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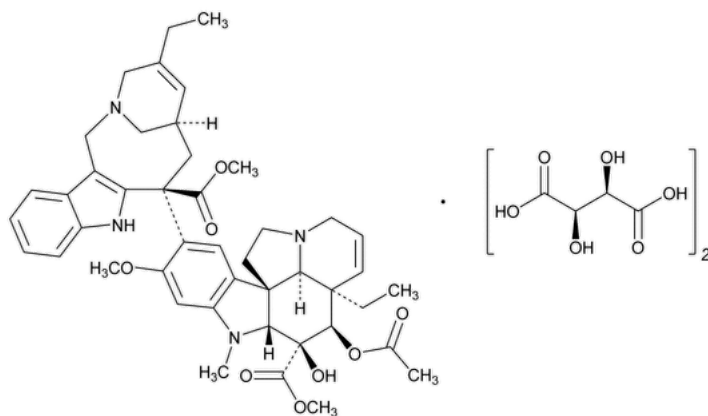
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## Vinorelbine Tartrate



$$\text{C}_{45}\text{H}_{54}\text{N}_4\text{O}_8 \cdot 2\text{C}_4\text{H}_6\text{O}_6 \quad 1079.11$$

8'-Norvincaleukoblastine, 3',4'-didehydro-4'-deoxy-, [R-(R\*,R\*)]-2,3-dihydroxybutanedioate (1:2) (salt);

3',4'-Didehydro-4'-deoxy-8'-norvincaleukoblastine L-(+)-tartrate (1:2) (salt) CAS RN<sup>®</sup>: 125317-39-7; UNII: 253GQW851Q.

### DEFINITION

Vinorelbine Tartrate contains NLT 98.0% and NMT 102.0% of  $\text{C}_{45}\text{H}_{54}\text{N}_4\text{O}_8 \cdot 2\text{C}_4\text{H}_6\text{O}_6$ , calculated on the anhydrous basis.

[CAUTION—Vinorelbine Tartrate is cytotoxic. Great care should be taken to prevent inhaling particles and exposing the skin to it.]

### IDENTIFICATION

#### Change to read:

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

**Sample:** Dissolve 10 mg in 5 mL of water, add 0.5 mL of 5 N sodium hydroxide, and extract with 5 mL of methylene chloride. Filter the organic extract through anhydrous sodium sulfate, and evaporate the organic extract to a volume of about 0.5 mL.

**Acceptance criteria:** Meets the requirements

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

**Sample solution:** Equivalent to 15 mg/mL of tartaric acid in water

**Analysis:** To 0.1 mL of the *Sample solution* add 0.1 mL of 100 mg/mL of potassium bromide, 0.1 mL of 20 mg/mL of resorcinol, and 3 mL of sulfuric acid. Heat on a hot water bath for 5–10 min until a dark blue color develops. Allow to cool, and pour the solution into water.

**Acceptance criteria:** The color changes to red (presence of tartrate).

### ASSAY

#### PROCEDURE

**Buffer:** Dissolve 6.9 g of monobasic sodium phosphate in 900 mL of water. Adjust with phosphoric acid to a pH of 4.2, and dilute with water to 1000 mL.

**Mobile phase:** Dissolve 1.22 g of sodium 1-decanesulfonate in 620 mL of methanol, and add 380 mL of *Buffer*.

**System suitability solution:** Prepare a solution containing 1.4 mg/mL of [USP Vinorelbine Tartrate RS](#) and 0.01 mg/mL of [USP Vinorelbine Related Compound A RS](#) in water. Expose a portion of this solution in a suitable xenon lamp apparatus capable of supplying a dose of 1600 KJ/m<sup>2</sup> between 310 and 800 nm at a power of 500 W/m<sup>2</sup> for 1 h to generate an additional photodegradation product, 3,6-epoxy vinorelbine.

