

subjected to further processing during the preparation of injectable dosage forms.

- **USP REFERENCE STANDARDS** (11)
  - USP Ampicillin RS
  - USP Endotoxin RS
  - USP Piperacillin RS

## Piperacillin for Injection

» Piperacillin for Injection contains an amount of piperacillin sodium equivalent to not less than 90.0 percent and not more than 120.0 percent of the labeled amount of piperacillin ( $C_{23}H_{27}N_5O_7S$ ).

**Packaging and storage**—Preserve in *Containers for Sterile Solids* as described under *Injections* (1).

### USP Reference standards (11)—

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**Constituted solution**—At the time of use, it meets the requirements for *Constituted Solutions* under *Injections* (1).

**Bacterial endotoxins** (85)—It contains not more than 0.07 USP Endotoxin Unit per mg of piperacillin.

**Sterility** (71)—It meets the requirements when tested as directed for *Membrane Filtration* under *Test for Sterility of the Product to be Examined*.

**pH** (791): between 4.8 and 6.8, in a solution containing 200 mg of piperacillin per mL.

**Water, Method I** (921): not more than 0.9%.

**Particulate matter** (788): meets the requirements for small volume injections.

### Related compounds—

*Mobile phase* and *Chromatographic system*—Proceed as directed in the *Assay* under *Piperacillin*.

*Standard piperacillin solution*—Proceed as directed in the *Related compounds, Test 1* under *Piperacillin*.

*Test solution 1* and *Test solution 2*—Use *Assay preparation 1* and *Assay preparation 2*, respectively, and proceed as directed under the *Assay*.

*Procedure*—Separately inject equal volumes (about 10  $\mu$ L) of the *Test solutions* and the *Standard piperacillin solution*, and proceed as directed in the *Assay*. Calculate the percentage of piperacillin related compound A and piperacillin related compound C in the portion of Piperacillin for Injection taken by the formula:

$$0.1 C(P/A)(RRF_i)(r_i/r_{sp})$$

in which *C* is the concentration, in mg per mL, of USP Piperacillin RS in the *Standard piperacillin solution*, *P* is the designated potency, in  $\mu$ g of piperacillin per mg, of USP Piperacillin RS, *A* is the quantity, in mg, of piperacillin in each mL of *Test solution 1* or *Test solution 2*, *RRF<sub>i</sub>* is the response factor of an individual piperacillin related compound relative to the response of piperacillin, specifically 1.4 for piperacillin related compound A and 0.93 for piperacillin related compound C, *r<sub>i</sub>* is the response of each impurity peak, if any, observed in the chromatogram of the *Test solution* at a retention time corresponding to piperacillin related compound A or piperacillin related compound C, and *r<sub>sp</sub>* is the peak response of the piperacillin peak in the chromatogram of the *Standard piperacillin solution*: not more than 3.5% of piperacillin related compound A and not more than 1.0% of piperacillin related compound C is found.

**Other requirements**—It responds to the *Identification* test under *Piperacillin* and meets the requirements for *Uniformity of Dosage Units* (905) and *Labeling* under *Injections* (1).

### Assay—

*Mobile phase, Standard preparation, Resolution solution, and Chromatographic system*—Proceed as directed in the *Assay* under *Piperacillin*.

*Assay preparation 1* (where it is labeled for use as a single-dose container)—Constitute Piperacillin for Injection in a volume of water, accurately measured, corresponding to the volume of solvent specified in the labeling. Withdraw all of the withdrawable contents, using a suitable hypodermic needle and syringe, and dilute quantitatively with *Mobile phase* to obtain a solution containing about 0.4 mg of piperacillin per mL.

*Assay preparation 2* (where the label states the quantity of piperacillin in a given volume of the constituted solution)—Constitute Piperacillin for Injection in a volume of water, accurately measured, corresponding to the volume of solvent specified in the labeling. Dilute an accurately measured volume of the constituted solution quantitatively with *Mobile phase* to obtain a solution containing about 0.4 mg of piperacillin per mL.

