



## Bupropion Hydrochloride Extended-Release Tablets

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In accordance with the Rules and Procedures of the Council of Experts, the Small Molecules 4 Expert Committee has revised the Bupropion Hydrochloride Extended-Release Tablets monograph. The purpose for the revision is to add *Dissolution Test 25* to accommodate FDA-approved drug products with different dissolution conditions and/or tolerances than the existing dissolution test(s). The revision also necessitates a change in the table numbering in *Dissolution Test 26* and the test for *Organic Impurities*.

The Bupropion Hydrochloride Extended-Release Tablets Revision Bulletin replaces the version which is scheduled to become official on August 1, 2021. Please note that Section 3.10 of *USP–NF General Notices* discusses Early Adoption. For questions regarding compliance, please consult your relevant regulatory authority.

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## Bupropion Hydrochloride Extended-Release Tablets

### DEFINITION

Bupropion Hydrochloride Extended-Release Tablets contain NLT 90.0% and NMT 110.0% of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ).

### IDENTIFICATION

• **A. SPECTROSCOPIC IDENTIFICATION TESTS** (197), *Infrared Spectroscopy*: 197K

**Sample:** Crush 1 Tablet using a mortar and pestle. Prepare an approximate 1% (w/w) dispersion of the sample in [potassium bromide](#).

**Acceptance criteria:** The *Sample* shows strong bands at about 1690, 1560, and 1240  $cm^{-1}$  and a weaker band at about 740  $cm^{-1}$ , similar to the reference preparation.

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

### ASSAY

**Change to read:**

• **PROCEDURE**

**Diluent 1:** [Methanol](#) and [0.001 N hydrochloric acid](#) ▲TS▲ (USP 1-Aug-2021) (20:80)

**Solution A:** [Acetonitrile](#), [trifluoroacetic acid](#), and [water](#) (10: 0.04: 90)

**Solution B:** [Acetonitrile](#), [trifluoroacetic acid](#), and [water](#) (95: 0.03: 5)

**Mobile phase:** See [Table 1](#).

**Table 1**

Time (min)	Solution A (%)	Solution B (%)
0	90	10
3.4	87	13
10.0	15	85
10.1	0	100
13.0	0	100
13.2	90	10
19.0	90	10

**System suitability stock solution:** 0.02 mg/mL of ▲USP Bupropion Related Compound C RS▲ (USP 1-Aug-2021) and 0.2 mg/mL of ▲USP Bupropion Related Compound F RS▲ (USP 1-Aug-2021) in [methanol](#)

**System suitability solution:** 0.002 mg/mL of bupropion ▲▲ (USP 1-Aug-2021) related compound C and 0.02 mg/mL of bupropion ▲▲ (USP 1-Aug-2021) related compound F from the *System suitability stock solution* in *Diluent 1*

**Standard solution:** 0.6 mg/mL of [USP Bupropion Hydrochloride RS](#) in *Diluent 1*

**Sample stock solution A:** Transfer a number of Tablets, intact or crushed, to a suitable homogenizer vessel containing sufficient [methanol](#) to obtain a concentration of 3.0 mg/mL of bupropion hydrochloride.

Immediately homogenize the sample for 30 s at 20,000 rpm. Allow extraction for 3 min, and follow by two additional 10-s pulses, each at 20,000 rpm, pausing 3 min between these pulses to ensure complete extraction. Pass a portion of the solution through a nylon filter of 0.45- $\mu$ m pore size, discarding the first 2–4 mL of the filtrate.

**Sample solution A:** Nominally 0.6 mg/mL of bupropion hydrochloride from *Sample stock solution A* in [0.001 N hydrochloric acid](#) <sup>▲TS▲</sup> (USP 1-Aug-2021)

Alternatively, the *Sample solution* can be prepared as follows.

**Buffer:** Dissolve 100 g of [anhydrous dibasic sodium phosphate](#) in 1 L of water. Add 50 mL of [phosphoric acid](#), stir or sonicate until dissolved, and mix. Adjust with [phosphoric acid](#) to a pH of 3.0.

**Diluent 2:** [Methanol](#) and *Buffer* (20:80)

**Sample stock solution B:** Weigh and grind NLT 20 Tablets to prepare a solution having a nominal concentration of 3 mg/mL. Initially add *Diluent 2* (75% of the volume of the flask), stir for 30 min, and sonicate for 15 min. Dilute with *Diluent 2* to volume. Centrifuge a portion of the resulting solution, and use the supernatant.

**Sample solution B:** Nominally 0.6 mg/mL of bupropion hydrochloride from *Sample stock solution B* in *Diluent 2*

### Chromatographic system

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

**Mode:** LC

**Detector:** UV 226 nm

**Column:** 4.6-mm  $\times$  10-cm; 3.5- $\mu$ m packing [L1](#)

**Column temperature:** 40°

**Flow rate:** 1.5 mL/min

**Injection volume:** 5  $\mu$ L

### System suitability

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

[NOTE—See <sup>▲</sup>[Table 27](#) <sup>▲</sup> (RB 1-Aug-2021) for the relative retention times.]

### Suitability requirements

**Resolution:** NLT 1.3 between bupropion <sup>▲</sup> <sup>▲</sup> (USP 1-Aug-2021) related compound F and bupropion <sup>▲</sup> <sup>▲</sup> (USP 1-Aug-2021) related compound C, *System suitability solution*

**Tailing factor:** NMT 1.9, *Standard solution*

**Relative standard deviation:** NMT <sup>▲</sup>1.0%, <sup>▲</sup> (USP 1-Aug-2021) *Standard solution*

### Analysis

**Samples:** *Standard solution* and *Sample solution A* or *Sample solution B*

Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) in the portion of Tablets taken:

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

$r_U$  = peak response of bupropion hydrochloride from *Sample solution A* or *Sample solution B*

$r_S$  = peak response of bupropion hydrochloride from the *Standard solution*

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

$C_U$  = nominal concentration of bupropion hydrochloride in *Sample solution A* or *Sample solution B* (mg/mL)

Acceptance criteria: 90.0%–110.0%

## PERFORMANCE TESTS

### Change to read:

- **DISSOLUTION** (711)

For products labeled for dosing every 12 h

#### Test 1

**Medium:** [Water](#); 900 mL

**Apparatus 2:** 50 rpm

**Times:** 1, 4, and 8 h

**Standard solution:**  $(L/900)$  mg/mL of [USP Bupropion Hydrochloride RS](#) in *Medium*, where *L* is the label claim, in mg/Tablet. Dilute with *Medium*, if necessary.

**Sample solution:** Pass a portion of the solution under test through a suitable filter, and dilute with *Medium*, if necessary.

#### Instrumental conditions

(See [Ultraviolet-Visible Spectroscopy](#) (857).)

**Mode:** UV-Vis

**Analytical wavelength:** 298 nm

**Blank:** *Medium*

#### Analysis

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

Determine the percentages of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved.

**Tolerances:** See [Table 2](#).

**Table 2**

Time (h)	Amount Dissolved (%)
1	25–45
4	60–85
8	NLT 80

The percentages of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved at the times specified conform to [Dissolution](#) (711), [Acceptance Table 2](#).

**Test 2:** If the product complies with this test, the labeling indicates that it meets USP *Dissolution Test 2*.

**Medium:** 0.1 N hydrochloric acid, pH 1.5 (prepared by transferring 50 mL of [hydrochloric acid](#) to 6000 mL of [water](#), adding 18 g of [sodium hydroxide](#), mixing, and adjusting with either diluted [sodium hydroxide](#) or [hydrochloric acid](#) to a pH of 1.5); 900 mL, deaerated

**Apparatus 1:** 50 rpm

**Times:** 1, 2, 4, and 6 h

**Buffer:** 3.45 g of [monobasic sodium phosphate](#) in 996 mL of [water](#). Add 4.0 mL of [triethylamine](#), and adjust with [phosphoric acid](#) to a pH of 2.80.

**Mobile phase:** [Methanol](#) and *Buffer* (35:65)

**Standard solution:**  $(L/900)$  mg/mL of [USP Bupropion Hydrochloride RS](#) in *Medium*, where *L* is the label claim, in mg/Tablet

**Sample solution:** Use portions of the solution under test, and pass through a nylon filter of 0.45- $\mu$ m pore size.

**Chromatographic system**

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

**Mode:** LC

**Detector:** UV 298 nm

**Column:** 4.6-mm  $\times$  15-cm; packing [L1](#)

**Flow rate:** 1 mL/min

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

**System suitability**

**Sample:** *Standard solution*

**Suitability requirements**

**Column efficiency:** NLT 2000 theoretical plates

**Tailing factor:** NMT 2.0

**Relative standard deviation:** NMT 2.0%

**Analysis**

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

Determine the percentages of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved.

**Tolerances:** See [Table 3](#).

**Table 3**

Time (h)	Amount Dissolved (%)
1	25–50
2	40–65
4	65–90
6	NLT 80

The percentages of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved at the times specified conform to [Dissolution <711>](#), [Acceptance Table 2](#).

**Test 3:** If the product complies with this test, the labeling indicates that it meets USP *Dissolution Test 3*.

**Medium:** [Water](#); 900 mL

**Apparatus 2:** 50 rpm. Use wire coil sinkers, if necessary.

**Times:** 1, 2, 4, and 6 h

**Standard solution:** ( $L/900$ ) mg/mL of [USP Bupropion Hydrochloride RS](#) in *Medium*, where  $L$  is the label claim, in mg/Tablet. Dilute with *Medium*, if necessary.

