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## Triamcinolone Hexacetonide Injectable Suspension

### DEFINITION

Triamcinolone Hexacetonide Injectable Suspension is a sterile suspension of Triamcinolone Hexacetonide in a suitable aqueous medium. It contains NLT 90.0% and NMT 115.0% of the labeled amount of triamcinolone hexacetonide ( $C_{30}H_{41}FO_7$ ).

### IDENTIFICATION

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- ▲ [SPECTROSCOPIC IDENTIFICATION TESTS \(197\), Infrared Spectroscopy: 197K](#) ▲ (CN 1-MAY-2020)

**Sample:** Place a volume of Injectable Suspension, equivalent to 25 mg of triamcinolone hexacetonide, and 2 mL of water in a membrane filter of 0.20- $\mu$ m pore size. Apply vacuum to the filter, wash the residue with two 5-mL portions of water, and air-dry the filter and the precipitate. Place the dried filter and precipitate in a small beaker with 5 mL of alcohol, and dissolve the precipitate. Decant the alcohol solution into a small beaker and evaporate with the aid of low heat and a current of air to dryness.

**Acceptance criteria:** Meets the requirements

### ASSAY

#### • PROCEDURE

**Mobile phase:** Methanol and water (3:1)

**System suitability solution:** 0.3 mg/mL of amcinonide and 0.4 mg/mL of [USP Triamcinolone Hexacetonide RS](#) in methanol

**Standard solution:** 0.4 mg/mL of [USP Triamcinolone Hexacetonide RS](#) in methanol

**Sample solution:** Using a "to contain" pipet, transfer a volume of Injectable Suspension, equivalent to 40 mg of triamcinolone hexacetonide, to a 100-mL volumetric flask. Rinse the pipet with methanol, collecting the rinse in the volumetric flask. Dilute with methanol to volume.

#### Chromatographic system

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

**Mode:** LC

**Detector:** UV 254 nm

**Column:** 4.6-mm  $\times$  25-cm; packing L1

**Flow rate:** 1.4 mL/min

**Injection size:** 10  $\mu$ L

#### System suitability

**Sample:** System suitability solution

[NOTE—The relative retention times for amcinonide and triamcinolone hexacetonide are about 0.50 and 1.0, respectively.]

#### Suitability requirements

**Resolution:** NLT 10 between amcinonide and triamcinolone hexacetonide

**Tailing factor:** NMT 1.2 for triamcinolone hexacetonide

**Relative standard deviation:** NMT 2.0%

#### Analysis

**Samples:** Standard solution and Sample solution

Calculate the percentage of  $C_{30}H_{41}FO_7$  in the portion of Injectable Suspension taken:

$$\text{Result} = (r_u/r_s) \times (C_s/C_u) \times 100$$

$r_u$  = peak response of triamcinolone hexacetonide from the Sample solution

$r_s$  = peak response of triamcinolone hexacetonide from the Standard solution

$C_s$  = concentration of [USP Triamcinolone Hexacetonide RS](#) in the Standard solution (mg/mL)

$C_U$  = nominal concentration of triamcinolone hexacetonide in the *Sample solution* (mg/mL)

**Acceptance criteria:** 90.0%–115.0%

## PERFORMANCE TESTS

- **UNIFORMITY OF DOSAGE UNITS (905):** Meets the requirements

## IMPURITIES

### ORGANIC IMPURITIES

- **PROCEDURE: LIMIT OF TRIAMCINOLONE ACETONIDE**

**Mobile phase, Sample solution, and Chromatographic system:** Proceed as directed in the Assay.

**System suitability solution:** 0.4 mg/mL each of [USP Triamcinolone Acetonide RS](#) and [USP Triamcinolone Hexacetonide RS](#) in methanol

**Standard solution:** 0.004 mg/mL of [USP Triamcinolone Acetonide RS](#) in methanol

#### System suitability

**Sample:** System suitability solution

#### Suitability requirements

**Resolution:** NLT 7.5 between triamcinolone acetonide and triamcinolone hexacetonide

**Tailing factor:** NMT 1.2 for triamcinolone hexacetonide

**Relative standard deviation:** NMT 2.0%

#### Analysis

**Samples:** Standard solution and Sample solution

Calculate the percentage of triamcinolone acetonide in the portion of Injectable Suspension taken:

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

$r_U$  = peak response of triamcinolone acetonide from the *Sample solution*

$r_S$  = peak response of triamcinolone acetonide from the *Standard solution*

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

$C_U$  = nominal concentration of triamcinolone hexacetonide in the *Sample solution* (mg/mL)

**Acceptance criteria:** NMT 1.0%

## SPECIFIC TESTS

- **BACTERIAL ENDOTOXINS TEST (85):** It contains NMT 17.2 USP Endotoxin Units/mg of triamcinolone hexacetonide.
- **pH (791):** 4.0–8.0
- **INJECTIONS AND IMPLANTED DRUG PRODUCTS (1):** Meets the requirements

## ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- **PACKAGING AND STORAGE:** Preserve in single-dose or multiple-dose containers, preferably of Type I glass. Store at controlled room temperature. Do not freeze.

- **USP REFERENCE STANDARDS (11).**

[USP Triamcinolone Acetonide RS](#)

[USP Triamcinolone Hexacetonide RS](#)

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