*Procedure*—Separately inject equal volumes (about 10  $\mu$ L) of the *Standard preparation* and the *Assay preparations* into the chromatograph, record the chromatograms, and measure the responses for the major peaks. Calculate the quantity, in mg of piperacillin ( $C_{23}H_{27}N_5O_7S$ ) in the container, or in the portion of constituted solution taken by the formula:

$$(L/D)(CP/1000)(r_u/r_s)$$

in which *L* is the labeled quantity, in mg, of piperacillin in the container or in the volume of constituted solution taken, *D* is the concentration, in mg of piperacillin per mL, of *Assay preparation 1* or *Assay preparation 2*, based on the labeled quantity in the container or in the portion of constituted solution taken, respectively, and the extent of dilution, *C* is the concentration, in mg per mL, of USP Piperacillin RS in the *Standard preparation*, *P* is the designated potency, in  $\mu$ g of piperacillin per mg, of USP Piperacillin RS, and *r<sub>u</sub>* and *r<sub>s</sub>* are the piperacillin peak responses obtained from the *Assay preparation* and the *Standard preparation*, respectively.

## Piperacillin and Tazobactam for Injection

### DEFINITION

Piperacillin and Tazobactam for Injection contains amounts of Piperacillin Sodium and Tazobactam Sodium equivalent to NLT 90.0% and NMT 110.0% of the labeled amounts of piperacillin ( $C_{23}H_{27}N_5O_7S$ ) and tazobactam ( $C_{10}H_{12}N_4O_5S$ ), the labeled amounts representing proportions of piperacillin to tazobactam of 8:1. It may contain small amounts of a suitable buffer and stabilizer.

### IDENTIFICATION

- The retention times of the major peaks of the *Sample solution* correspond to those of the *Standard solution*, as obtained in the *Assay*.

### ASSAY

#### • PROCEDURE

[NOTE—Refrigerate the *Standard solution* and the *Sample solution* immediately after preparation and during analysis, using a refrigerated autosampler set at  $5 \pm 3^\circ$ . The solutions should be analyzed within 24 h of preparation.]

**Solution A:** Phosphoric acid and water (1:4)

**Solution B:** Dilute the contents of one vial of tetrabutylammonium hydrogen sulfate ion pairing reagent with water to 1 L.

**Mobile phase:** Acetonitrile and *Solution B* (1:3), adjusted with *Solution A* to a pH of 3.8

**Diluent:** Acetonitrile and water (1:3)

**Standard stock solution A:** 0.06 mg/mL of USP Tazobactam Related Compound A RS in *Diluent*

**Standard stock solution B:** 0.5 mg/mL of USP Tazobactam RS in *Diluent*

**Standard stock solution C:** 1.0 mg/mL of USP Piperacillin RS in acetonitrile and *Diluent* (1:24). [NOTE—Dissolve first in acetonitrile, using about 4% of the final volume, and dilute with *Diluent* to volume.]

**System suitability solution:** 0.006 mg/mL of tazobactam related compound A from *Standard stock solution A* and 0.025 mg/mL of tazobactam from *Standard stock solution B* in *Diluent*

**Standard solution:** 0.025 mg/mL of tazobactam from *Standard stock solution B* and 0.2 mg/mL of piperacillin from *Standard stock solution C* in *Mobile phase*

**Sample solution:** Equivalent to 0.025 mg/mL of tazobactam and 0.2 mg/mL of piperacillin from Piperacillin and Tazobactam for Injection in *Mobile phase*