**Sample solution:** Pass a portion of the solution under test through a suitable filter, and dilute with *Medium*, if necessary.

**Instrumental conditions**

(See [Ultraviolet-Visible Spectroscopy <857>](#).)

**Mode:** UV-Vis

**Analytical wavelength:** 250 nm

**Blank:** *Medium*

**Analysis**

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

Determine the percentages of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved.

**Tolerances:** See [Table 4](#).

**Table 4**

Time (h)	Amount Dissolved (for Tablets that contain 200 mg of bupropion hydrochloride) (%)	Amount Dissolved (for Tablets that contain all other strengths of bupropion hydrochloride) (%)
1	30–50	30–55
2	45–65	50–75
4	65–85	70–90
6	NLT 78	NLT 80

The percentages of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved at the times specified conform to [Dissolution <711>](#), [Acceptance Table 2](#).

**Test 5:** If the product complies with this test, the labeling indicates that it meets USP *Dissolution Test 5*.

**Medium:** [Water](#); 900 mL

**Apparatus 2:** 50 rpm

**Times:** 1, 3, and 6 h

**Standard solution:** ( $L/900$ ) mg/mL of [USP Bupropion Hydrochloride RS](#) in *Medium*, where  $L$  is the label claim, in mg/Tablet. Dilute with *Medium*, if necessary.

**Sample solution:** Pass a portion of the solution under test through a suitable filter, and dilute with *Medium*, if necessary.

**Instrumental conditions**

(See [Ultraviolet-Visible Spectroscopy <857>](#).)

**Mode:** UV-Vis

**Analytical wavelength:** 298 nm

**Cell:** 0.5 cm

**Blank:** *Medium*

**Analysis**

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

Determine the percentages of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved.

**Tolerances:** See [Table 5](#).

**Table 5**

Time (h)	Amount Dissolved (%)
1	35–55

Time (h)	Amount Dissolved (%)
3	65–85
6	NLT 80

The percentages of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved at the times specified conform to [Dissolution \(711\)](#), [Acceptance Table 2](#).

**Test 7:** If the product complies with this test, the labeling indicates that it meets USP *Dissolution Test 7*.

**Medium:** 0.1 N hydrochloric acid, pH 1.5 (prepared by transferring 50 mL of [hydrochloric acid](#) to 6000 mL of [water](#), adding 18 g of [sodium hydroxide](#), mixing, and adjusting with either diluted [sodium hydroxide](#) or [hydrochloric acid](#) to a pH of 1.5); 900 mL, deaerated

**Apparatus 1:** 50 rpm

**Times:** 1, 2, 4, and 6 h

**Buffer:** 3.45 g of [monobasic sodium phosphate](#) in 996 mL of [water](#). Add 4.0 mL of [triethylamine](#), and adjust with [phosphoric acid](#) to a pH of 2.80.

**Mobile phase:** [Methanol](#) and *Buffer* (45:55)

**Standard solution:** ( $L/900$ ) mg/mL of [USP Bupropion Hydrochloride RS](#) in *Medium*, where  $L$  is the label claim, in mg/Tablet

**Sample solution:** Use portions of the solution under test, and pass through a nylon filter of 0.45- $\mu$ m pore size.

#### Chromatographic system

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

**Mode:** LC

**Detector:** UV 298 nm

**Column:** 4.6-mm  $\times$  15-cm; packing [L1](#)

**Flow rate:** 1 mL/min

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

#### System suitability

**Sample:** *Standard solution*

#### Suitability requirements

**Column efficiency:** NLT 2000 theoretical plates

**Tailing factor:** NMT 2.0

**Relative standard deviation:** NMT 2.0%

#### Analysis

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

Determine the percentages of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved.

**Tolerances:** See [Table 6](#).

**Table 6**

Time (h)	Amount Dissolved (%)
1	25–50
2	45–70

Time (h)	Amount Dissolved (%)
4	NLT 70
6	NLT 80

The percentages of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved at the times specified conform to [Dissolution <711>](#), [Acceptance Table 2](#).

**Test 9:** If the product complies with this test, the labeling indicates that it meets USP *Dissolution Test 9*.

**Medium:** 0.1 N hydrochloric acid, pH 1.5 (prepared by transferring 50 mL of [hydrochloric acid](#) to 6000 mL of [water](#), adding 18 g of [sodium hydroxide](#), mixing, and adjusting with either diluted [sodium hydroxide](#) or [hydrochloric acid](#) to a pH of 1.5); 900 mL

**Apparatus 1:** 50 rpm

**Times:** 1, 2, 4, and 8 h

**Standard solution:** ( $L/1000$ ) mg/mL of [USP Bupropion Hydrochloride RS](#) in *Medium*, where  $L$  is the label claim, in mg/Tablet

**Sample solution:** Pass a portion of the solution under test through a suitable filter.

**Instrumental conditions**

(See [Ultraviolet-Visible Spectroscopy <857>](#).)

**Mode:** UV-Vis

**Analytical wavelength:** 298 nm

**Blank:** *Medium*

**Analysis**

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

Determine the percentages of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved.

**Tolerances:** See [Table 7](#).

**Table 7**

Time (h)	Amount Dissolved (%)
1	20–45
2	35–55
4	55–85
8	NLT 80

The percentages of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved at the times specified conform to [Dissolution <711>](#), [Acceptance Table 2](#).

**Test 10:** If the product complies with this test, the labeling indicates that it meets USP *Dissolution Test 10*.

**Medium:** [Water](#); 900 mL

**Apparatus 2:** 50 rpm

**Times:** 1, 2, 4, and 8 h



**Standard solution:**  $(L/900)$  mg/mL of [USP Bupropion Hydrochloride RS](#) in *Medium*, where  $L$  is the label claim, in mg/Tablet

**Sample solution:** Pass a portion of the solution under test through a suitable filter.

**Instrumental conditions**

(See [Ultraviolet-Visible Spectroscopy](#) (857).)

**Mode:** UV-Vis

**Analytical wavelength:** 298 nm

**Cell:** 0.5 cm

**Blank:** *Medium*

**System suitability**

**Sample:** *Standard solution*

**Suitability requirements**

**Relative standard deviation:** NMT 2.0%

**Analysis**

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

Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved at each time point ( $i$ ):

$$\text{Result}_i = (A_i/A_S) \times C_S \times V \times (1/L) \times 100$$

$A_i$  = absorbance of bupropion hydrochloride from the *Sample solution* at time point  $i$

$A_S$  = absorbance of bupropion hydrochloride from the *Standard solution*

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

$V$  = volume of *Medium*, 900 mL

$L$  = label claim (mg/Tablet)

**Tolerances:** See [Table 8](#).

**Table 8**

Time Point ( $i$ )	Time (h)	Amount Dissolved (%)
1	1	20–40
2	2	35–60
3	4	55–85
4	8	NLT 80

The percentages of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved at the times specified conform to [Dissolution](#) (711), [Acceptance Table 2](#).

**Test 17:** If the product complies with this test, the labeling indicates that it meets USP *Dissolution Test 17*.

**Medium:** 0.1 N hydrochloric acid, pH 1.5 (prepared by transferring 50 mL of [hydrochloric acid](#) to 6 L of [water](#) containing 18 g of [sodium hydroxide](#), mixing, and adjusting with either diluted [sodium hydroxide](#) or diluted [hydrochloric acid](#) to a pH of 1.5); 900 mL, deaerated

**Apparatus 1:** 50 rpm

**Times:** 1, 2, 4, and 8 h

**Buffer:** To each liter of [water](#) add 6.8 g of [monobasic potassium phosphate](#). Adjust with [phosphoric acid](#) to a pH of 3.0.

**Mobile phase:** [Methanol](#) and *Buffer* (60:40)

**Standard solution:**  $(L/900)$  mg/mL of [USP Bupropion Hydrochloride RS](#) in *Medium*, where  $L$  is the label claim, in mg/Tablet. Sonication may be used to promote dissolution.

**Sample solution:** Pass a portion of the solution under test through a suitable filter. [NOTE—A 0.45- $\mu$ m nylon membrane filter may be suitable.]

### Chromatographic system

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

**Mode:** LC

**Detector:** UV 298 nm

**Column:** 4.6-mm  $\times$  15-cm; 5- $\mu$ m packing [L7](#)

**Flow rate:** 1 mL/min

**Injection volume:** 25  $\mu$ L

**Run time:** NLT 1.5 times the retention time of bupropion

### 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 concentration ( $C_i$ ) of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) in the sample withdrawn from the vessel at time point  $i$ :

$$\text{Result}_i = (r_i/r_S) \times C_S$$

$r_i$  = peak response of bupropion from the *Sample solution* at time point  $i$

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

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

Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved at each time point ( $i$ ):

$$\text{Result}_1 = C_1 \times V \times (1/L) \times 100$$

$$\text{Result}_2 = \{[C_2 \times (V - V_S)] + (C_1 \times V_S)\} \times (1/L) \times 100$$

$$\text{Result}_3 = (\{C_3 \times [V - (2 \times V_S)]\} + [(C_2 + C_1) \times V_S]) \times (1/L) \times 100$$

$$\text{Result}_4 = (\{C_4 \times [V - (3 \times V_S)]\} + [(C_3 + C_2 + C_1) \times V_S]) \times (1/L) \times 100$$

$C_i$  = concentration of bupropion hydrochloride in the portion of the sample withdrawn at time point  $i$  (mg/mL)

$V$  = volume of *Medium*, 900 mL

$L$  = label claim (mg/Tablet)

$V_S$  = volume of *Sample solution* withdrawn at each time point (mL)

**Tolerances:** See [Table 9](#).

**Table 9**

Time Point (i)	Time (h)	Amount Dissolved (for Tablets that contain 100 mg of bupropion hydrochloride) (%)	Amount Dissolved (for Tablets that contain 150 mg or 200 mg of bupropion hydrochloride) (%)
1	1	20–40	15–35
2	2	40–60	35–55
3	4	60–85	55–80
4	8	NLT 85	NLT 80

The percentages of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved at the times specified conform to [Dissolution <711>](#), [Acceptance Table 2](#).

