode:** UV

**Analytical wavelength:** 258 nm

**Cell:** 1 cm

**Blank:** [Chloroform](#)

**Analysis**

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

Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of tolnaftate ( $C_{19}H_{17}$  NOS) in the portion of Gel taken:

$$\text{Result} = (A_u/A_s) \times (C_s/C_u) \times 100$$

$A_u$  = absorbance of the *Sample solution*

$A_S$  = absorbance of the *Standard solution* $C_S$  = concentration of [USP Tolnaftate RS](#) in the *Standard solution* ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$ ) $C_U$  = nominal concentration of tolnaftate in the *Sample solution* ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$ )**Acceptance criteria:** 90.0%–110.0%**PERFORMANCE TESTS**

- [MINIMUM FILL \(755\)](#): Meets the requirements

**ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS**

- **PACKAGING AND STORAGE:** Preserve in tight containers.
- [USP REFERENCE STANDARDS \(11\)](#)  
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