#### Chromatographic system

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

**Mode:** LC

**Detector:** UV 210 nm

**Column:** 4.6-mm × 15-cm; 3-μm packing L11

**Autosampler temperature:** 5 ± 3°

**Flow rate:** 1 mL/min

**Injection size:** 20 μL

#### System suitability

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

#### Suitability requirements

**Resolution:** NLT 3 between tazobactam related compound A and tazobactam, *System suitability solution*

**Tailing factor:** NMT 1.8 for tazobactam and piperacillin, *Standard solution*

**Relative standard deviation:** NMT 2% for tazobactam and piperacillin, *Standard solution*

#### Analysis

**Samples:** *Standard solution* and *Sample solution*

Calculate the percentages of C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>27</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>7</sub>S and C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>12</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>5</sub>S in the portion of Piperacillin and Tazobactam for Injection taken:

$$\text{Result} = (r_U/r_S) \times (C_S/C_U) \times P \times 100$$

$r_U$  = peak response of piperacillin or tazobactam from the *Sample solution*

$r_S$  = peak response of piperacillin or tazobactam from the *Standard solution*

$C_S$  = concentration of USP Piperacillin RS or USP Tazobactam RS in the *Standard solution* (mg/mL)

$C_U$  = nominal concentration of piperacillin or tazobactam in the *Sample solution* (mg/mL)

$P$  = potency of piperacillin or tazobactam in USP Piperacillin RS or USP Tazobactam RS, respectively (mg/mg)

**Acceptance criteria:** 90.0%–110.0%

#### PERFORMANCE TESTS

- UNIFORMITY OF DOSAGE UNITS** <905>: Meets the requirements

#### IMPURITIES

##### Organic Impurities

##### PROCEDURE

[NOTE—Refrigerate the *Standard solution* and the *Sample solution* immediately after preparation and during analysis, using a refrigerated autosampler set at 5 ± 3°. The solutions should be analyzed within 24 h of preparation.]

**Mobile phase, Diluent, System suitability solution, Standard solution, Sample solution, Chromatographic system, and System suitability:** Proceed as directed in the *Assay*.

#### Analysis

**Samples:** *Standard solution* and *Sample solution*

Calculate the percentage of each impurity in the portion of Piperacillin and Tazobactam for Injection taken:

$$\text{Result} = (r_U/r_S) \times (C_S/W_U) \times P \times D \times (1/F) \times 100$$

$r_U$  = peak response of each impurity from the *Sample solution*

$r_S$  = response of piperacillin from the *Standard solution*

$C_S$  = concentration of USP Piperacillin RS in the *Standard solution* (mg/mL)

$W_U$  = weight of product used to prepare the *Sample solution* (mg)

$P$  = potency of USP Piperacillin RS (mg/mg)

$D$  = dilution factor of the *Sample solution*

$F$  = relative response factor (see *Impurity Table 1*)

#### Acceptance criteria

**Individual impurities:** See *Impurity Table 1*.

**Total impurities:** NMT 5.0%. [NOTE—Total impurities does not include piperacillin related compound A.]

**Impurity Table 1**

Name	Relative Retention Time	Relative Response Factor <sup>a</sup>	Acceptance Criteria, NMT (%) <sup>a</sup>
Tazobactam related compound A <sup>b</sup>	0.12	0.75	1.0
Tazobactam	0.25	—	—
Piperacillin impurity 4 <sup>c</sup>	0.31	1.0	1.0
Piperacillin impurity 1 <sup>d,e</sup>	0.36	1.0	1.0
Piperacillin related compound A <sup>e,f</sup>	0.51	0.56	5.0
Piperacillin related compound C <sup>g</sup>	0.55	1.0	1.0
Piperacillin impurity 5 <sup>c</sup>	0.62	1.0	1.0
Piperacillin impurity 6 <sup>c</sup>	0.67	1.0	1.0
Piperacillin	1.0	—	—
Any individual unspecified impurity	—	1.0	1.0

<sup>a</sup> Calculated relative to the peak area of piperacillin.

<sup>b</sup> (2S,3S)-2-Amino-3-methyl-3-sulfinyl-4-(1H-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)butyric acid.

<sup>c</sup> Specified unidentified impurities.

<sup>d</sup> (4S)-2-[(2-(4-Ethyl-2,3-dioxopiperazine-1-carboxamido)-2-phenylacetamido)methyl]-5,5-dimethylthiazolidine-4-carboxylic acid.