**Test 19:** If the product complies with this test, the labeling indicates that it meets USP *Dissolution Test 19*.

**Medium:** [Water](#), degassed; 900 mL

**Apparatus 1:** 50 rpm

**Times:** 1, 2, 4, and 8 h

**Standard stock solution:** 0.56 mg/mL of [USP Bupropion Hydrochloride RS](#) in *Medium*

**Standard solution:** ( $L/900$ ) mg/mL of [USP Bupropion Hydrochloride RS](#) in *Medium*, where  $L$  is the label claim, in mg/Tablet

**Sample solution:** Pass a portion of the solution under test through a suitable filter of 10- $\mu$ m pore size.

#### Instrumental conditions

(See [Ultraviolet-Visible Spectroscopy <857>](#).)

**Mode:** UV-Vis

**Analytical wavelength:** 298 nm

**Cell:** 1 cm

**Blank:** *Medium*

#### System suitability

**Sample:** *Standard solution*

#### Suitability requirements

**Relative standard deviation:** NMT 2.0%

#### Analysis

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

Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved at each time point ( $i$ ):

$$\text{Result}_i = (A_i/A_S) \times C_S \times V \times (1/L) \times 100$$

$A_i$  = absorbance of bupropion from the *Sample solution* at time point  $i$

$A_S$  = absorbance of bupropion from the *Standard solution*

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

$V$  = volume of *Medium*, 900 mL

$L$  = label claim (mg/Tablet)

**Tolerances:** See [Table 10](#).

**Table 10**

Time Point (i)	Time (h)	Amount Dissolved (for Tablets that contain 100 mg of bupropion hydrochloride) (%)	Amount Dissolved (for Tablets that contain 150 or 200 mg of bupropion hydrochloride) (%)
1	1	32–52	25–45
2	2	50–70	45–65
3	4	NLT 75	65–85
4	8	NLT 85	NLT 85

The percentages of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved at the times specified conform to [Dissolution <711>](#), [Acceptance Table 2](#).

**For products labeled for dosing every 24 h**

**Test 4:** If the product complies with this test, the labeling indicates that it meets USP *Dissolution Test 4*.

**Medium:** [0.1 N hydrochloric acid](#); 900 mL, deaerated

**Apparatus 1:** 75 rpm

**Times:** 2, 4, 8, and 16 h

**Standard solution:** ( $L/900$ ) mg/mL of [USP Bupropion Hydrochloride RS](#) in *Medium*, where  $L$  is the label claim, in mg/Tablet. Dilute with *Medium*, if necessary.

**Sample solution:** Pass a portion of the solution under test through a suitable filter, and dilute with *Medium*, if necessary.

**Instrumental conditions**

(See [Ultraviolet-Visible Spectroscopy <857>](#).)

**Mode:** UV-Vis

**Analytical wavelength:** 252 nm

**Blank:** *Medium*

**Analysis**

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

Determine the percentages of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved.

**Tolerances:** See [Table 11](#).

**Table 11**

Time (h)	Amount Dissolved (%)
2	NMT 20
4	20–45
8	65–90
16	NLT 80

The percentages of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved at the times specified conform to [Dissolution <711>](#), [Acceptance Table 2](#).

**Test 6:** If the product complies with this test, the labeling indicates that it meets USP *Dissolution Test 6*.

**Medium:** [0.1 N hydrochloric acid](#); 900 mL, deaerated

**Apparatus 1:** 75 rpm

**Times:** 1, 2, 4, 8, and 12 h

**Standard solution:** ( $L/900$ ) mg/mL of [USP Bupropion Hydrochloride RS](#) in *Medium*, where  $L$  is the label claim, in mg/Tablet. Dilute with *Medium*, if necessary.

**Sample solution:** Pass a portion of the solution under test through a suitable filter, and dilute with *Medium*, if necessary.

**Instrumental conditions**

(See [Ultraviolet-Visible Spectroscopy](#) (857).)

**Mode:** UV-Vis

**Analytical wavelength:** 298 nm

**Blank:** *Medium*

**Analysis**

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

Determine the percentages of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved.

**Tolerances:** See [Table 12](#).

**Table 12**

Time (h)	Amount Dissolved (%)
1	15–35
2	25–50
4	40–65
8	65–90
12	NLT 80

The percentages of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved at the times specified conform to [Dissolution](#) (711), [Acceptance Table 2](#).

**Test 8:** If the product complies with this test, the labeling indicates that it meets USP *Dissolution Test 8*.

**Acid stage medium:** [0.1 N hydrochloric acid](#); 900 mL

**Buffer stage medium:** [pH 6.8 phosphate buffer](#); 900 mL

**Apparatus 1:** 75 rpm

**Times:** 2 h in *Acid stage medium*; 3, 8, and 16 h in *Buffer stage medium*. The time in the *Buffer stage medium* includes the time in the *Acid stage medium*.

**Standard solution:** ( $L/900$ ) mg/mL of [USP Bupropion Hydrochloride RS](#) in *Acid stage medium*, where  $L$  is the label claim, in mg/Tablet

**Sample solution:** Pass a portion of the solution under test through a suitable filter of 0.45- $\mu$ m pore size.

**Instrumental conditions**

(See [Ultraviolet-Visible Spectroscopy](#) (857).)

**Mode:** UV-Vis

**Analytical wavelength:** 298 nm

**Cell:** 0.5 cm

**Blank:** *Medium*

**Analysis**

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

Determine the percentages of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved.

**Tolerances:** See [Table 13](#).

**Table 13**

Time (h)	Amount Dissolved (%)
2	NMT 10
3	10–30
8	60–90
16	NLT 80

The percentages of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved at the times specified conform to [Dissolution <711>](#), [Acceptance Table 2](#).

**Test 11:** If the product complies with this test, the labeling indicates that it meets USP *Dissolution Test 11*.

**Acid stage medium:** [0.1 N hydrochloric acid](#); 750 mL

**Buffer stage medium:** pH 6.8 phosphate buffer (add 250 mL of 76 g/L [tribasic sodium phosphate](#) to the *Acid stage medium*, adjust with [2 N hydrochloric acid](#) <sup>▲TS▲</sup> (USP 1-Aug-2021) or [2 N sodium hydroxide](#) <sup>▲TS▲</sup> (USP 1-Aug-2021) to a pH of 6.8, if necessary); 1000 mL

**Apparatus 2:** 50 rpm

**Times:** 2 h in *Acid stage medium*; 3, 8, and 16 h in *Buffer stage medium*. The time in the *Buffer stage medium* includes the time in the *Acid stage medium*.

**Acid stage standard solution:** 0.06 mg/mL of [USP Bupropion Hydrochloride RS](#) in *Acid stage medium*. Sonication may be used to aid in dissolution.

**Buffer stage standard solution:** 0.15 mg/mL of [USP Bupropion Hydrochloride RS](#) in *Buffer stage medium*. Sonication may be used to aid in dissolution.

**Sample solution:** Pass a portion of the solution under test through a suitable filter of 0.45- $\mu$ m pore size.

**Instrumental conditions**

(See [Ultraviolet-Visible Spectroscopy <857>](#).)

**Mode:** UV-Vis

**Analytical wavelength:** 298 nm

**Cell:** 0.5 cm

**Blank:** *Acid stage medium* or *Buffer stage medium*

**Analysis**

**Samples:** *Acid stage standard solution, Buffer stage standard solution, and Sample solution*

Calculate the concentration ( $C_i$ ) of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) in the sample withdrawn from the vessel at time point  $i$ :

$$\text{Result}_i = (A_i/A_S) \times C_S$$

- $A_i$  = absorbance of bupropion hydrochloride from the *Sample solution* at time point  $i$   
 $A_S$  = absorbance of bupropion hydrochloride from the *Acid stage standard solution* or *Buffer stage standard solution*  
 $C_S$  = concentration of [USP Bupropion Hydrochloride RS](#) in the *Acid stage standard solution* or *Buffer stage standard solution* (mg/mL)

Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved at each time point ( $i$ ):

$$\text{Result}_1 = C_1 \times V_A \times (1/L) \times 100$$

$$\text{Result}_2 = \{[C_2 \times (V_B - V_S)] + (C_1 \times V_S)\} \times (1/L) \times 100$$

$$\text{Result}_3 = (\{C_3 \times [V_B - (2 \times V_S)]\} + [(C_2 + C_1) \times V_S]) \times (1/L) \times 100$$

$$\text{Result}_4 = (\{C_4 \times [V_B - (3 \times V_S)]\} + [(C_3 + C_2 + C_1) \times V_S]) \times (1/L) \times 100$$

- $C_i$  = concentration of bupropion hydrochloride in the portion of the sample withdrawn at time point  $i$  (mg/mL)  
 $V_A$  = volume of *Acid stage medium*, 750 mL  
 $L$  = label claim (mg/Tablet)  
 $V_B$  = volume of *Buffer stage medium*, 1000 mL  
 $V_S$  = volume of *Sample solution* withdrawn from the *Acid stage medium* or *Buffer stage medium* (mL)

**Tolerances:** See [Table 14](#).

**Table 14**

Time Point ( $i$ )	Time (h)	Amount Dissolved (%)
1	2	NMT 10
2	3	10–30
3	8	55–85
4	16	NLT 75

The percentages of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved at the times specified conform to [Dissolution <711>](#), [Acceptance Table 2](#).

