

## Famotidine for Injection

注射用ファモチジン

Famotidine for Injection is a preparation for injection which is dissolved before use. It contains not less than 94% and not more than 106% of the labeled amount of famotidine ( $C_8H_{15}N_7O_2S_3$ ; 337.45).

**Method of preparation** Prepare as directed under Injection, with Famotidine.

**Description** Famotidine for Injection occurs as white porous masses or powder.

**Identification** Dissolve an amount of Famotidine for Injection, equivalent to 0.01 g of Famotidine according to the labeled amount, in 50 mL of 0.05 mol/L potassium dihydrogenphosphate TS. To 5 mL of this solution add 0.05 mol/L potassium dihydrogenphosphate TS to make 50 mL, and determine the absorption spectrum of this solution as directed under the Ultraviolet-visible Spectrophotometry: it exhibits a maximum between 263 nm and 267 nm.

**pH** Dissolve an amount of Famotidine for Injection, equivalent to 0.02 g of Famotidine according to the labeled amount, in 1 mL of water: the pH of this solution is between 4.9 and 5.5.

**Purity** (1) Clarity and color of solution—Dissolve an amount of Famotidine for Injection, equivalent to 0.02 g of Famotidine according to the labeled amount, in 1 mL of water: the solution is clear and colorless.

(2) Related substances—Take a number of Famotidine for Injection, equivalent to about 0.1 g of famotidine ( $C_8H_{15}N_7O_2S_3$ ), dissolve each content in water, wash the inside of the container with water, combine the solutions of the contents with the washings, add water to the combined solution to make exactly 100 mL, and use this solution as the sample solution. Pipet 1 mL of the sample solution, add water to make exactly 100 mL, and use this solution as the standard solution. Perform the test with 5  $\mu$ L each of the sample solution and the standard solution as directed under the Liquid Chromatography according to the following conditions, and determine each peak area of these solutions by the automatic integration method: the total area of the peaks other than the peak of famotidine from the sample solution is not larger than the peak area of famotidine from the standard solution.

**Operating conditions**—

Detector, column, column temperature, mobile phase, flow rate, and selection of column: Proceed as directed in the operating conditions in the Assay.

Detection sensitivity: Adjust the detection sensitivity so that the peak height of famotidine obtained from 5  $\mu$ L of the standard solution is between 5 mm and 10 mm.

Time span of measurement: About 2 times as long as the retention time of famotidine after the solvent peak.

**Water** Not more than 1.5% (0.1 g, coulometric titration).

**Bacterial endotoxins** Not more than 15 EU/mg.

**Assay** Take a number of Famotidine for Injection, equivalent to about 0.1 g of famotidine ( $C_8H_{15}N_7O_2S_3$ ), dissolve each content in water, wash the inside of each container

with water, combine the solutions of the contents with the washings, add water to the combined solution to make exactly 100 mL, and use this solution as the sample stock solution. Pipet 5 mL of this solution, add exactly 5 mL of the internal standard solution, add the mobile phase to make exactly 50 mL, and use this solution as the sample solution. Separately, weigh accurately about 0.05 g of famotidine for assay, previously dried in vacuum with phosphorus (V) oxide at 80°C for 4 hours, dissolve in the mobile phase to make exactly 50 mL. Pipet 5 mL of this solution, add 5 mL of the internal standard solution, add the mobile phase to make exactly 50 mL, and use this solution as the standard solution. Perform the test with 5  $\mu$ L each of the sample solution and the standard solution as directed under the Liquid Chromatography according to the following conditions, and calculate the ratios,  $Q_T$  and  $Q_S$ , of the peak area of famotidine to that of the internal standard.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Amount (mg) of famotidine (C}_8\text{H}_{15}\text{N}_7\text{O}_2\text{S}_3) \\ = \text{amount (mg) of famotidine for assay} \\ \times \frac{Q_T}{Q_S} \times 2 \end{aligned}$$

**Internal standard solution**—To 5 mL of a solution of methyl parahydroxybenzoate in methanol (1 in 500) add water to make 50 mL.

**Operating conditions**—

Detector: An ultraviolet absorption photometer (wavelength: 254 nm).

Column: A stainless steel column 4.6 mm in inside diameter and 15 cm in length, packed with octadecylsilanized silica gel for liquid chromatography (5  $\mu$ m in particle diameter).

Column temperature: A constant temperature of about 25°C.

Mobile phase: Dissolve 2 g of sodium 1-heptane sulfonate in 900 mL of water, adjust to pH 3.0 with acetic acid (100), and add water to make 1000 mL. To this solution add 240 mL of acetonitrile and 40 mL of methanol.

Flow rate: Adjust the flow rate so that the retention time of famotidine is about 6 minutes.

**System suitability**—

System performance: When the procedure is run with 5  $\mu$ L of the standard solution under the above operating conditions, famotidine and the internal standard are eluted in this order with the resolution between these peaks being not less than 11.

System repeatability: When the test is repeated 6 times with 5  $\mu$ L of the standard solution under the above operating conditions, the relative standard deviation of the ratios of the peak area of famotidine to that of the internal standard is not more than 1.0%.

**Containers and storage** Containers—Hermetic containers.

## Famotidine Powder

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