<sup>e</sup> This compound has two epimers that usually co-elute but that may be separated as a result of minor changes in the chromatographic conditions.

<sup>f</sup> (2R,4S)-2-[(1R)-Carboxy[2-(4-ethyl-2,3-dioxopiperazine-1-carboxamido)-2-phenylacetamido)methyl]-5,5-dimethylthiazolidine-4-carboxylic acid.

<sup>g</sup> (2R,4S)-3-Acetyl-2-[(1R)-carboxy[2-(4-ethyl-2,3-dioxopiperazine-1-carboxamido)-2-phenylacetamido)methyl]-5,5-dimethylthiazolidine-4-carboxylic acid.

#### SPECIFIC TESTS

- BACTERIAL ENDOTOXINS TEST** <85>: It contains NMT 0.08 USP Endotoxin Unit in a portion equivalent to 1 mg of a mixture of piperacillin and tazobactam (0.89 and 0.11 mg, respectively).
- STERILITY TESTS** <71>: Meets the requirements
- PARTICULATE MATTER IN INJECTIONS** <788>: Meets the requirements
- PH** <791>: 5.0–7.0, in a solution containing the equivalent of 40 mg/mL of piperacillin
- WATER DETERMINATION, Method I** <921>: NMT 2.5%
- OTHER REQUIREMENTS:** It meets the requirements under *Injections* <1>.

#### ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- PACKAGING AND STORAGE:** Preserve as described in *Containers for Sterile Solids* under *Injections* <1>, *Packaging*. Store at controlled room temperature.

- **LABELING:** Label it to indicate its sodium content.
- **USP REFERENCE STANDARDS** (11)—
  - USP Endotoxin RS
  - USP Piperacillin RS
  - USP Tazobactam RS
  - USP Tazobactam Related Compound A RS
  - (2*S*,3*S*)-2-Amino-3-methyl-3-sulfinyl-4-(1*H*-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)butyric acid.
  - C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>12</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>4</sub>S 248.26

## Piperazine



C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>10</sub>N<sub>2</sub> 86.14  
 Piperazine.  
 Piperazine [110-85-0].

» Piperazine contains not less than 98.0 percent and not more than 101.0 percent of C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>10</sub>N<sub>2</sub>, calculated on the anhydrous basis.

**Packaging and storage**—Preserve in tight containers, protected from light.

**USP Reference standards** (11)—  
 USP Piperazine RS

**Color of solution**—Dissolve 10.0 g in water, and dilute with water to 50.0 mL: the solution has no more color than a standard solution prepared by adding 2.0 mL of ferric chloride CS to water and diluting with water to 50.0 mL, when compared in matched color-comparison tubes.

### Identification—

**A:** *Infrared Absorption* (197M).

**B:** In the test for *Chromatographic purity*, the principal spot in the chromatogram of *Test solution 2*, observed after spraying with the ninhydrin solutions, corresponds in *R<sub>f</sub>* value, color, and size to that in the chromatogram of *Standard solution 1*.

**Melting range** (741): between 109° and 113°.

**Water, Method I** (921): not more than 2.0%.

### Chromatographic purity—

**Solvent**—Prepare a mixture of 13.5 N ammonium hydroxide and dehydrated alcohol (3:2).

**Standard solution 1**—Prepare a solution of USP Piperazine RS in *Solvent* containing 10 mg per mL.

**Standard solution 2**—Prepare a solution of ethylenediamine in *Solvent* containing 0.25 mg per mL.

**Standard solution 3**—Prepare a solution of triethylenediamine in *Solvent* containing 0.25 mg per mL.

**Resolution solution**—Prepare a solution in *Solvent* containing 0.25 mg of triethylenediamine and 10 mg of USP Piperazine RS per mL.

**Test solution 1**—Prepare a solution of Piperazine in *Solvent* containing 100 mg per mL.

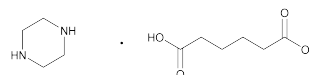
**Test solution 2**—Mix 1 mL of *Test solution 1* and 9 mL of *Solvent*.