**Test 12:** If the product complies with this test, the labeling indicates that it meets USP *Dissolution Test 12*.

**Medium:** [0.1 N hydrochloric acid](#); 900 mL

**Apparatus 1:** 75 rpm

**Times:** 2, 4, 8, and 12 h

**Standard solution:** ( $L/900$ ) mg/mL of [USP Bupropion Hydrochloride RS](#) in *Medium*, where  $L$  is the label claim, in mg/Tablet

**Sample solution:** Withdraw at least 10 mL of the solution under test and pass through a suitable filter.

**Instrumental conditions**

(See [Ultraviolet-Visible Spectroscopy <857>](#).)

**Mode:** UV-Vis

**Analytical wavelength:** 252 nm

**Cell****For Tablets labeled to contain 150 mg:** 0.1 cm**For Tablets labeled to contain 300 mg:** 0.05 cm**Blank:** *Medium***System suitability****Sample:** *Standard solution***Suitability requirements****Relative standard deviation:** NMT 3.0%**Analysis****Samples:** *Standard solution and Sample solution*

Calculate the concentration ( $C_i$ ) of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) in the sample withdrawn from the vessel at time point  $i$ :

$$\text{Result}_i = (A_i/A_S) \times C_S$$

$A_i$  = absorbance of bupropion hydrochloride from the *Sample solution* at time point  $i$

$A_S$  = absorbance of bupropion hydrochloride from the *Standard solution*

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

Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved at each time point ( $i$ ):

$$\text{Result}_1 = C_1 \times V \times (1/L) \times 100$$

$$\text{Result}_2 = \{[C_2 \times (V - V_S)] + (C_1 \times V_S)\} \times (1/L) \times 100$$

$$\text{Result}_3 = (\{C_3 \times [V - (2 \times V_S)]\} + [(C_2 + C_1) \times V_S]) \times (1/L) \times 100$$

$$\text{Result}_4 = (\{C_4 \times [V - (3 \times V_S)]\} + [(C_3 + C_2 + C_1) \times V_S]) \times (1/L) \times 100$$

$C_i$  = concentration of bupropion hydrochloride in the portion of the sample withdrawn at time point  $i$  (mg/mL)

$V$  = volume of *Medium*, 900 mL

$L$  = label claim (mg/Tablet)

$V_S$  = volume of *Sample solution* withdrawn from the *Medium* (mL)

**Tolerances:** See [Table 15](#).**Table 15**

Time Point ( $i$ )	Time (h)	Amount Dissolved (%)
1	2	NMT 25
2	4	25–50
3	8	60–85
4	12	NLT 80

The percentages of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved at the times specified conform to [Dissolution <711>](#), [Acceptance Table 2](#).

**Test 13:** If the product complies with this test, the labeling indicates that it meets USP *Dissolution Test 13*.



**Medium:** [0.1 N hydrochloric acid](#); 900 mL, deaerated

**Apparatus 1:** 75 rpm

**Times:** 2, 4, 8, and 12 h

**Standard solution:** ( $L/900$ ) mg/mL of [USP Bupropion Hydrochloride RS](#) in *Medium*, where  $L$  is the label claim, in mg/Tablet

**Sample solution:** Withdraw at least 10 mL of the solution under test and centrifuge. Use the supernatant.

### Instrumental conditions

(See [Ultraviolet-Visible Spectroscopy](#) (857).)

**Mode:** UV-Vis

**Analytical wavelength:** 252 nm

**Cell:** 0.1 cm

**Blank:** *Medium*

### System suitability

**Sample:** *Standard solution*

#### Suitability requirements

**Relative standard deviation:** NMT 2.0%

### Analysis

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

Calculate the concentration ( $C_i$ ) of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) in the sample withdrawn from the vessel at time point  $i$ :

$$\text{Result}_i = (A_i/A_S) \times C_S$$

$A_i$  = absorbance of bupropion hydrochloride from the *Sample solution* at time point  $i$

$A_S$  = absorbance of bupropion hydrochloride from the *Standard solution*

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

Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved at each time point ( $i$ ):

$$\text{Result}_1 = C_1 \times V \times (1/L) \times 100$$

$$\text{Result}_2 = \{[C_2 \times (V - V_S)] + (C_1 \times V_S)\} \times (1/L) \times 100$$

$$\text{Result}_3 = (\{C_3 \times [V - (2 \times V_S)]\} + [(C_2 + C_1) \times V_S]) \times (1/L) \times 100$$

$$\text{Result}_4 = (\{C_4 \times [V - (3 \times V_S)]\} + [(C_3 + C_2 + C_1) \times V_S]) \times (1/L) \times 100$$

$C_i$  = concentration of bupropion hydrochloride in the portion of the sample withdrawn at time point  $i$  (mg/mL)

$V$  = volume of *Medium*, 900 mL

$L$  = label claim (mg/Tablet)

$V_S$  = volume of *Sample solution* withdrawn from the *Medium* (mL)

**Tolerances:** See [Table 16](#).

**Table 16**

Time Point ( $i$ )	Time (h)	Amount Dissolved (150 mg/Tablet) (%)	Amount Dissolved (300 mg/Tablet) (%)
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Time Point (i)	Time (h)	Amount Dissolved (150 mg/Tablet) (%)	Amount Dissolved (300 mg/Tablet) (%)
1	2	NMT 25	NMT 25
2	4	30–55	25–45
3	8	65–90	60–80
4	12	NLT 80	NLT 80

The percentages of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved at the times specified conform to [Dissolution <711>](#), [Acceptance Table 2](#).

**Test 14:** If the product complies with this test, the labeling indicates that it meets USP *Dissolution Test 14*.

**Medium:** [0.1 N hydrochloric acid](#); 900 mL

**Apparatus 1:** 75 rpm

**Times:** 2, 4, 8, and 16 h

**Standard solution:** ( $L/900$ ) mg/mL of [USP Bupropion Hydrochloride RS](#) in *Medium*, where  $L$  is the label claim, in mg/Tablet. If necessary, dilute the solution with *Medium*.

**Sample solution:** Pass a portion of the solution under test through a suitable filter. Replace the portion removed with the same volume of *Medium*. If necessary, dilute the filtrate with *Medium*.

#### Instrumental conditions

(See [Ultraviolet-Visible Spectroscopy <857>](#).)

**Mode:** UV-Vis

**Analytical wavelength:** 252 nm

**Blank:** *Medium*

#### Analysis

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

Calculate the concentration ( $C_i$ ) of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) in the sample withdrawn from the vessel at time point  $i$ :

$$\text{Result}_i = (A_i/A_S) \times C_S \times D$$

$A_i$  = absorbance from the *Sample solution* at time point  $i$

$A_S$  = absorbance from the *Standard solution*

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

$D$  = dilution factor for the *Sample solution*, if needed

Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved at each time point ( $i$ ):

$$\text{Result}_1 = C_1 \times V \times (1/L) \times 100$$

$$\text{Result}_2 = [(C_2 \times V) + (C_1 \times V_S)] \times (1/L) \times 100$$

$$\text{Result}_3 = \{(C_3 \times V) + [(C_2 + C_1) \times V_S]\} \times (1/L) \times 100$$

$$\text{Result}_4 = \{(C_4 \times V) + [(C_3 + C_2 + C_1) \times V_S]\} \times (1/L) \times 100$$

$C_i$  = concentration of bupropion hydrochloride in the portion of the sample withdrawn at time point  $i$  (mg/mL)

$V$  = volume of *Medium*, 900 mL

$L$  = label claim (mg/Tablet)

$V_S$  = volume of *Sample solution* withdrawn at each time point and replaced with *Medium* (mL)

**Tolerances:** See [Table 17](#).

**Table 17**

Time Point ( <i>i</i> )	Time (h)	Amount Dissolved (%)
1	2	NMT 20
2	4	20–45
3	8	55–85
4	16	NLT 80

The percentages of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved at the times specified conform to [Dissolution \(711\)](#), [Acceptance Table 2](#).

**Test 15:** If the product complies with this test, the labeling indicates that it meets USP *Dissolution Test 15*.

#### Acid stage

**Acid stage medium:** [0.1 N hydrochloric acid](#), degassed; 900 mL

**Apparatus 1:** 100 rpm

**Time:** 2 h in *Acid stage medium*

**Buffer:** 3.5 g/L of [monobasic sodium phosphate](#) prepared as follows. Dissolve 3.45 g of [monobasic sodium phosphate](#) in 996 mL of [water](#), add 4.0 mL of [triethylamine](#), and adjust with [phosphoric acid](#) to a pH of 2.8.

