of this solution add 10 mL of solution B obtained in (6) and water to make 20 mL, add 5 mL of acetic acid-sodium acetate buffer solution, pH 4.5, and proceed in the same manner.

(8) Barium—To 20 mL of solution A obtained in (6) add 6 mL of water, 0.5 mL of dilute hydrochloric acid, 3 mL of ethanol (95) and 2 mL of potassium sulfate TS, and allow to stand for 1 hour: the solution has no more turbidity than the following control solution.

Control solution: Dissolve 0.0178 g of barium chloride dihydrate in water to make 1000 mL. To 6 mL of this solution add 20 mL of solution B, 0.5 mL of dilute hydrochloric acid and 3 mL of ethanol (95), and proceed in the same manner.

(9) Calcium—Weigh accurately about 5 g of Lithium Carbonate, add 50 mL of water and 15 mL of hydrochloric acid, and dissolve. Remove carbon dioxide from the solution by boiling, add 5 mL of ammonium oxalate TS, then make alkaline with ammonia TS, and allow to stand for 4 hours. Filter the produced precipitate through a glass filter (G4), wash with warm water until the turbidity of the washing is not produced with calcium chloride TS within 1 minute. Transfer the precipitate and the glass filter into a beaker, add water until the glass filter is covered with water, then add 3 mL of sulfuric acid, heat between 70°C and 80°C, and titrate with 0.02 mol/L potassium permanganate VS until a pale red color persists for 30 seconds: the amount of calcium (Ca: 40.08) is not more than 0.05%.

Each mL of 0.02 mol/L potassium permanganate VS = 2.0039 mg of Ca

(10) Magnesium—To 3.0 mL of solution A obtained in (6) add 0.2 mL of a solution of titan yellow (1 in 1000) and water to make 20 mL, then add 5 mL of sodium hydroxide (3 in 20), and allow to stand for 10 minutes: the solution has no more color than the following control solution.

Control solution: Dissolve 0.0495 g of magnesium sulfate heptahydrate, previously dried at 105°C for 2 hours and heated at 450°C for 3 hours, in water to make 1000 mL. To this solution add 3 mL of solution B obtained in (6), 0.2 mL of a solution of titan yellow (1 in 1000) and water to make 20 mL, and proceed in the same manner.

(11) Potassium—Dissolve 1.0 g of Lithium Carbonate in water to make 100 mL, and use this solution as the sample solution. To 5 mL of the sample solution add 1.0 mL of dilute acetic acid, shake, add 5 mL of a solution of sodium tetraphenylborate (1 in 30), shake immediately, and allow to stand for 10 minutes: the solution has no more turbidity than the following control solution.

Control solution: Dissolve 9.5 mg of potassium chloride in water to make 1000 mL. To 5 mL of this solution add 1.0 mL of dilute acetic acid, shake, and proceed in the same manner.

(12) Sodium—Weigh accurately about 0.8 g of Lithium Carbonate, dissolve in water to make exactly 100 mL, and use this solution as the sample stock solution. Measure exactly 25 mL of the sample stock solution, add water to make exactly 100 mL, and use this solution as the sample solution (1). Separately, weigh accurately 0.0254 g of sodium chloride, dissolve in water to make exactly 1000 mL, and use this solution as the standard solution. Measure exactly 25 mL of the sample stock solution, add exactly 20 mL of the standard solution, then add water to make exactly 100 mL, and use this solution as the sample solution (2). Determine emis-

sion intensities of sodium using a flame photometer with the sample solution (1) and the sample solution (2) under the following conditions. Adjust the wavelength dial to 589 nm, atomize the sample solution (2) into the flame, then adjust the sensitivity so that the emission intensity $L_{\rm S}$ shows 100 adjustment, and determine emission intensity $L_{\rm T}$ of the sample solution (1). Then, make the other conditions identical, change the wavelength dial to 580 nm, determine emission intensity $L_{\rm B}$ of the sample solution (1): the amount of sodium, calculated from the following equation, is not more than 0.05%.

Amount (%) of sodium (Na)
=
$$\frac{L_{\rm T} - L_{\rm B}}{L_{\rm S} - L_{\rm T}} \times \frac{W'}{W} \times 100$$

W: Amount (mg) of the sample in 25 mL of the sample stock solution.

W': Amount (mg) of sodium in 20 mL of the standard solution.

(13) Arsenic—Prepare the test solution with 1.0 g of Lithium Carbonate, add 2 mL of water and 3 mL of hydrochloric acid, and perform the test using Apparatus B (not more than 2 ppm).

Loss on drying Not more than 0.5% (1 g, 105°C, 3 hours).

Assay Weigh accurately about 1 g of Lithium Carbonate, previously dried, add exactly 100 mL of water and 50 mL of 0.5 mol/L sulfuric acid VS, remove carbon dioxide by boiling gently, cool, and titrate the excess sulfuric acid with 1 mol/L sodium hydroxide VS until the color of the solution changes from red to yellow (indicator: 3 drops of methyl red TS). Perform a blank determination.

Each mL of 0.5 mol/L sulfuric acid VS = 36.946 mg of Li₂CO₃

Containers and storage Containers—Well-closed containers

Lorazepam

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C₁₅H₁₀Cl₂N₂O₂: 321.16

(RS)-7-Chloro-5-(2-chlorophenyl)-1,3-dihydro-3-hydroxy-2H-1,4-benzodiazepin-2-one [846-49-1]

Lorazepam, when dried, contains not less than 98.5% of $C_{15}H_{10}Cl_2N_2O_2$.

Description Lorazepam occurs as a white, crystalline powder. It is odorless.

It is sparingly soluble in ethanol (95) and in acetone, slightly soluble in diethyl ether, and practically insoluble in water.

