

## Oxycodone Hydrochloride Oral Solution

### DEFINITION

Oxycodone Hydrochloride Oral Solution contains NLT 90.0% and NMT 110.0% of the labeled amount of oxycodone hydrochloride ( $C_{18}H_{21}NO_4 \cdot HCl$ ).

### IDENTIFICATION

- A.**  
**Sample solution:** Transfer an amount equivalent to 15 mg of oxycodone from Oral Solution to a separatory funnel, add 10 mL of 0.01 N hydrochloric acid, and extract with four 40-mL portions of chloroform, collecting the chloroform extracts in a second separator. Wash the combined chloroform extracts with 5 mL of 0.01 N hydrochloric acid, and discard the chloroform layer. Combine the acidic wash with the aqueous solution remaining in the first separator and adjust with 6 N ammonium hydroxide to a pH of  $9.5 \pm 0.5$ . Extract with one 50-mL and two 20-mL portions of chloroform, and filter the chloroform extracts through chloroform-washed cotton, collecting the filtrate in a 100-mL volumetric flask. Dilute with water-saturated chloroform to volume, and mix.

**Standard solution:** Prepare a solution using 12 mg of USP Oxycodone RS and 25 mL of 0.01 N hydrochloric acid, and proceed as directed above, beginning with "extract with four 40-mL portions of chloroform".

**Acceptance criteria:** The UV absorption spectrum of the *Sample solution* exhibits maxima and minima at the same wavelengths as that of the *Standard solution*, concomitantly measured.

- B. THIN-LAYER CHROMATOGRAPHY**

**Standard solution:** Evaporate 5 mL of the *Standard solution* obtained from *Identification test A* just to dryness. Dissolve the residue in 1.0 mL of chloroform.

**Sample solution:** Evaporate 5 mL of the *Sample solution* obtained from *Identification test A* just to dryness. Dissolve the residue in 1.0 mL of chloroform.

**Chromatographic system**

(See *Chromatography* <621>, *Thin-Layer Chromatography*.)

**Mode:** TLC

**Adsorbent:** 0.25-mm layer of chromatographic silica gel mixture

**Application volume:** 20  $\mu$ L

**Developing solvent system:** Acetone, toluene, ether, and ammonium hydroxide (6: 4: 1: 0.3)

**Analysis**

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

Develop the plate until the solvent front has moved about three-fourths of the length of the plate, remove it, mark the solvent front, allow the solvent to evaporate, and spray with iodoplatinate TS.

**Acceptance criteria:** The principal spot from the *Sample solution* corresponds in color, size, and  $R_f$  value to that from the solution from the *Standard solution*, and no other spots are observed.

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

### ASSAY

- PROCEDURE**

**Mobile phase:** Acetonitrile, 0.01 M sodium 1-hexanesulfonate, and glacial acetic acid (25:74:1). Adjust with 5 N sodium hydroxide to a pH of 3.5.

**Standard solution:** 0.045 mg/mL of USP Oxycodone RS in *Mobile phase*

**Sample solution:** Transfer an amount equivalent to 5 mg of oxycodone hydrochloride from Oral Solution to a 100-mL volumetric flask, dilute with *Mobile phase* to volume, and mix. Pass a portion of this mixture through a filter having a 0.5- $\mu$ m or finer pore size, and use the clear filtrate as the *Sample solution*.

**Chromatographic system**

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

**Mode:** LC

**Detector:** UV 280 nm

**Column:** 4.6-mm  $\times$  15-cm; 5- $\mu$ m packing L1

**Flow rate:** 1.7 mL/min

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

**System suitability**

**Sample:** *Standard solution*

**Suitability requirements**

**Tailing factor:** NMT 2.0

**Relative standard deviation:** NMT 2.0%

**Analysis**

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

Calculate the percentage of oxycodone hydrochloride ( $C_{18}H_{21}NO_4 \cdot HCl$ ) in each mL of Oral Solution taken:

$$\text{Result} = (r_U/r_S) \times (C_S/C_U) \times (M_{r1}/M_{r2}) \times 100$$

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

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

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

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

$M_{r1}$  = molecular weight of oxycodone hydrochloride, 351.82

$M_{r2}$  = molecular weight of oxycodone base, 315.37

**Acceptance criteria:** 90.0%–110.0%

### OTHER COMPONENTS

- ALCOHOL DETERMINATION, Method II <611>:** If present, 85.0%–115.0% of the labeled amount of alcohol ( $C_2H_5OH$ ), determined by the gas-liquid chromatographic method, using acetone as the internal standard

### PERFORMANCE TESTS

- UNIFORMITY OF DOSAGE UNITS <905>:** Meets the requirements for oral solution packaged in single-unit containers
- DELIVERABLE VOLUME <698>:** Meets the requirements for oral solution packaged in multiple-unit containers

### SPECIFIC TESTS

**Change to read:**

- PH <791>:** 1.4–4.6 (RB 1-Feb-2015)

### ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- PACKAGING AND STORAGE:** Preserve in tight, light-resistant containers.
- USP REFERENCE STANDARDS <11>**  
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