**Mobile phase:** [Methanol](#) and *Buffer* (45:55)

**Acid stage standard solution:** 0.033 mg/mL of [USP Bupropion Hydrochloride RS](#) in *Acid stage medium*. Sonication may be used to promote dissolution.

**Acid stage sample solution:** Pass a portion of the solution under test through a suitable filter, discard the first 5 mL, and use the filtrate. Then discard the Tablets and remaining solution. [NOTE— A 0.45- $\mu$ m nylon membrane filter may be suitable.]

#### Chromatographic system

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

**Mode:** LC

**Detector:** UV 298 nm

**Column:** 4.6-mm  $\times$  15-cm; 5- $\mu$ m packing [L1](#)

**Flow rate:** 1 mL/min

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

**Run time:** NLT 1.5 times the retention time of bupropion

#### System suitability

**Sample:** *Acid stage standard solution*

#### Suitability requirements

**Tailing factor:** NMT 2.0

**Relative standard deviation:** NMT 2.0%

#### Analysis

**Samples:** *Acid stage standard solution* and *Acid stage sample solution*

Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved:

$$\text{Result} = (r_U/r_S) \times C_S \times V \times (1/L) \times 100$$

$r_U$  = peak response of bupropion from the *Acid stage sample solution*

$r_S$  = peak response of bupropion from the *Acid stage standard solution*

$C_S$  = concentration of [USP Bupropion Hydrochloride RS](#) in the *Acid stage standard solution* (mg/mL)

$V$  = volume of *Acid stage medium*, 900 mL

$L$  = label claim (mg/Tablet)

**Buffer stage:** Use fresh Tablets.

**Buffer stage medium:** pH 6.8 tribasic sodium phosphate buffer and 0.5% sodium lauryl sulfate (Dissolve 19 g of [tribasic sodium phosphate](#) in 1 L of [water](#), add 7 mL of [hydrochloric acid](#), and adjust with [0.2 N sodium hydroxide](#) <sup>▲TS▲</sup> (USP 1-Aug-2021) or dilute hydrochloric acid to a pH of 6.8. Add 5 g of [sodium dodecyl sulfate](#). To promote dissolution, the resulting solution can be continuously stirred and heated to 41°. Allow the solution to cool to 37° before use. Do not allow the temperature to fall below 36.5° before beginning the test.); 900 mL

**Apparatus 1:** 100 rpm

**Times:** 1, 2, 4, and 8 h

**Buffer:** 1.4 g/L of [dibasic ammonium phosphate](#) and 0.5 g/L of [sodium 1-hexanesulfonate](#) prepared as follows. Dissolve 1.4 g of [dibasic ammonium phosphate](#) and 0.5 g of [sodium 1-hexanesulfonate](#) in 1 L of [water](#). To each 1 L of this solution, add 2.0 mL of [triethylamine](#), and adjust with [phosphoric acid](#) to a pH of 7.0.

**Mobile phase:** [Acetonitrile](#) and *Buffer* (60:40)

**Buffer stage standard solution:** 0.33 mg/mL of [USP Bupropion Hydrochloride RS](#) in *Buffer stage medium*

**Buffer stage sample solution:** Pass a portion of the solution under test through a suitable filter, discard the first 5 mL, and use the filtrate.

**Chromatographic system:** Proceed as directed under the *Acid stage*.

**System suitability**

**Sample:** *Buffer stage standard solution*

**Suitability requirements**

**Tailing factor:** NMT 2.0

**Relative standard deviation:** NMT 2.0%

**Analysis**

**Samples:** *Buffer stage standard solution* and *Buffer stage sample solution*

Calculate the concentration ( $C_i$ ) of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) in the sample withdrawn from the vessel at time point  $i$ :

$$\text{Result}_i = (r_i/r_S) \times C_S$$

$r_i$  = peak response of bupropion from the *Buffer stage sample solution* at time point  $i$

$r_S$  = peak response of bupropion from the *Buffer stage standard solution*

$C_S$  = concentration of [USP Bupropion Hydrochloride RS](#) in the *Buffer stage standard solution* (mg/mL)

Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved at each time point ( $i$ ):

$$\text{Result}_1 = C_1 \times V \times (1/L) \times 100$$

$$\text{Result}_2 = \{[C_2 \times (V - V_S)] + (C_1 \times V_S)\} \times (1/L) \times 100$$

$$\text{Result}_3 = \{C_3 \times [V - (2 \times V_S)]\} + [(C_2 + C_1) \times V_S] \times (1/L) \times 100$$

$$\text{Result}_4 = \{C_4 \times [V - (3 \times V_S)]\} + [(C_3 + C_2 + C_1) \times V_S] \times (1/L) \times 100$$

$C_i$  = concentration of bupropion hydrochloride in the portion of the sample withdrawn at time point  $i$  (mg/mL)

$V$  = volume of *Buffer stage medium*, 900 mL

$L$  = label claim (mg/Tablet)

$V_S$  = volume of *Buffer stage sample solution* withdrawn at each time point (mL)

### Tolerances

**Acid stage:** NMT 10%; the percentage of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride

( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved at the time specified conforms to [Dissolution <711>](#), [Acceptance Table 3](#).

**Buffer stage:** See [Table 18](#).

**Table 18**

Time Point ( $i$ )	Time (h)	Amount Dissolved (%)
1	1	5–25
2	2	25–45
3	4	60–85
4	8	NLT 85

The percentages of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved at the times specified conform to [Dissolution <711>](#), [Acceptance Table 2](#).

**Test 16:** If the product complies with this test, the labeling indicates that it meets USP *Dissolution Test 16*.

**Medium:** [0.1 N hydrochloric acid](#); 900 mL, deaerated

**Apparatus 1:** 75 rpm

**Times:** 2, 5, 8, and 16 h

**Buffer:** 3.5 g/L of [monobasic sodium phosphate](#) prepared as follows. Dissolve 3.45 g of [monobasic sodium phosphate](#) in 996 mL of [water](#), add 4.0 mL of [triethylamine](#), and adjust with [phosphoric acid](#) to a pH of 2.8.

**Mobile phase:** [Methanol](#) and *Buffer* (35:65)

**Standard solution:** 0.17 mg/mL of [USP Bupropion Hydrochloride RS](#) in *Medium*. Sonication may be used to promote dissolution

**Sample solution:** Pass a portion of the solution under test through a suitable filter, and discard NLT 1 mL. Dilute the filtrate with *Medium* if necessary. Replace the portion removed with the same volume of *Medium*. [NOTE—A 0.45- $\mu$ m nylon membrane filter may be suitable.]

**Chromatographic system**

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

**Mode:** LC

**Detector:** UV 298 nm

**Column:** 4.6-mm × 15-cm; 5-μm packing [L1](#)

**Column temperature:** 30°

**Flow rate:** 1 mL/min

**Injection volume:** 20 μL

**Run time:** NLT 1.5 times the retention time of bupropion

### 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 concentration ( $C_i$ ) of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) in the sample withdrawn from the vessel at time point  $i$ :

$$\text{Result}_i = (r_i/r_S) \times C_S \times D$$

$r_i$  = peak response of bupropion from the *Sample solution* at time point  $i$

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

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

$D$  = dilution factor for the *Sample solution*, if needed

Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved at each time point ( $i$ ):

$$\text{Result}_1 = C_1 \times V \times (1/L) \times 100$$

$$\text{Result}_2 = [(C_2 \times V) + (C_1 \times V_S)] \times (1/L) \times 100$$

$$\text{Result}_3 = \{(C_3 \times V) + [(C_2 + C_1) \times V_S]\} \times (1/L) \times 100$$

$$\text{Result}_4 = \{(C_4 \times V) + [(C_3 + C_2 + C_1) \times V_S]\} \times (1/L) \times 100$$

$C_i$  = concentration of bupropion hydrochloride in the portion of the sample withdrawn at time point  $i$  (mg/mL)

$V$  = volume of *Medium*, 900 mL

$L$  = label claim (mg/Tablet)

$V_S$  = volume of *Sample solution* withdrawn at each time point and replaced with *Medium* (mL)

**Tolerances:** See [Table 19](#).

**Table 19**

Time Point ( $i$ )	Time (h)	Amount Dissolved (%)
1	2	NMT 10
2	5	30–60

Time Point ( <i>i</i> )	Time (h)	Amount Dissolved (%)
3	8	65–88
4	16	NLT 85

The percentages of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved at the times specified conform to [Dissolution <711>](#), [Acceptance Table 2](#).

**Test 18:** If the product complies with this test, the labeling indicates that it meets USP *Dissolution Test 18*.

**Medium:** [0.1 N hydrochloric acid](#); 900 mL, deaerated

**Apparatus 1:** 75 rpm

**Times:** 2, 4, 8, and 16 h

**Buffer:** 6.8 g/L of [monobasic potassium phosphate](#) in water adjusted with [phosphoric acid](#) to a pH of 3.0

**Mobile phase:** [Methanol](#) and *Buffer* (60:40)

**Standard solution:** ( $L/900$ ) mg/mL of [USP Bupropion Hydrochloride RS](#) in *Medium*, where  $L$  is the label claim, in mg/Tablet. Sonication may be used to promote dissolution.

