

Nitrofurantoin Capsules

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In accordance with section 7.04 (c) of the 2015–2020 Rules and Procedures of the Council of Experts and the [Pending Monograph Guideline](#), this is to provide notice that the Chemical Medicines Monographs 1 Expert Committee intends to revise the Nitrofurantoin Capsules monograph.

Based on the supporting data received from a manufacturer awaiting FDA approval, the Expert Committee proposes to add *Dissolution Test 9* to accommodate a drug product with different dissolution conditions and/or tolerances than the existing dissolution tests.

The proposed revision is contingent on FDA approval of a product that meets the proposed monograph specifications. The proposed revision will be published as a Revision Bulletin and an official date will be assigned to coincide as closely as possible with the FDA approval of the associated product.

See below for additional information about the proposed text.¹

Should you have any questions, please contact Shankari Shivaprasad, Senior Scientific Liaison to the Chemical Medicines Monographs 1 Expert Committee (301-230-7426 or sns@usp.org).

¹ This text is not the official version of a *USP–NF* monograph and may not reflect the full and accurate contents of the currently official monograph. Please refer to the current edition of the *USP–NF* for official text.

USP provides this text to indicate changes that we anticipate will be made official once the product subject to this proposed revision under the Pending Monograph Program receives FDA approval. Once FDA approval is granted for the associated revision request, a Revision Bulletin will be posted that will include the changes indicated herein, as well as any changes indicated in the product's final approval, combined with the text of the monograph as effective on the date of approval. Any revisions made to a monograph under the Pending Monograph Program that are posted without prior publication for comment in the *Pharmacopeial Forum* must also meet the requirements outlined in the [USP Guideline on Use of Accelerated Processes for Revisions to the USP–NF](#).

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mg/mL of nitrofurantoin. Shake the flask for 15 min. If necessary, the sample may be homogenized, using a disperser. In the case of a 50- or 100-mg Capsule, transfer 40.0 mL of this solution to a suitable flask, add 50.0 mL of *Internal standard solution*, mix, and cool to room temperature. Pass a portion of the solution through a nylon filter of 0.45- μ m pore size, discarding the first few mL of the filtrate. In the case of a 25-mg Capsule, transfer 20.0 mL of the solution to a suitable flask, and add 25.0 mL of *Internal standard solution* instead of 50.0 mL.

Acceptance criteria: Meet the requirements

IMPURITIES

• ORGANIC IMPURITIES: LIMIT OF NITROFUZAZONE

Solution A: Prepare as directed in the *Assay*.

Mobile phase: Tetrahydrofuran and *Solution A* (1:9)

System suitability stock solution: 5.0 μ g/mL each of nitrofurazone and nitrofurantoin in dimethylformamide

System suitability solution: *System suitability stock solution* and *Mobile phase* (1:10)

Standard stock solution: 5.0 μ g/mL of USP Nitrofurazone RS in dimethylformamide

Standard solution: Transfer 2.0 mL of the *Standard stock solution* into a glass-stoppered flask, add 20.0 mL of water, and mix.

Sample solution: Transfer a portion of Capsule contents equivalent to 100 mg of nitrofurantoin into a 25-mL glass-stoppered flask. Add 2.0 mL of dimethylformamide, and shake for 5 min. Add 20.0 mL of water, mix, and allow to stand for 15 min. Pass a portion of the mixture through a nylon filter of 0.45- μ m pore size.

Chromatographic system

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

Mode: LC

Detector: UV 375 nm

Column: 3.9-mm \times 30-cm; packing L1

Flow rate: 1.6 mL/min

Injection volume: 60–100 μ L

System suitability

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

[NOTE—Adjust the operating parameters so that the nitrofurazone peak in the chromatogram of the *Standard solution* has a retention time of about 10.5 min and a height of about 0.1 full-scale.]

Suitability requirements

Resolution: NLT 4.0 between the nitrofurazone and nitrofurantoin peaks, *System suitability solution*

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

Analysis

Samples: *Standard solution* and *Sample solution*

Acceptance criteria: The height of any peak from the *Sample solution* at a retention time corresponding to that of the main peak from the *Standard solution* is NMT the height of the main peak from the *Standard solution*. NMT 0.01% of nitrofurazone is found.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- **PACKAGING AND STORAGE:** Preserve in tight containers, and store at controlled room temperature.
- **LABELING:** Capsules that contain the macrocrystalline form of nitrofurantoin are so labeled. When more than one *Dissolution* test is given, the labeling states the *Dissolution* test used only if *Test 1* is not used.
- **USP REFERENCE STANDARDS** (11)
 - USP Nitrofurantoin RS
 - USP Nitrofurazone RS