C_{S} = concentration of USP Alpha Tocopherol RS in

the Standard solution (mg/mL) = nominal concentration of Vitamin E as d- or dl- C_U alpha tocopherol in the Sample solution $(\dot{m}q/mL)$

Acceptance criteria: 95.0%-120.0% of the labeled amount of Vitamin E as d- or dl-alpha tocopherol (C29H50O2)*▲USP*36

• ALPHA TOCOPHERYL ACETATE: Proceed as directed in the Assay for Alpha Tocopherol. For the Standard solution and Sample solution, substitute alpha tocopheryl acetate for alpha tocopherol, and substitute USP Alpha Tocopheryl Acetate RS for USP Alpha Tocopherol RS. Acceptance criteria: 95.0%-120.0%

Change to read:

ALPHA TOCOPHERYL ACID SUCCINATE

▲Internal standard solution, System suitability solution, Chromatographic system, System suitability, and Analysis: Proceed as directed in the Assay for Alpha Tocopherol.

Standard solution: Transfer 30.0 mg of USP Alpha Tocopheryl Acid Succinate RS into a 20-mL vial. Add 2.0 mL of methanol, 1.0 mL of 2,2-dimethoxypropane, and 0.1 mL of hydrochloric acid to the vial. Cap tightly, and sonicate. Allow to stand in the dark for $1\ h\pm 5$ min. Remove from the dark, uncap, and evaporate just to dryness on a steam bath with the aid of a stream of nitrogen. Add 3.0 mL of Internal standard solution, and mix on a vortex mixer to dissolve.

Sample solution

For the Preparation in liquid form: Transfer a portion of Preparation, equivalent to 30.0 mg of Vitamin E (dor dl-alpha tocopheryl acid succinate), into a 20-mL vial. Add 2.0 mL of methanol, 1.0 mL of 2,2-dimethoxypropane, and 0.1 mL of hydrochloric acid to the vial. Cap tightly, and sonicate. Allow to stand in the dark for 1 h \pm 5 min. Remove from the dark, uncap, and evaporate just to dryness on a steam bath with the aid of a stream of nitrogen. Add 3.0 mL of Internal standard solution, and mix on a vortex mixer to dissolve.

For the Preparation in solid form: Transfer a portion of Preparation, equivalent to 30 mg of Vitamin E (*d*- or dl-alpha tocopheryl acid succinate), into a flask suitable for refluxing. Add 5 mL of water, and heat on a water bath at 60° for 10 min. Add 25 mL of alcohol, and reflux for 30 min. Cool, and transfer to a separator with the aid of 50 mL of water and 50 mL of ether. Shake vigorously, allow the layers to separate, and collect each layer in individual separators. Extract the aqueous layer with two 25-mL portions of ether, combining the extracts with the original ether layer. Wash the combined extract with one 25-mL portion of water, filter the ether solutions through 1 g of anhydrous sodium sulfate, and with the aid of a stream of nitrogen evaporate the ether solution on a water bath, controlled at a temperature that will not cause the ether solution to boil over. Remove the container from the water bath when 5 mL remains. Quantitatively transfer the remains into a 20-mL vial, and complete the evaporation without the application of heat. Add 2.0 mL of methanol, 1.0 mL of 2,2- dimethoxypropane, and 0.1 mL of hydrochloric acid to the vial.

Cap tightly, and sonicate. Allow to stand in the dark for 1 h \pm 5 min. Remove from the dark, uncap, and evaporate just to dryness on a steam bath with the aid of a stream of nitrogen. Add 3.0 mL of Internal standard solution, and mix on a vortex mixer to dissolve.

Acceptance criteria: 95.0%-120.0%

SPECIFIC TESTS

ACIDITY (for liquid forms of Vitamin E Preparation) Diluent: Alcohol and ether (1:1), neutralized to phenolphthalein with 0.1 N sodium hydroxide

Sample solution: Dissolve 1 q of Preparation in 25 mL

of Diluent.