**Sample solution:** Centrifuge a portion of the solution under test for 15 min.

#### Chromatographic system

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

**Mode:** LC

**Detector:** UV 298 nm

**Column:** 4.6-mm × 15-cm; 5- $\mu$ m packing [L7](#)

**Flow rate:** 1 mL/min

**Injection volume:** 25  $\mu$ L

**Run time:** NLT 1.5 times the retention time of bupropion

#### 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 concentration ( $C_i$ ) of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) in the sample withdrawn from the vessel at time point  $i$ :

$$\text{Result}_i = (r_i/r_S) \times C_S$$

$r_i$  = peak response of bupropion from the *Sample solution* at time point  $i$

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

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

Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved at each time point ( $i$ ):

$$\text{Result}_1 = C_1 \times V \times (1/L) \times 100$$

$$\text{Result}_2 = \{[C_2 \times (V - V_S)] + (C_1 \times V_S)\} \times (1/L) \times 100$$

$$\text{Result}_3 = (\{C_3 \times [V - (2 \times V_S)]\} + [(C_2 + C_1) \times V_S]) \times (1/L) \times 100$$

$$\text{Result}_4 = (\{C_4 \times [V - (3 \times V_S)]\} + [(C_3 + C_2 + C_1) \times V_S]) \times (1/L) \times 100$$

$C_i$  = concentration of bupropion hydrochloride in the portion of the sample withdrawn at time point  $i$  (mg/mL)

$V$  = volume of *Medium*, 900 mL

$L$  = label claim (mg/Tablet)

$V_S$  = volume of *Sample solution* withdrawn at each time point (mL)

**Tolerances:** See [Table 20](#).

**Table 20**

Time Point (i)	Time (h)	Amount Dissolved (for Tablets that contain 150 mg of bupropion hydrochloride) (%)	Amount Dissolved (for Tablets that contain 300 mg of bupropion hydrochloride) (%)
1	2	NMT 20	NMT 20
2	4	25–50	25–50
3	8	65–95	60–85
4	16	NLT 80	NLT 80

The percentages of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved at the times specified conform to [Dissolution <711>](#), [Acceptance Table 2](#).

**Test 20:** If the product complies with this test, the labeling indicates that it meets USP *Dissolution Test 20*.

**Medium:** [0.1 N hydrochloric acid VS](#); 900 mL, deaerated

**Apparatus 1:** 75 rpm

**Times:** 2, 4, 8, and 16 h

**Standard solution:** 0.1 mg/mL of [USP Bupropion Hydrochloride RS](#) in *Medium*

**Sample solution:** Pass a portion of the solution under test through a suitable filter, and dilute with *Medium*, if necessary. Replace the portion removed with the same volume of *Medium*.

**Instrumental conditions**

(See [Ultraviolet-Visible Spectroscopy <857>](#).)

**Mode:** UV-Vis

**Analytical wavelength:** 298 nm

**Blank:** *Medium*

**Analysis**

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

Calculate the concentration ( $C_i$ ) of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) in the sample withdrawn from the vessel at time point  $i$ :

$$\text{Result}_i = (A_i/A_S) \times C_S \times D$$

$A_i$  = absorbance from the *Sample solution* at time point  $i$

$A_S$  = absorbance from the *Standard solution*

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

$D$  = dilution factor for the *Sample solution*, if needed



Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved at each time point ( $i$ ):

$$\text{Result}_1 = C_1 \times V \times (1/L) \times 100$$

$$\text{Result}_2 = [(C_2 \times V) + (C_1 \times V_S)] \times (1/L) \times 100$$

$$\text{Result}_3 = \{(C_3 \times V) + [(C_2 + C_1) \times V_S]\} \times (1/L) \times 100$$

$$\text{Result}_4 = \{(C_4 \times V) + [(C_3 + C_2 + C_1) \times V_S]\} \times (1/L) \times 100$$

$C_i$  = concentration of bupropion hydrochloride in the portion of the sample withdrawn at time point  $i$  (mg/mL)

$V$  = volume of *Medium*, 900 mL

$L$  = label claim (mg/Tablet)

$V_S$  = volume of *Sample solution* withdrawn at each time point and replaced with *Medium* (mL)

**Tolerances:** See [Table 21](#).

**Table 21**

Time Point ( $i$ )	Time (h)	Amount Dissolved (for Tablets that contain 150 mg of bupropion hydrochloride) (%)	Amount Dissolved (for Tablets that contain 300 mg of bupropion hydrochloride) (%)
1	2	NMT 15	NMT 15
2	4	10–35	10–35
3	8	55–80	50–75
4	16	NLT 80	NLT 80

The percentages of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved at the times specified conform to [Dissolution <711>](#), [Acceptance Table 2](#).

**Test 21:** If the product complies with this test, the labeling indicates that it meets USP *Dissolution Test 21*.

**Medium:** [0.1 N hydrochloric acid VS](#); 900 mL, deaerated

**Apparatus 1:** 75 rpm

**Times:** 4, 8, and 16 h

**Standard stock solution 1:** 0.84 mg/mL of [USP Bupropion Hydrochloride RS](#) prepared as follows.

Transfer a suitable amount of [USP Bupropion Hydrochloride RS](#) to an appropriate volumetric flask. Add 50% of the flask volume of [acetonitrile](#). Dilute with [water](#) to volume.

**Standard stock solution 2:** 0.17 mg/mL of [USP Bupropion Hydrochloride RS](#) from *Standard stock solution 1* in *Medium*

**Standard solution:** 0.017 mg/mL of [USP Bupropion Hydrochloride RS](#) from *Standard stock solution 2* in *Medium* passed through a suitable filter of 0.45- $\mu$ m pore size

**Sample solution:** Dilute a portion of the solution under test with *Medium*. Pass a portion of the resulting solution through a suitable filter of 0.45- $\mu$ m pore size. Replace the portion removed with the same volume of *Medium*.

**Instrumental conditions**

(See [Ultraviolet-Visible Spectroscopy <857>](#).)

**Mode:** UV-Vis

**Analytical wavelength:** 252 nm

**Blank:** *Medium*

**Analysis**

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

Calculate the concentration ( $C_i$ ) of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) in the sample withdrawn from the vessel at time point  $i$ :

$$\text{Result}_i = (A_i/A_S) \times C_S \times D$$

$A_i$  = absorbance from the *Sample solution* at time point  $i$

$A_S$  = absorbance from the *Standard solution*

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

$D$  = dilution factor for the *Sample solution*, if needed

Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved at each time point ( $i$ ):

$$\text{Result}_1 = C_1 \times V \times (1/L) \times 100$$

$$\text{Result}_2 = [(C_2 \times V) + (C_1 \times V_S)] \times (1/L) \times 100$$

$$\text{Result}_3 = \{(C_3 \times V) + [(C_2 + C_1) \times V_S]\} \times (1/L) \times 100$$

$C_i$  = concentration of bupropion hydrochloride in the portion of the sample withdrawn at time point  $i$  (mg/mL)

$V$  = volume of *Medium*, 900 mL

$L$  = label claim (mg/Tablet)

$V_S$  = volume of *Sample solution* withdrawn at each time point and replaced with *Medium* (mL)

**Tolerances:** See [Table 22](#).

**Table 22**

Time Point ( $i$ )	Time (h)	Amount Dissolved (for Tablets that contain 150 mg of bupropion hydrochloride) (%)	Amount Dissolved (for Tablets that contain 300 mg of bupropion hydrochloride) (%)
1	4	NMT 20	NMT 30
2	8	35–60	50–70
3	16	NLT 80	NLT 80

The percentages of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved at the times specified conform to [Dissolution <711>](#), [Acceptance Table 2](#).

**Test 22:** If the product complies with this test, the labeling indicates that it meets USP *Dissolution Test 22*.

**Acid stage medium:** [0.1 N hydrochloric acid VS](#); 750 mL

**Buffer stage medium:** Sodium phosphate buffer, pH 6.8 (after 2 h, add 250 mL of 76 g/L of [tribasic sodium phosphate](#), previously heated to  $37 \pm 0.5^\circ$ , to the *Acid stage medium* and adjust with [2 N hydrochloric acid TS](#) or [2 N sodium hydroxide TS](#), if necessary, to a pH of 6.8); 1000 mL

**Apparatus 2:** 50 rpm

**Times:** 2 h in *Acid stage medium*; 4 and 12 h in *Buffer stage medium*. The time in the *Buffer stage medium* includes the time in the *Acid stage medium*.

**Acid stage standard solution:** 0.08 mg/mL of [USP Bupropion Hydrochloride RS](#) in *Acid stage medium*

**Buffer stage standard solution:** 0.3 mg/mL of [USP Bupropion Hydrochloride RS](#) in *Buffer stage medium*

**Acid stage sample solution** and **Buffer stage sample solution:** Use a portion of the solution under test.

### Instrumental conditions

(See [Ultraviolet-Visible Spectroscopy \(857\)](#).)

