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Urea Compounded Irrigation

DEFINITION

Urea Compounded Irrigation contains NLT 90.0% and NMT 110.0% of the labeled amount of urea (CH₄N₂O).
Prepare Urea Compounded Irrigation 200 mg/mL (20%) as follows (see [Pharmaceutical Compounding—Sterile Preparations \(797\)](#)).

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| Urea | 10 g |
| Sodium Chloride Irrigation (0.9%), a sufficient quantity to make | 50 mL |

Dissolve the *Urea* in *Sodium Chloride Irrigation*. Pass through a sterilizing filter of 0.22-µm pore size into a sterile single-dose plastic bottle. [NOTE—Sterilize through filtration. Urea is not heat stable.]

ASSAY

PROCEDURE

Mobile phase: Water
Standard solution: 0.5 mg/mL of USP Urea RS in water
Sample solution: Transfer 0.25 mL of Irrigation into a 100-mL volumetric flask, and add water to volume.
Chromatographic system
(See [Chromatography \(621\)](#), [System Suitability](#).)
Mode: LC
Detector: UV 192 nm
Column: 4.6-mm × 25-cm; 5-µm packing [L96](#)
Temperatures
Autosampler: 4°
Column: 25°
Flow rate: 1.0 mL/min
Injection volume: 8 µL
System suitability
Sample: *Standard solution*
[NOTE—The retention time for urea is about 3.3 min.]
Suitability requirements
Tailing factor: NMT 2.0
Relative standard deviation: NMT 2.0% for replicate injections

Analysis

Samples: *Standard solution* and *Sample solution*
Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of urea (CH₄N₂O) in the portion of Irrigation taken:

Result = (r_U/r_S) × (C_S/C_U) × 100

- r_U = peak response of urea from the *Sample solution*
- r_S = peak response of urea from the *Standard solution*
- C_S = concentration of USP Urea RS in the *Standard solution* (mg/mL)
- C_U = nominal concentration of urea in the *Sample solution* (mg/mL)

Acceptance criteria: 90.0%–110.0%

SPECIFIC TESTS

- [pH \(791\)](#): 6.5–9.0
- [STERILITY TESTS \(71\)](#), [Test for Sterility of the Product to Be Examined, Membrane Filtration](#): It meets the requirements.
- [BACTERIAL ENDOTOXINS TEST \(85\)](#): NMT 0.003 USP Endotoxin Units/mg

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- **PACKAGING AND STORAGE:** Package in sterile, single-dose plastic bottles. Store at controlled room temperature or in a refrigerator.

Change to read:

- **BEYOND-USE DATE:** ▲ In the absence of performing and completing a sterility and endotoxin test, the storage conditions in [Pharmaceutical Compounding – Sterile Preparations \(797\)](#), [14.3 Establishing a BUD for a CSP](#) apply. ▲ (CN 1-Nov-2023) When sterility and endotoxin results are within acceptable limits, NMT 60 days after the date on which it was compounded when stored at controlled room temperature or in a refrigerator.
- **LABELING:** Label it to state the *Beyond-Use Date*.
- [USP REFERENCE STANDARDS \(11\)](#).
[USP Urea RS](#)

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

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