It is gradually colored by light.

Identification (1) To 0.02 g of Lorazepam add 15 mL of dilute hydrochloric acid, boil for 5 minutes, and cool: the solution responds to the Qualitative Tests for primary aromatic amines.

- (2) Determine the absorption spectrum of a solution of Lorazepam in ethanol (95) (1 in 200,000) as directed under the Ultraviolet-visible Spectrophotometry, and compare the spectrum with the Reference Spectrum: both spectra exhibit similar intensities of absorption at the same wavelengths.
- (3) Determine the infrared absorption spectrum of Lorazepam, previously dried, as directed in the potassium bromide disk method under the Infrared Spectrophotometry, and compare the spectrum with the Reference Spectrum: both spectra exhibit similar intensities of absorption at the same wave numbers.
- (4) Perform the test with Lorazepam as directed under the Flame Coloration Test (2): a green color appears.

Absorbance $E_{1cm}^{1\%}$ (229 nm): 1080 – 1126 (after drying, 1 mg, ethanol (95), 200 mL).

- **Purity** (1) Chloride—To 1.0 g of Lorazepam add 50 mL of water, allow to stand for 1 hour with occasional shaking, and filter. To 25 mL of the filtrate add 6 mL of dilute nitric acid and water to make 50 mL. Perform the test using this solution as the test solution. Prepare the control solution with 0.20 mL of 0.01 mol/L hydrochloric acid VS (not more than 0.014%).
- (2) Heavy metals—Proceed with 1.0 g of Lorazepam according to Method 2, and perform the test. Prepare the control solution with 2.0 mL of Standard Lead Solution (not more than 20 ppm).
- (3) Arsenic—Prepare the test solution with 1.0 g of Lorazepam according to Method 3, and perform the test using Apparatus B (not more than 2 ppm).
- (4) Related substances—Dissolve 0.10 g of Lorazepam in 20 mL of ethanol (95), and use this solution as the sample solution. Pipet 1 mL of the sample solution, add ethanol (95) to make exactly 100 mL, and use this solution as the standard solution. Perform the test with these solutions as directed under the Thin-layer Chromatography. Spot $10~\mu$ L each of the sample solution and the standard solution on a plate of silica gel with fluorescent indicator for thin-layer chromatography. Develop the plate with a mixture of chloroform, 1,4-dioxane and acetic acid (100) (91:5:4) to a distance of about 15 cm, and air-dry the plate. Examine under ultraviolet light (main wavelength: 254 nm): the spots other than the principal spot from the sample solution are not more intense than the spot from the standard solution.

Loss on drying Not more than 0.5% (1 g, in vacuum, 105°C, 3 hours).

Residue on ignition Not more than 0.30% (1 g).

Assay Weigh accurately about 0.4 g of Lorazepam, previously dried, dissolve in 50 mL of acetone, and titrate with 0.1 mol/L tetrabutylammonium hydroxide VS (potentiometric titration). Perform a blank determination, and make any necessary correction.

Each mL of 0.1 mol/L tetrabutylammonium hydroxide VS

 $= 32.116 \text{ mg of } C_{15}H_{10}Cl_2N_2O_2$

Containers and storage Containers—Tight containers. Storage—Light-resistant.

Loxoprofen Sodium

ロキソプロフェンナトリウム

C₁₅H₁₇NaO₃.2H₂O: 304.31 Monosodium 2-[4-(2-oxocyclopentylmethyl)phenyl]-propanoate dihydrate [80382-23-6]

Loxoprofen Sodium contains not less than 98.5% of $C_{15}H_{17}NaO_3$ (mol. wt.: 268.28), calculated on the anhydrous basis.

Description Loxoprofen Sodium occurs as white to yellowish white crystals or crystalline powder.

It is very soluble in water and in methanol, freely soluble in ethanol (95), and practically insoluble in diethyl ether.

A solution of Loxoprofen Sodium (1 in 20) does not show optical rotation.

The pH of a solution of Loxoprofen Sodium in freshly boiled and cooled water (1 in 20) is between 6.5 and 8.5.

- **Identification** (1) Determine the absorption spectrum of a solution of Loxoprofen Sodium (1 in 55,000) as directed under the Ultraviolet-visible Spectrophotometry, and compare the spectrum with the Reference Spectrum: both spectra exhibit similar intensities of absorption at the same wavelengths.
- (2) Determine the infrared absorption spectrum of Loxoprofen Sodium as directed in the potassium bromide disk method under the Infrared Spectrophotometry, and compare the spectrum with the Reference Spectrum: both spectra exhibit similar intensities of absorption at the same wave numbers.
- (3) A solution of Loxoprofen Sodium (1 in 10) responds to the Qualitative Tests for sodium salt.
- **Purity** (1) Clarity and color of solution—Dissolve 1.0 g of Loxoprofen Sodium in 10 mL of water: the solution is clear and colorless or pale yellow. The color is not darker than that of diluted Matching Fluid for Color A (1 in 2).
- (2) Heavy metals—Proceed with 2.0 g of Loxoprofen Sodium according to Method 2, and perform the test. Prepare the control solution with 2.0 mL of Standard Lead Solution (not more than 10 ppm).
- (3) Related substances—Dissolve 1.0 g of Loxoprofen Sodium in 10 mL of methanol, and use this solution as the sample solution. Pipet 1 mL of the sample solution, add methanol to make exactly 200 mL, and use this solution as the standard solution. Perform the test with these solutions as directed under the Thin-layer Chromatography. Spot 10 μ L each of the sample solution and the standard solution on a plate of silica gel with fluorescent indicator for thin-layer chromatography. Develop the plate with a mixture of 1,2-