**Mode:** UV-Vis

**Analytical wavelength:** 298 nm

**Blank:** *Acid stage medium* or *Buffer stage medium*

### System suitability

**Samples:** *Acid stage standard solution* and *Buffer stage standard solution*

#### Suitability requirements

**Relative standard deviation:** NMT 2.0%, *Acid stage standard solution* and *Buffer stage standard solution*

### Analysis

**Samples:** *Acid stage standard solution*, *Buffer stage standard solution*, *Acid stage sample solution*, and *Buffer stage sample solution*

Calculate the concentration ( $C_i$ ) of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) in the sample withdrawn from the vessel at time point  $i$ :

$$\text{Result}_i = (A_i/A_S) \times C_S \times D$$

$A_i$  = absorbance from the *Acid stage sample solution* or *Buffer stage sample solution* at time point  $i$

$A_S$  = absorbance from the *Acid stage standard solution* or *Buffer stage standard solution* at time point  $i$

$C_S$  = concentration of [USP Bupropion Hydrochloride RS](#) in the *Acid stage standard solution* or *Buffer stage standard solution* (mg/mL)

$D$  = dilution factor, if needed

Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved in *Acid stage medium*:

$$\text{Result}_1 = C_1 \times V_A \times (1/L) \times 100$$

$C_1$  = concentration of bupropion hydrochloride in the portion of the sample withdrawn at time point  $1$

$V_A$  = volume of *Acid stage medium*, 750 mL

$L$  = label claim (mg/Tablet)

Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved at each time point ( $i$ ):

$$\text{Result}_2 = \{[C_2 \times (V_B - V_{SA})] + (C_1 \times V_{SA})\} \times (1/L) \times 100$$

$$\text{Result}_3 = \{[C_3 \times (V_B - V_{SB} - V_{SA})] + (C_2 \times V_{SB}) + (C_1 \times V_{SA})\} \times (1/L) \times 100$$

$C_i$  = concentration of bupropion hydrochloride in the portion of the sample withdrawn at time point  $i$  (mg/mL)

$V_B$  = volume of *Buffer stage medium*, 1000 mL

$V_{SA}$  = volume of *Acid stage sample solution* withdrawn at time point  $1$  (mL)

$L$  = label claim (mg/Tablet)

$V_{SB}$  = volume of *Buffer stage sample solution* withdrawn at each time point (mL)

**Tolerances:** See [Table 23](#).

**Table 23**

Time Point ( <i>i</i> )	Time (h)	Amount Dissolved (%)
1	2	NMT 15
2	4	40–60
3	12	NLT 80

The percentages of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved at the times specified conform to [Dissolution <711>](#), [Acceptance Table 2](#).

**Test 23:** If the product complies with this test, the labeling indicates that it meets USP *Dissolution Test 23*.

**Acid stage medium:** [0.1 N hydrochloric acid VS](#); 900 mL, deaerated

**Buffer stage medium:** [pH 6.8 phosphate buffer](#); 900 mL, deaerated

**Apparatus 1:** 75 rpm

**Times:** 2 h in *Acid stage medium*; 6 and 16 h in *Buffer stage medium*. The time in the *Buffer stage medium* includes the time in the *Acid stage medium*.

**Acid stage standard solution:** ( $L/900$ ) mg/mL of [USP Bupropion Hydrochloride RS](#) in *Acid stage medium*, where  $L$  is the label claim, in mg/Tablet

**Buffer stage standard solution:** ( $L/900$ ) mg/mL of [USP Bupropion Hydrochloride RS](#) in *Buffer stage medium*, where  $L$  is the label claim, in mg/Tablet

**Acid stage sample solution** and **Buffer stage sample solution:** Pass a portion of the solution under test through a suitable filter.

#### Instrumental conditions

(See [Ultraviolet-Visible Spectroscopy <857>](#).)

**Mode:** UV-Vis

**Analytical wavelength:** 298 nm

**Cell:** 0.5 cm, flow cell

**Blank:** *Acid stage medium* or *Buffer stage medium*

#### System suitability

**Samples:** *Acid stage standard solution* and *Buffer stage standard solution*

#### Suitability requirements

**Relative standard deviation:** NMT 2.0%, *Acid stage standard solution* and *Buffer stage standard solution*

#### Analysis

**Samples:** *Acid stage standard solution*, *Buffer stage standard solution*, *Acid stage sample solution*, and *Buffer stage sample solution*

Calculate the concentration ( $C_i$ ) of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) in the sample withdrawn from the vessel at time point  $i$ :

$$\text{Result}_i = (A_i/A_S) \times C_S$$

- $A_i$  = absorbance from the *Acid stage sample solution* or *Buffer stage sample solution* at time point  $i$
- $A_S$  = absorbance from the *Acid stage standard solution* or *Buffer stage standard solution* at time point  $i$
- $C_S$  = concentration of [USP Bupropion Hydrochloride RS](#) in the *Acid stage standard solution* or *Buffer stage standard solution* (mg/mL)

Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved in *Acid stage medium* ( $Q_A$ ):

$$\text{Result}_1 = C_1 \times V_A \times (1/L) \times 100$$

- $C_1$  = concentration of bupropion hydrochloride in the portion of the sample withdrawn at time point  $1$
- $V_A$  = volume of *Acid stage medium*, 900 mL
- $L$  = label claim (mg/Tablet)

Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved at each time point ( $i$ ):

$$\text{Result}_2 = [C_2 \times V_B \times (1/L) \times 100] + Q_A$$

$$\text{Result}_3 = [C_3 \times V_B \times (1/L) \times 100] + Q_A$$

- $C_i$  = concentration of bupropion hydrochloride in the portion of the sample withdrawn at time point  $i$  (mg/mL)
- $V_B$  = volume of *Buffer stage medium*, 900 mL
- $L$  = label claim (mg/Tablet)
- $Q_A$  = percentage of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride dissolved in the *Acid stage medium*

**Tolerances:** See [Table 24](#).

**Table 24**

Time Point ( $i$ )	Time (h)	Amount Dissolved (%)
1	2	NMT 15
2	6	50–75
3	16	NLT 80

The percentages of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved at the times specified conform to [Dissolution <711>](#), [Acceptance Table 2](#).

**▲Test 25:** If the product complies with this test, the labeling indicates that it meets USP *Dissolution Test 25*.

**Medium:** 0.1 N [hydrochloric acid](#); 900 mL, deaerated

**Apparatus 1:** 75 rpm

**Times:** 2, 4, 8, and 12 h

**Standard stock solution:** 0.33 mg/mL of [USP Bupropion Hydrochloride RS](#) in *Medium*. Sonication may be used to promote dissolution.

**Standard solution:** 0.033 mg/mL of USP Bupropion Hydrochloride RS from *Standard stock solution* in *Medium*

**Sample solution:** Dilute a portion of the solution under test with *Medium*. Pass a portion of the resulting solution through a suitable filter of 0.45- $\mu$ m pore size, discarding the first few milliliters of filtrate.

**Instrumental conditions**

(See *Ultraviolet-Visible Spectroscopy (857)*.)

**Mode:** UV

**Analytical wavelength:** 252 nm

**Blank:** *Medium*

**Analysis**

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

Calculate the concentration ( $C_i$ ) of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) in the sample withdrawn from the vessel at time point  $i$ :

$$\text{Result}_i = (A_U/A_S) \times C_S \times D$$

$A_U$  = absorbance from the *Sample solution* at time point  $i$

$A_S$  = absorbance from the *Standard solution*

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

$D$  = dilution factor for the *Sample solution*

Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved at each time point ( $i$ ):

$$\text{Result}_1 = C_1 \times V \times (1/L) \times 100$$

$$\text{Result}_2 = \{[C_2 \times (V - V_S)] + (C_1 \times V_S)\} \times (1/L) \times 100$$

$$\text{Result}_3 = (\{C_3 \times [V - (2 \times V_S)]\} + [(C_2 + C_1) \times V_S]) \times (1/L) \times 100$$

$$\text{Result}_4 = (\{C_4 \times [V - (3 \times V_S)]\} + [(C_3 + C_2 + C_1) \times V_S]) \times (1/L) \times 100$$

$C_i$  = concentration of bupropion hydrochloride in the portion of the sample withdrawn at time point  $i$  (mg/mL)

$V$  = volume of *Medium*, 900 mL

$L$  = label claim (mg/Tablet)

$V_S$  = volume of *Sample solution* withdrawn at each time point (mL)

**Tolerances:** See *Table 25*.

**Table 25**

Time Point ( $i$ )	Time (h)	Amount Dissolved (for Tablets that contain 150 mg of bupropion hydrochloride) (%)	Amount Dissolved (for Tablets that contain 300 mg of bupropion hydrochloride) (%)
1	2	NMT 15	NMT 15
2	4	15-35	20-40
3	8	60-80	60-80
4	12	NLT 80	NLT 80

The percentages of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved at the times specified conform to *Dissolution* (711), *Acceptance Table 2*. ▲ (RB 1-Aug-2021)

**Test 26:** If the product complies with this test, the labeling indicates that it meets USP *Dissolution Test 26*.

**Medium:** 0.1 N [hydrochloric acid](#); 900 mL

**Apparatus 1:** 75 rpm

**Times:** 2, 6, and 14 h

**Standard stock solution:** 0.17 mg/mL of [USP Bupropion Hydrochloride RS](#) in *Medium*. Sonication may be used to promote dissolution.

**Standard solution:** 0.017 mg/mL of [USP Bupropion Hydrochloride RS](#) from *Standard stock solution* in *Medium*

**Sample solution:** Dilute a portion of the solution under test with *Medium*. Pass a portion of the resulting solution through a suitable filter of 0.45- $\mu$ m pore size, discarding the first few milliliters of filtrate. Replace the portion removed with the same volume of *Medium*.