Analysis: To 25 mL of the Sample solution, add 0.5 mL of phenolphthalein TS, and titrate with 0.10 N sodium hydroxide until the solution remains faintly pink after shaking for 30 s.

Acceptance criteria: NMT 1.0 mL of 0.10 N sodium hydroxide is required.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

PACKAGING AND STORAGE: Preserve in tight containers, protected from light. Protect Preparation containing d- or dl-alpha tocopherol with a blanket of inert gas.

• LABELING: Label it to indicate the chemical form of Vitamin E present, and to indicate whether the d- or the dlform is present, excluding any different forms that may be introduced as a minor constituent of the vehicle. Designate the quantity of Vitamin E present.

USP REFERENCE STANDARDS (11)

USP Alpha Tocopherol RS

USP Alpha Tocopheryl Acetate RS USP Alpha Tocopheryl Acid Succinate RS

Voriconazole

 $C_{16}H_{14}F_3N_5O$ 349.31

4-Pyrimidineethanol, α -(2,4-difluorophenyl)-5-fluoro- β -methyl- α -(1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-ylmethyl)-, (αR , βS)-; (αR , βS)- α -(2,4-Difluorophenyl)-5-fluoro- β -methyl- α -(1H-1,2, 4-triazol-1-ylmethyl)-4-pyrimidineethanol [137234-62-9].

DEFINITION

Voriconazole contains NLT 97.5% and NMT 102.0% of Voriconazole (C₁₆H₁₄F₃N₅O), calculated on the anhydrous and solvent-free basis.

IDENTIFICATION

• A. Infrared Absorption (197K)

• **B**. The retention time of the major peak of the *Sample* solution corresponds to that of System suitability solution A, as obtained in the test for Voriconazole Related Compound B.

ASSAY

PROCEDURE

Buffer: 1.9 g/L of ammonium formate in water. Adjust with formic acid to a pH of 4.0. **Mobile phase:** Acetonitrile, methanol, and *Buffer* (15:30:55)

Standard solution: 25 µg/mL of USP Voriconazole RS in Mobile phase. [NOTE—Sonicate to dissolve, if necessary.] Sample solution: 25 µg/mL of Voriconazole in Mobile phase. [NOTE—Sonicate to dissolve, if necessary.]

Chromatographic system

(See Chromatography (621), System Suitability.)

Mode: LC

Detector: UV 256 nm

Column: 3.9-mm × 15-cm; 4-µm packing L1

Column temperature: 35° Flow rate: 1 mL/min Injection size: 20 µL System suitability

Sample: Standard solution Suitability requirements

Tailing factor: NMT 2.0
Column efficiency: NLT 3500 theoretical plates
Relative standard deviation: NMT 1.0%

Analysis

Samples: Standard solution and Sample solution Calculate the percentage of voriconazole ($C_{16}H_{14}F_3N_5O$) in the portion of Voriconazole taken:

Result =
$$(r_U/r_S) \times (C_S/C_U) \times 100$$

= peak response from the Sample solution r_U peak response from the *Standard solution*concentration of USP Voriconazole RS in the **r**s **C**s Standard solution (µg/mL)

= concentration of voriconazole in the Sample

solution (µg/mL)
Acceptance criteria: 97.5%–102.0% on the anhydrous and solvent-free basis

IMPURITIES

 C_U

- HEAVY METALS, Method II (231): NMT 10 ppm Residue on Ignition (281): NMT 0.1%
- VORICONAZOLE RELATED COMPOUNDS C AND D

Mobile phase and Chromatographic system: Proceed as directed in the Assay.

System suitability solution: 0.25 µg/mL of USP Voriconazole RS

Standard solution: 2.5 µg/mL each of USP Voriconazole RS, USP Voriconazole Related Compound C RS, and USP Voriconazole Related Compound D RS in Mobile phase. [NOTE—Sonicate to dissolve, if necessary.]

