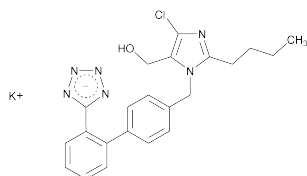


Losartan Potassium



$C_{22}H_{22}ClKN_6O$ 461.00
 1*H*-Imidazole-5-methanol, 2-butyl-4-chloro-1-[[2'-(1*H*-tetrazol-5-yl)[1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yl]methyl]-, monopotassium salt;
 2-Butyl-4-chloro-1-[*p*-(*o*-1*H*-tetrazol-5-ylphenyl)benzyl]imidazole-5-methanol, monopotassium salt [124750-99-8].

DEFINITION

Losartan Potassium contains NLT 98.5% and NMT 101.0% of losartan potassium ($C_{22}H_{22}ClKN_6O$), calculated on the anhydrous, solvent-free basis.

IDENTIFICATION

Change to read:

- **A. INFRARED ABSORPTION** (197M) • **OR** (197K): • (RB 1-Jan-2012)
 Meets the requirements
- **B. ULTRAVIOLET ABSORPTION** (197U)
 Sample solution: 10 µg/mL in methanol
 Acceptance criteria: Meets the requirements
- **C. IDENTIFICATION TESTS—GENERAL, Potassium** (191):
 Meets the requirements

ASSAY

- **PROCEDURE**
 Solution A: 0.1% solution of phosphoric acid in water
 Solution B: Acetonitrile
 Mobile phase: *Solution B* and *Solution A* (2:3)
 Standard solution: 0.25 mg/mL of USP Losartan Potassium RS in methanol
 Sample solution: 0.25 mg/mL of Losartan Potassium in methanol

Chromatographic system

(See *Chromatography* (621), *System Suitability*.)

Mode: LC

Detector: UV 254 nm

Column: 4.0-mm × 25-cm; packing L1

Column temperature: 35°

Flow rate: 1 mL/min

Injection volume: 10 µL

System suitability

Sample: *Standard solution*

Suitability requirements

Column efficiency: NLT 5600 theoretical plates

Tailing factor: NMT 1.4

Relative standard deviation: NMT 0.5%

Analysis

Samples: *Standard solution* and *Sample solution*

Calculate the percentage of losartan potassium ($C_{22}H_{22}ClKN_6O$) in the portion of Losartan Potassium taken:

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

r_U = peak area from the *Sample solution*

r_S = peak area from the *Standard solution*

C_S = concentration of USP Losartan Potassium RS in the *Standard solution* (mg/mL)

C_U = concentration of the *Sample solution* (mg/mL)

Acceptance criteria: 98.5%–101.0% on the anhydrous, solvent-free basis

IMPURITIES

• **HEAVY METALS, Method II** (231): NMT 10 ppm

• **ORGANIC IMPURITIES**

Solution A: 0.1% solution of phosphoric acid in water

Solution B: Acetonitrile

System suitability solution: 0.3 mg/mL of USP Losartan Potassium RS and 2 µg/mL of triphenylmethanol in methanol

Sample solution: 0.3 mg/mL of Losartan Potassium in methanol

Mobile phase: See *Table 1*.

Table 1

Time (min)	Solution A (%)	Solution B (%)
0	75	25
25	10	90
35	10	90
45	75	25
50	75	25

Chromatographic system

(See *Chromatography* (621), *System Suitability*.)

Mode: LC

Detector: UV 220 nm

Column: 4.0-mm × 25-cm; packing L1

Flow rate: 1 mL/min

Injection volume: 10 µL

System suitability

Sample: *System suitability solution*

[NOTE—The relative retention times for losartan and triphenylmethanol are 1.0 and 1.9, respectively. The typical retention time for triphenylmethanol is 20 min.]

Suitability requirements

Tailing factor: NMT 1.6

Analysis

Sample: *Sample solution*

Calculate the percentage of each impurity in the portion of losartan potassium ($C_{22}H_{22}ClKN_6O$) taken:

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

r_U = peak response for each impurity

r_T = sum of the responses for all peaks

Acceptance criteria

Individual impurities: NMT 0.2%

Total impurities: NMT 0.5%

SPECIFIC TESTS

Change to read:

- **WATER DETERMINATION, Method I** (921): NMT 0.5%. • If labeled as an amorphous form, NMT 5.0%. • (RB 1-Jan-2012)

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

Add the following:

• **LABELING:** Where it is an amorphous form, the label so indicates. • (RB 1-Jan-2012)

• **PACKAGING AND STORAGE:** Preserve in well-closed containers. Store at controlled room temperature.

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- **USP REFERENCE STANDARDS** (11)
USP Losartan Potassium RS