#### Instrumental conditions

(See [Ultraviolet-Visible Spectroscopy](#) (857).)

**Mode:** UV-Vis

**Analytical wavelength:** 252 nm

**Blank:** *Medium*

#### Analysis

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

Calculate the concentration ( $C_i$ ) of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) in the sample withdrawn from the vessel at time point  $i$ :

$$\text{Result}_i = (A_U/A_S) \times C_S \times D$$

$A_U$  = absorbance from the *Sample solution* at time point  $i$

$A_S$  = absorbance from the *Standard solution*

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

$D$  = dilution factor for the *Sample solution*

Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved at each time point ( $i$ ):

$$\text{Result}_1 = C_1 \times V \times (1/L) \times 100$$

$$\text{Result}_2 = [(C_2 \times V) + (C_1 \times V_S)] \times (1/L) \times 100$$

$$\text{Result}_3 = \{(C_3 \times V) + [(C_2 + C_1) \times V_S]\} \times (1/L) \times 100$$

$C_i$  = concentration of bupropion hydrochloride in the portion of the sample withdrawn at time point  $i$  (mg/mL)

$V$  = volume of *Medium*, 900 mL

$L$  = label claim (mg/Tablet)

$V_S$  = volume of *Sample solution* withdrawn at each time point and replaced with *Medium* (mL)

**Tolerances:** See [Table 26](#).

Time Point (i)	Time (h)	Amount Dissolved (%)
1	2	NMT 20
2	6	40–65
3	14	NLT 80

The percentages of the labeled amount of bupropion hydrochloride ( $C_{13}H_{18}ClNO \cdot HCl$ ) dissolved at the times specified conform to [Dissolution <711>](#), [Acceptance Table 2](#).

- **UNIFORMITY OF DOSAGE UNITS <905>**: Meet the requirements

## IMPURITIES

### Change to read:

#### • ORGANIC IMPURITIES

**Diluent 1, Solution A, Solution B, Mobile phase,** and <sup>▲</sup>either **Sample stock solution A** and <sup>▲</sup>(USP 1-Aug-2021) **Sample solution A** or <sup>▲</sup>**Buffer, Diluent 2, Sample stock solution B,** and <sup>▲</sup>(USP 1-Aug-2021) **Sample solution B**: Proceed as directed in the Assay.

**System suitability stock solution A**: 0.02 mg/mL of <sup>▲</sup>[USP Bupropion Related Compound C RS](#), <sup>▲</sup>(USP 1-Aug-2021) 0.02 mg/mL of <sup>▲</sup>[USP Bupropion Related Compound F RS](#), <sup>▲</sup>(USP 1-Aug-2021) and 0.012 mg/mL of [USP 3-Chlorobenzoic Acid RS](#) in [methanol](#)

**System suitability solution A**: 0.002 mg/mL of bupropion <sup>▲</sup>(USP 1-Aug-2021) related compound C, 0.002 mg/mL of bupropion <sup>▲</sup>(USP 1-Aug-2021) related compound F, and 0.0012 mg/mL of 3-chlorobenzoic acid from *System suitability stock solution A* in *Diluent 1*

**System suitability stock solution B**: 0.012 mg/mL of [USP 3-Chlorobenzoic Acid RS](#) in methanol

**System suitability solution B**: 0.0012 mg/mL of 3-chlorobenzoic acid from *System suitability stock solution B* in *Diluent 1*

**Standard solution**: 0.0012 mg/mL of [USP Bupropion Hydrochloride RS](#) in *Diluent 1*

<sup>▲</sup>**Sensitivity solution**: 0.0006 mg/mL of [USP Bupropion Hydrochloride RS](#) from *Standard solution* in *Diluent 1* <sup>▲</sup>(USP 1-Aug-2021)

**Chromatographic system**: Proceed as directed in the Assay except use a *Detector* as follows.

**Detector**: UV 226 nm, adjusted  $\pm 2$  nm so that the relative response factor requirement is met. [NOTE—The peak responses of the compounds of interest are very sensitive to changes in the detection wavelength.]

#### System suitability

**Samples**: *System suitability solution A*, *System suitability solution B*, <sup>▲</sup>(USP 1-Aug-2021) *Standard solution*, <sup>▲</sup>and *Sensitivity solution* <sup>▲</sup>(USP 1-Aug-2021)

[NOTE—See <sup>▲</sup>[Table 27](#) <sup>▲</sup>(RB 1-Aug-2021) for the relative retention times.]

#### Suitability requirements

**Resolution**: NLT 1.3 between bupropion <sup>▲</sup>(USP 1-Aug-2021) related compound F and bupropion <sup>▲</sup>(USP 1-Aug-2021) related compound C, *System suitability solution A*; NLT 1.3 between bupropion <sup>▲</sup>related compound <sup>▲</sup>(USP 1-Aug-2021) C and 3-chlorobenzoic acid, *System suitability solution A*

**Relative standard deviation**: NMT 10%, *Standard solution*



**Relative response factor:** 3.8–4.5 for the peak response of 3-chlorobenzoic acid in *System suitability solution B* divided by the peak response from bupropion in the *Standard solution*

**▲Signal-to-noise ratio:** NLT 10, *Sensitivity solution* ▲ (USP 1-Aug-2021)

## Analysis

**Samples:** *System suitability solution B*, *Standard solution*, and *Sample solution A* or *Sample solution B*

Calculate the percentage of 3-chlorobenzoic acid in the portion of Tablets taken:

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

$r_U$  = peak response of 3-chlorobenzoic acid from *Sample solution A* or *Sample solution B*

$r_S$  = peak response of 3-chlorobenzoic acid from *System suitability solution B*

$C_S$  = concentration of [USP 3-Chlorobenzoic Acid RS](#) in *System suitability solution B* (mg/mL)

$C_U$  = nominal concentration of bupropion hydrochloride in *Sample solution A* or *Sample solution B* (mg/mL)

Calculate the percentage of each other degradation product in the portion of Tablets taken:

$$\text{Result} = (r_U/r_S) \times (C_S/C_U) \times (1/F) \times 100$$

$r_U$  = peak response of each other degradation product from *Sample solution A* or *Sample solution B*

$r_S$  = peak response of bupropion hydrochloride from the *Standard solution*

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

$C_U$  = nominal concentration of bupropion hydrochloride in *Sample solution A* or *Sample solution B* (mg/mL)

$F$  = relative response factor for each other degradation product (see [▲Table 27▲](#) (RB 1-Aug-2021))

**Acceptance criteria:** See [▲Table 27.▲](#) (RB 1-Aug-2021) **▲The reporting threshold is 0.10%.▲** (USP 1-Aug-2021)

**▲Table 27▲** (RB 1-Aug-2021)

Name	Relative Retention Time	Relative Response Factor	Acceptance Criteria, NMT (%)	
			100 mg or less	150 mg or greater
Bupropion amine <sup>a</sup>	0.38	1.2	0.3	0.3
<i>S,S,S</i> -Thiomorpholine derivative <sup>b</sup>	0.56	1.1	1.0	1.5
<i>S,R,R</i> -Thiomorpholine derivative <sup>c</sup>	0.78	1.1	0.5	0.4
Bupropion	1.0	—	—	—
Bupropion related compound F	1.71	1.8	1.2	2.3
Bupropion related compound C	1.75	1.7	0.3	0.3
3-Chlorobenzoic acid	1.80	—	0.3	0.3

Name	Relative Retention Time	Relative Response Factor	Acceptance Criteria, NMT (%)	
			100 mg or less	150 mg or greater
Bupropion dione derivative <sup>d</sup>	2.25	1.00	0.4	0.4
Any unspecified degradation product	—	1.00	0.2	0.2
Total impurities	—	—	3.2	3.3

<sup>a</sup> 2-Amino-1-(3-chlorophenyl)-1-propanone.

<sup>b</sup> (3S,5S,6S)-6-(3-Chlorophenyl)-6-hydroxy-5-methyl-3-thiomorpholine carboxylic acid.

<sup>c</sup> (3S,5R,6R)-6-(3-Chlorophenyl)-6-hydroxy-5-methyl-3-thiomorpholine carboxylic acid.

<sup>d</sup> 1-(3-Chlorophenyl)propane-1,2-dione.

## ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

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

### Change to read:

• **LABELING:** ▲The ▲ (USP 1-Aug-2021) labeling states the *Dissolution* test used only if *Test 1* is not used.

### Change to read:

• **USP REFERENCE STANDARDS** <11>.

[USP Bupropion Hydrochloride RS](#)

▲ [USP Bupropion Related Compound C RS](#)

[NOTE—May also be labeled as [USP Bupropion Hydrochloride Related Compound C RS](#) ▲ (USP 1-Aug-2021)]

1-(3-Chlorophenyl)-2-hydroxypropan-1-one.

C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>9</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Cl            184.62

▲ [USP Bupropion Related Compound F RS](#)

[NOTE—May also be labeled as [USP Bupropion Hydrochloride Related Compound F RS](#) ▲ (USP 1-Aug-2021)]

1-(3-Chlorophenyl)-1-hydroxypropan-2-one.

C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>9</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Cl            184.62

[USP 3-Chlorobenzoic Acid RS](#)

3-Chlorobenzoic acid.

C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>5</sub>ClO<sub>2</sub>            156.57

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