Sample solution: 500 μg/mL of Voriconazole in *Mobile phase.* [NOTE—Sonicate to dissolve, if necessary.]

System suitability Samples: System suitability solution and Standard

Suitability requirements

Tailing factor: NMT 2.0 for the voriconazole peak, Standard solution

Column efficiency: NLT 3500 theoretical plates for the voriconazole peak, Standard solution Relative standard deviation: NMT 10.0%, System

suitability solution

Analysis

Samples: Standard solution and Sample solution Calculate the percentage of voriconazole related compound C and voriconazole related compound D in the portion of Voriconazole taken:

Result =
$$(r_U/r_S) \times (C_S/C_U) \times 100$$

= peak response of voriconazole related r_U compound C or voriconazole related compound D from the Sample solution

 r_{s} = peak response of voriconazole related compound C or voriconazole related compound D from the Standard solution

= concentration of USP Voriconazole Related C_{S} Compound C RS or USP Voriconazole Related Compound D RS in the Standard solution (µg/mL)

= concentration of voriconazole in the Sample C_U solution (µg/mL)

Calculate the percentage of any unspecified impurity in the portion of Voriconazole taken:

Result =
$$(r_U/r_S) \times (C_S/C_U) \times 100$$

= peak response of any individual impurity from r_U the Sample solution

= peak response of voriconazole from the Standard solution rs

concentration of USP Voriconazole RS in the C_{S} Standard solution (µg/mL)

concentration of voriconazole in the Sample C_U solution (μg/mL)

Acceptance criteria: See Table 1.

Table 1

Name	Relative Retention Time	Acceptance Criteria, NMT (%)
Voriconazole related compound Ca	0.26	0.2
Voriconazole related compound D ^b	0.61	0.1
Voriconazole	1.0	_
Any unspecified impuri- ty ^c	_	0.1
Total impuritiesd	_	0.5

^a 1-(2,4-Difluorophenyl)-2-(1*H*-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl)ethanone.

• VORICONAZOLE RELATED COMPOUND F

Sodium hydroxide solution: 470 g/L of sodium hydroxide in water

Mobile phase: Methanol, water, and *Sodium hydroxide* solution (500: 1500: 0.175). [NOTE—Minimize the carbonate formation in the *Mobile phase* by degassing

methanol and water before mixing.]

Suppressant solution: 12 mM of sulfuric acid in water Chloride stock solution: 85 μg/mL of sodium chloride in water

Standard stock solution: 250 µg/mL of USP Voriconazole Related Compound F RS. Dissolve in 50% of the final volume with methanol, and dilute with Mobile phase to volume.

Standard solution: 5 μg/mL of USP Voriconazole Related Compound F RS from the *Standard stock solution* in a mixture of methanol and Mobile phase (50:50)

System suitability solution A: 5 µg/mL of USP Voriconazole Related Compound F RS from the Standard stock solution and 1.7 µg/mL of USP Sodium Chloride RS in a mixture of methanol and Mobile phase (50:50)

System suitability solution B: 2.5 μg/mL of USP Voriconazole Related Compound F RS from the Standard solution in Mobile phase

Sample solution: 5 mg/mL of Voriconazole. Dissolve in 50% of the final volume with methanol, and dilute with Mobile phase to volume.

Chromatographic system

(See Chromatography (621), System Suitability.)

Mode: Ion chromatography/LC

Detector: Conductivity with anion suppressor Column: 4-mm \times 5-cm guard column and 4-mm \times 25-cm analytical column; both packing L46

b (2RS,3SR)-2-(2,4-Difluorophenyl)-3-(pyrimidin-4-yl)-1-(1H-1,2,4-triazol-1yl)buťan-2-ol.

