

mol/L hydrochloric acid TS, and dilute with water to make 100 mL. To 1 mL of the solution add water to make 100 mL, determine the absorption spectrum of the solution 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.

Melting point 146 – 149°C

Purity (1) Clarity and color of solution—Dissolve 1.0 g of Metoclopramide in 10 mL of 1 mol/L hydrochloric acid TS: the solution is clear and colorless.

(2) Heavy metals—Proceed with 1.0 g of Metoclopramide as directed under 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—Dissolve 1.0 g of Metoclopramide in 5 mL of 1 mol/L hydrochloric acid TS, and use this solution as the sample solution. Perform the test using Apparatus B (not more than 2 ppm).

(4) Related substances—Dissolve 0.10 g of Metoclopramide in 10 mL of methanol, and use this solution as the sample solution. Dilute 1 mL of this solution, exactly measured, with 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-butanol and ammonia solution (28) (19:1) to a distance of about 10 cm. Dry the plate, first in air and then at 80°C for 30 minutes. 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, 105°C, 3 hours).

Residue on ignition Not more than 0.10% (1 g).

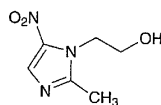
Assay Dissolve about 0.4 g of Metoclopramide, previously dried and accurately weighed, in 50 mL of acetic acid (100), add 5 mL of acetic anhydride, and warm for 5 minutes. Allow to cool, and titrate with 0.1 mol/L perchloric acid VS (indicator: 2 drops of crystal violet TS). Perform the blank determination, and make any necessary correction.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Each mL of 0.1 mol/L perchloric acid VS} \\ = 29.980 \text{ mg of } C_{14}H_{22}ClN_3O_2 \end{aligned}$$

Containers and storage Containers—Well-closed containers.

Metronidazole

メトロニダゾール



$C_6H_9N_3O_3$: 171.15

2-(2-Methyl-5-nitro-1H-imidazol-1-yl)ethanol [443-48-1]

Metronidazole, when dried, contains not less than 99.0% of $C_6H_9N_3O_3$.

Description Metronidazole occurs as white to pale yellowish white crystals or crystalline powder. It is odorless, and has a slightly bitter taste.

It is freely soluble in acetic acid (100), sparingly soluble in ethanol (95) and in acetone, slightly soluble in water, and very slightly soluble in diethyl ether.

It dissolves in dilute hydrochloric acid.

It is affected by light.

Identification (1) Determine the absorption spectrum of a solution of Metronidazole in 0.1 mol/L hydrochloric acid TS (1 in 100,000) 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 Metronidazole 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.

Melting point 159 – 163°C

Purity (1) Heavy metals—Proceed with 1.0 g of Metronidazole 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).

(2) Arsenic—Prepare the test solution with 1.0 g of Metronidazole according to Method 3, and perform the test using Apparatus B (not more than 2 ppm).

(3) 2-Methyl-5-nitroimidazol—Dissolve 0.10 g of Metronidazole in acetone to make exactly 10 mL, and use this solution as the sample solution. Separately, dissolve 0.020 g of 2-methyl-5-nitroimidazole for thin-layer chromatography in acetone to make exactly 20 mL, then pipet 5 mL of this solution, add acetone 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 20 μ L each of the sample solution and the standard solution on a plate of silica gel with fluorescent indicator for thin-layer chromatography. Immediately develop the plate with a mixture of acetone, water and ethyl acetate (8:1:1) to a distance of about 15 cm, and air-dry the plate. Examine under ultraviolet light (main wavelength: 254 nm): the spot from the sample solution corresponding to the spot from the standard solution is not more intense than the spot from the standard solution.

Loss on drying Not more than 0.5% (1 g, in vacuum, silica gel, 24 hours).

Residue on ignition Not more than 0.10% (1 g).

Assay Weigh accurately about 0.2 g of Metronidazole, previously dried, and dissolve in 30 mL of acetic acid (100). Titrate with 0.1 mol/L perchloric acid VS (indicator: 0.5 mL of *p*-naphtholbenzein TS) until the color of the solution changes from orange-yellow to green. Perform a blank determination, and make any necessary correction.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Each mL of 0.1 mol/L perchloric acid VS} \\ = 17.116 \text{ mg of } C_6H_9N_3O_3 \end{aligned}$$

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