**Procedure**—Apply separate 5-μL portions of *Standard solution 1*, *Standard solution 2*, *Standard solution 3*, *Resolution solution*, *Test solution 1*, and *Test solution 2* to a suitable thin-layer chromatographic plate (see *Chromatography* (621)), coated with a 0.25-mm layer of chromatographic silica gel. Allow the spots to dry, and develop the chromatograms in a solvent system consisting of a freshly prepared mixture of acetone and 13.5 N ammonium hydroxide (80:20) until the solvent front has moved about three-fourths of the length of the plate. Remove the plate from the developing chamber, mark the solvent front, and dry the plate at 105°. Spray the plate with a 0.3% (w/v) solution of

ninhydrin in a mixture of butyl alcohol and glacial acetic acid (100:3). Spray the plate again with a 0.15% (w/v) solution of ninhydrin in dehydrated alcohol, dry the plate at 105° for 10 minutes, and examine the plate: any secondary spot in the chromatogram obtained from *Test solution 1* is not more intense than the principal spot in the chromatogram obtained from *Standard solution 2* (0.25%). Spray the plate with 0.1 N iodine TS, allow to stand for 10 minutes, and examine the plate: any spot corresponding to triethylenediamine in the chromatogram obtained from *Test solution 1* is not more intense than the principal spot in the chromatogram obtained from *Standard solution 3* (0.25%). In a valid test, the chromatogram obtained from the *Resolution solution* shows a spot due to triethylenediamine clearly separated from the principal spot. Disregard any spot at the origin of any chromatogram.

**Assay**—Weigh accurately about 150 mg of Piperazine, and dissolve in 75 mL of glacial acetic acid. Titrate potentiometrically with 0.1 N perchloric acid VS, using a silver-glass electrode system. As the endpoint is approached, warm the solution to 60° to 70°, then complete the titration. Perform a blank determination, and make any necessary correction. Each mL of 0.1 N perchloric acid is equivalent to 4.307 mg of C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>10</sub>N<sub>2</sub>.

## Piperazine Adipate



C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>10</sub>N<sub>2</sub> · C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>10</sub>O<sub>4</sub> 232.3  
 Piperazine, compound with 1,4-butanediocarboxylic acid (1:1).  
 Piperazine, compound with hexanedioic acid (1:1) [142-88-1].

» Piperazine Adipate contains not less than 98.0 percent and not more than 101.0 percent of C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>10</sub>N<sub>2</sub> · C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>10</sub>O<sub>4</sub>, calculated on the anhydrous basis.

**Packaging and storage**—Preserve in well-closed containers, and store at room temperature.

**Labeling**—Label it to indicate that it is for veterinary use only.

**USP Reference standards** (11)—  
 USP Piperazine Adipate RS

### Identification—

**A:** *Infrared Absorption* (197K).

**B:** In the test for *Chromatographic purity*, the principal spot in the chromatogram obtained from *Test solution 2* observed after spraying with the ninhydrin solutions corresponds in *R<sub>f</sub>* value, color, and size to that in the chromatogram obtained from *Standard solution 1*.

**C:** To 10 mL of a 1 in 20 solution of it add 5 mL of hydrochloric acid, and extract with three 10-mL portions of ether. Evaporate the combined ether extracts to dryness, wash the residue with water, and dry at 105°: the residue of adipic acid so obtained melts at between 150° and 154°.

**Water, Method I** (921): not more than 0.5%.

**Residue on ignition** (281): not more than 0.1%.

### Chromatographic purity—

**Solvent**—Prepare a mixture of 13.5 N ammonium hydroxide and dehydrated alcohol (3:2).

**Test solution 1**—Prepare a solution of Piperazine Adipate in *Solvent* containing 100 mg per mL.

**Test solution 2**—Mix 1 mL of *Test solution 1* and 9 mL of *Solvent*.

**Standard solution 1**—Prepare a solution of USP Piperazine Adipate RS in *Solvent* containing 10 mg per mL.