Disregard peaks less than 0.05%.

d Include voriconazole related compound B and voriconazole related com-

Column temperature: 40°

Flow rate: 1 mL/min Flow rate (for anion suppressor): 2 mL/min

Injection size: 20 µL System suitability

Samples: System suitability solution A and System suitability solution B

[NOTE—The relative retention times for acetate ion (for information only), voriconazole related compound F, and chloride ion are 0.47, 1.0, and 1.5, respectively.]

Suitability requirements

Resolution: NLT 3.5 between the voriconazole related compound F and chloride peaks, *System suitability so*lution A

Tailing factor: NMT 2.0, System suitability solution B Relative standard deviation: NMT 10.0%, System suitability solution B

Analysis

Samples: Standard solution and Sample solution Calculate the percentage of voriconazole related compound F in the portion of Voriconazole taken:

Result =
$$(r_U/r_S) \times (C_S/C_U) \times 100$$

rU = peak response of voriconazole related compound F from the Sample solution

peak response of voriconazole related **r**s compound F from the Standard solution

= concentration of USP Voriconazole Related C_S Compound F RS in the Standard solution $(\mu g/mL)$ C_U

= concentration of voriconazole in the Sample solution (μg/mL)

Acceptance criteria: NMT 0.1% VORICONAZOLE RELATED COMPOUND B

Initially dissolve the Standard and sample materials in 4% of the final volume of acetonitrile.

Buffer: 0.8 g/L of ammonium acetate. Adjust with glacial acetic acid to a pH of 5.0.

Mobile phase: Acetonitrile and Buffer (18:82)

System suitability solution A: 500 μg/mL of USP Voriconazole RS and 2.5 μg/mL of USP Voriconazole Related Compound B in Mobile phase.

System suitability solution B: 0.25 µg/mL of USP Voriconazole Related Compound B RS in *Mobile phase*Standard solution: 2.5 µg/mL of USP Voriconazole Related Compound B RS in *Mobile phase*

Sample solution: 500 µg/mL of Voriconazole in Mobile

Chromatographic system

(See Chromatography (621), System Suitability.)

Mode: LC

Detector: UV 256 nm

Column: 4.6-mm × 25-cm; 5-µm packing L45

Column temperature: 30° Flow rate: 1 mL/min Injection size: 20 µL System suitability

Samples: System suitability solution A and System suita-

bility solution B

[NOTE—The relative retention times for voriconazole and voriconazole related compound B are 1.0 and 1.4, respectively.]

Suitability requirements

Resolution: NLT 4.0 between the voriconazole and voriconazole related compound B peaks, System suitability solution A

Tailing factor: NMT 2.0 for the voriconazole related compound B peak, System suitability solution A Relative standard deviation: NMT 10.0%, System suitability solution B

Analysis

Samples: Standard solution and Sample solution Calculate the percentage of voriconazole related compound B in the portion of Voriconazole taken:

Result =
$$(r_U/r_S) \times (C_S/C_U) \times 100$$

= peak response of voriconazole related r_U compound B from the Sample solution

= peak response of voriconazole related $r_{\scriptscriptstyle S}$ compound B from the Standard solution

= concentration of USP Voriconazole Related C_{S} Compound B RS in the Standard solution $(\mu g/\dot{m}L)$

= concentration of voriconazole in the Sample C_U solution (μg/mL)

Acceptance criteria: NMT 0.2%

SPECIFIC TESTS

- **BACTERIAL ENDOTOXINS TEST (85):** Where the label states that Voriconazole is sterile or that it must be subjected to further processing during the preparation of injectable dosage forms, it contains NMT 0.2 USP Endotoxin Units/mg of voriconazole.
- STERILITY TESTS (71): Where the label states that Voriconazole is sterile, it meets the requirements. **WATER DETERMINATION,** Method I (921): NMT 0.4%

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- PACKAGING AND STORAGE: Preserve in well-closed containers, and store at room temperature.
- **LABELING:** Where it is intended for use in preparing injectable dosage forms, the label states that it is sterile or must be subjected to further processing during the preparation of injectable dosage forms.