**Standard solution:** 1.4 mg/mL of [USP Vinorelbine Tartrate RS](#) in *Mobile phase*

**Sample solution:** 1.4 mg/mL of Vinorelbine Tartrate in *Mobile phase*

#### Chromatographic system

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

**Mode:** LC

**Detector:** UV 267 nm

**Column:** 3.9-mm × 15-cm; 5-μm packing L1

**Column temperature:** 40°

**Flow rate:** 1 mL/min

**Injection size:** 20 µL

### System suitability

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

### Suitability requirements

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

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

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

### Analysis

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

Calculate the percentage of vinorelbine tartrate ( $C_{45}H_{54}N_4O_8 \cdot 2C_4H_6O_6$ ) in the portion of Vinorelbine Tartrate taken:

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

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

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

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

$C_U$  = concentration of Vinorelbine Tartrate in the *Sample solution* (mg/mL)

**Acceptance criteria:** 98.0%–102.0% on the anhydrous basis

### IMPURITIES

• **RESIDUE ON IGNITION** ([281](#)): NMT 0.1%

• **ORGANIC IMPURITIES**

**Buffer, Mobile phase, System suitability solution, Sample solution, and System suitability:** Proceed as directed in the Assay.

**Standard stock solution:** Use the *Standard solution* as prepared in the Assay.

**Standard solution:** 0.28 µg/mL of vinorelbine tartrate in *Mobile phase*, from *Standard stock solution*

**Chromatographic system:** Proceed as directed in the Assay, except use a run time of NLT three times the retention time of vinorelbine.

### Analysis

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

Calculate the percentage of each impurity in the portion of Vinorelbine Tartrate taken:

$$\text{Result} = (r_U/r_T) \times 100$$

$r_U$  = peak response for each impurity from the *Sample solution*

$r_T$  = sum of the responses of all the peaks from the *Sample solution*

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

[NOTE—Disregard any peaks with an area less than or equal to one-half of the area of the peak for vinorelbine in the *Standard solution*.]

**Table 1**

Name	Relative Retention Time	Acceptance Criteria, NMT (%)
3,6-Epoxy vinorelbine <sup>a</sup>	0.8	0.3
Vinorelbine	1.0	—
Vinorelbine related compound A <sup>b</sup>	1.2	0.2
Any unspecified impurity <sup>c</sup>	—	0.2
Total Impurities <sup>d</sup>	—	0.7

<sup>a</sup> 3',4',7,8-Tetrahydro-3,4'-dideoxy-3,6-epoxy-6,7-dihydro-8'-norvincalculoblastine.

<sup>b</sup> 4-O-Deacetylvinorelbine.

<sup>c</sup> Any individual impurity or coeluted impurities comprising an individual peak.

<sup>d</sup> Excluding 3,6-epoxy vinorelbine.

**SPECIFIC TESTS**• **CLARITY OF SOLUTION****Sample solution:** Equivalent to 10 mg/mL of anhydrous vinorelbine in water from Vinorelbine Tartrate**Acceptance criteria:** The solution is clear.• **COLOR OF SOLUTION****Sample solution:** Equivalent to 10 mg/mL of anhydrous vinorelbine in water from Vinorelbine Tartrate**Analysis:** Determine the absorbance of the *Sample solution* in a 1-cm cell at 420 nm in a suitable spectrophotometer, using water as the blank.**Acceptance criteria:** NMT 0.03• **pH** (791): 3.3–3.8, in a 10-mg/mL solution• **WATER DETERMINATION, Method Ia** (921): NMT 4.0%**ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS**• **PACKAGING AND STORAGE:** Preserve in tight, light-resistant containers. Store in a freezer.• **USP REFERENCE STANDARDS** (11).[USP Vinorelbine Related Compound A RS](#)

4-O-Deacetylvinorelbine tartrate.

$$\text{C}_{43}\text{H}_{52}\text{N}_4\text{O}_7 \cdot 2\text{C}_4\text{H}_6\text{O}_6 \quad 1037.07$$
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