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## Vigabatrin for Oral Solution

### DEFINITION

Vigabatrin for Oral Solution contains NLT 95.0% and NMT 105.0% of the labeled amount of vigabatrin ( $C_6H_{11}NO_2$ ).

### IDENTIFICATION

*Change to read:*

- A. **SPECTROSCOPIC IDENTIFICATION TESTS (197), Infrared Spectroscopy: 197K** ▲ (CN 1-May-2020)

**Sample:** Combine an appropriate number of Vigabatrin for Oral Solution packets to prepare a 50 mg/mL solution of vigabatrin in water. Pass a portion through a suitable filter, and prepare a 2-mg/mL solution by mixing a suitable portion of the filtrate with acetone. Evaporate the solution to dryness in a stream of nitrogen. Prepare a potassium bromide (KBr) pellet using a suitable amount of the residue.

Alternatively, the *Sample* may be prepared by directly mixing an amount of the contents of NLT 2 packets of Vigabatrin for Oral Solution equivalent to about 3 mg of vigabatrin with about 200 mg of potassium bromide.

**Acceptance criteria:** The spectrum of the *Sample* corresponds to that of the spectrum of [USP Vigabatrin RS](#) prepared in a similar manner.

- B. The retention time of the major peak of the *Sample solution* corresponds to that of the *Standard solution*, as obtained in the Assay.

### ASSAY

#### • PROCEDURE

**Buffer:** 3.4 g/L of monobasic potassium phosphate in water

**Mobile phase:** Acetonitrile, methanol, and *Buffer* (4:40:1000). Adjust with phosphoric acid to a pH of 2.8.

**System suitability solution:** 2 mg/mL of [USP Vigabatrin RS](#) and 12 µg/mL of [USP Vigabatrin Related Compound A RS](#) in *Mobile phase*

**Standard solution:** 2.0 mg/mL of [USP Vigabatrin RS](#) in *Mobile phase*

**Sample solution:** Nominally 2.0 mg/mL of vigabatrin from the contents of NLT 10 Vigabatrin for Oral Solution packets prepared as follows.

Combine the contents from the packets, and transfer a suitable amount of the powder equivalent to NLT 200 mg of vigabatrin to a suitable volumetric flask. Dilute with *Mobile phase* to volume.

#### Chromatographic system

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

**Mode:** LC

**Detector:** UV 210 nm

**Column:** 4.6-mm × 25-cm; 10-µm packing L9

**Flow rate:** 1.5 mL/min

**Injection volume:** 20 µL

#### System suitability

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

[**NOTE**—The relative retention times for vigabatrin related compound A and vigabatrin are about 0.7 and 1.0, respectively.]

#### Suitability requirements

**Resolution:** NLT 1.5 between vigabatrin related compound A and vigabatrin peaks, *System suitability solution*

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

**Relative standard deviation:** NMT 1.0%, *Standard solution*

#### Analysis

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

Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of vigabatrin ( $C_6H_{11}NO_2$ ) in the portion of Vigabatrin for Oral Solution taken:

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

$r_U$  = peak response of vigabatrin from the *Sample solution*

$r_s$  = peak response of vigabatrin from the *Standard solution*

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

$C_u$  = nominal concentration of vigabatrin in the *Sample solution* (mg/mL)

**Acceptance criteria:** 95.0%–105.0%

## PERFORMANCE TESTS

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

## IMPURITIES

- **ORGANIC IMPURITIES**

**Buffer:** 1.5 g/L of ammonium acetate in water

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

**System suitability solution:** 0.1 mg/mL each of [USP Vigabatrin RS](#), [USP Vigabatrin Related Compound A RS](#), [USP Vigabatrin Related Compound B RS](#), and [USP Povidone RS](#) in *Mobile phase*

**Sensitivity solution:** 0.01 mg/mL of [USP Vigabatrin Related Compound A RS](#) in *Mobile phase*

**Standard solution:** 0.07 mg/mL of [USP Vigabatrin Related Compound A RS](#) in *Mobile phase*

**Sample solution:** Nominally 22 mg/mL of vigabatrin prepared as follows. Transfer a suitable amount of powder from the combined contents of NLT 10 Vigabatrin for Oral Solution packets, equivalent to NLT 220 mg of vigabatrin, to a suitable volumetric flask. Add *Mobile phase* to 80% of the volume of the flask. Sonication may be used to aid in dissolution. Allow the resulting solution to cool to room temperature. Dilute with *Mobile phase* to volume.

## Chromatographic system

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

**Mode:** LC

**Detector:** UV 210 nm

**Column:** 4.6-mm × 25-cm; 5-μm packing L1

**Flow rate:** 1.0 mL/min

**Injection volume:** 10 μL

**Run time:** 12 times the retention time of the vigabatrin peak

## System suitability

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

[NOTE—See [Table 1](#) for the relative retention times.]

## Suitability requirements

**Resolution:** NLT 2.0 between vigabatrin related compound B and povidone, *System suitability solution*

**Relative standard deviation:** NMT 5.0%, *Standard solution*

**Signal-to-noise ratio:** NLT 10, *Sensitivity solution*

## Analysis

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

Calculate the percentage of each impurity in the portion of Vigabatrin for Oral Soution taken:

$$\text{Result} = (r_u/r_s) \times (C_s/C_u) \times (1/F) \times 100$$

$r_u$  = peak response of each impurity from the *Sample solution*

$r_s$  = peak response of vigabatrin related compound A from the *Standard solution*

$C_s$  = concentration of [USP Vigabatrin Related Compound A](#) in the *Standard solution*

$C_u$  = nominal concentration of vigabatrin in the *Sample solution*

$F$  = relative response factor (see [Table 1](#))

**Acceptance criteria:** See [Table 1](#).

**Table 1**

Name	Relative Retention Time	Relative Response Factor <sup>a</sup>	Acceptance Criteria, NMT (%)
Vigabatrin	0.12	—	—
Vigabatrin related compound B <sup>b</sup>	0.13	—	—
Povidone <sup>c</sup>	0.25	—	—
Vigabatrin related compound A	1.0	1.0	0.15
Any individual unspecified degradation product	—	0.026	0.15
Total impurities	—	—	0.5

<sup>a</sup> RRF relative to vigabatrin related compound A.<sup>b</sup> Included for peak identification only. Not to be included in *Total impurities*.<sup>c</sup> Povidone is due to excipient. Included for identification only. Not to be included in *Total impurities*.**ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS**

- PACKAGING AND STORAGE:** Preserve in tight containers. Store at controlled room temperature.

**USP REFERENCE STANDARDS (11)**[USP Povidone RS](#)[USP Vigabatrin RS](#)[USP Vigabatrin Related Compound A RS](#)

5-Vinylpyrrolidin-2-one.

C6H9NO 111.14[USP Vigabatrin Related Compound B RS](#)

(E)-2-(2-Aminoethyl)but-2-enoic acid hydrochloride.

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