



Commentary

Interim Revision Announcements proposed in: *Pharmacopeial Forum 42(2) [Mar.–Apr. 2016]*

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Comments were received for the following IRAs, when they were proposed in *Pharmacopeial Forum*:

Monograph/Section: Aspartic Acid/Impurities
Expert Committee: Monographs—Non-Botanical Dietary Supplements
No. of Commenters: 1

Comment Summary # 1: The commenter requested increasing the 6 N hydrochloric acid volume from “15 mL” to “20 mL” used in the *Sample solution* in the test for *Related Compounds*.

Response: Comment incorporated. “15 mL” was replaced with “15 mL–20 mL”.

Monograph/Section: Levothyroxine Sodium Tablets/Limit of Liothyronine Sodium

Expert Committee: Chemical Medicines Monographs 3

No. of Commenters: 1

Comment Summary #1: The commenter recommended retaining the Standard solution, because it is used to establish system suitability.

Response: Comment incorporated.

Monograph/Section: Liothyronine Sodium/Limit of Levothyroxine Sodium

Expert Committee: Chemical Medicines Monographs 3

No. of Commenters: 1

Comment Summary #1: The commenter recommended retaining the Standard solution, because it is used to establish system suitability.

Response: Comment incorporated.

Monograph/Sections: Tamsulosin Hydrochloride/Multiple Sections

Expert Committee: Chemical Medicines Monographs 3

No. of Commenters: 2

Comment Summary #1: The commenter indicated that they did not experience any technical issues with the existing Assay procedure, and requested to retain the existing Assay procedure using a flexible monograph approach.

Response: Comment not incorporated. No supporting information was provided to indicate that the updated Assay procedure is not suitable for all official substances.

Comment Summary #2: The commenter recommended revising the *Enantiomeric Purity* test to include acceptance criteria for relative standard deviation in the System suitability solution, to ensure the system performance.

Response: Comment not incorporated. The Expert Committee will consider future revisions to the monograph upon the receipt of supporting data.