USP Reference Standards (11)

USP Endotoxin RS USP Voriconazole RS

USP Voriconazole Related Compound B RS

(2S,3R)-2-(2,4-Difluorophenyl)-3-(5-fluoropyrimidin-4-yl)-1-(1*H*-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl)butàn-2-ol. ₁₆H₁₄F₃N₅O 349.31

 $C_{16}H_{14}F_3N_5O$

USP Voriconazole Related Compound C RS

1-(2,4-Difluorophenyl)-2-(1*H*-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl)ethanone. C₁₀H₇N₃OF₂ 223.18 USP Voriconazole Related Compound D RS

(2RS,3SR)-2-(2,4-Difluorophenyl)-3-(pyrimidin-4-yl)-1-(1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl)butan-2-ol. $C_{16}H_{15}F_2N_5O$ 331.32

USP Voriconazole Related Compound F RS {(1*RS*,4*SR*)-7,7-Dimethyl-2-oxobicyclo[2.2.1]hept-

1-yl}methanesulfonic acid.

 $C_{10}H_{16}O_4S$ 232.30

Warfarin Sodium

C₁₉H₁₅NaO₄ 330.31

2H-1-Benzopyran-2-one, 4-hydroxy-3-(3-oxo-1-phenylbutyl)-, sodium salt.

3-(α-Acetonylbenzyl)-4-hydroxycoumarin sodium salt [129-06-6].

» Warfarin Sodium is an amorphous solid or a crystalline clathrate. The clathrate form consists principally of warfarin sodium and isopropyl alcohol, in a 2:1 molecular ratio; it contains not less than 8.0 percent and not more than 8.5 percent of isopropyl alcohol. Warfarin Sodium contains not less than 97.0 percent and not more than 102.0 percent of C₁₉H₁₅NaO₄, calculated on the anhydrous basis for the amorphous form or on the anhydrous and isopropyl alcohol-free basis for the crystalline form.

Packaging and storage—Preserve in well-closed, light-resistant containers.

Labeling—Label it to indicate whether it is the amorphous or the crystalline form.

USP Reference standards (11)—

USP Warfarin RS

USP Warfarin Related Compound A RS

3-(o-Hydroxyphenyl)-5-phenyl-2-cyclohexen-1-one. $C_{18}H_{16}O_2$ 264.33

Identification—

A: Infrared Absorption (197K)—

Standard specimen—Use USP Warfarin RS.

Test specimen—Dissolve about 100 mg in 25 mL of water, and adjust with hydrochloric acid to a pH of less than 3, using short-range pH indicator paper. Stir the mixture, and allow the precipitate to coagulate. Filter the mixture, and retain the filtrate for *Identification* test C. Wash the precipitate with four 5-mL portions of water, and dry in vacuum over phosphorus pentoxide for 4 hours. Use the warfarin obtained to prepare the *Test specimen*.

B: The retention time of the major peak in the chromatogram of the *Assay preparation* corresponds to that of the *Standard preparation*, as obtained in the *Assay*.

C: The filtrate obtained in *Identification* test A meets the requirements of the flame test for *Sodium* $\langle 191 \rangle$.

pH $\langle 791 \rangle$: between 7.2 and 8.3, in a solution (1 in 100). **Water**, *Method I* $\langle 921 \rangle$: not more than 4.5% for the amorphous form; not more than 0.3% for the crystalline clathrate form.

Heavy metals (231)—Dissolve 4.0 g in 45 mL of water, add 5 mL of glacial acetic acid, stir until the precipitate agglomerates, filter, and use 25 mL of the filtrate, employing glacial acetic acid, if necessary, to make the pH adjustment: the limit is 0.001%.

Absorbance in alkaline solution—Dissolve 1.25 g, accurately weighed, in 10 mL of sodium hydroxide solution (1 in 20), filter through a membrane filter, and within 15 minutes determine the absorbance of the solution in a 1-cm cell at 385 nm, with a suitable spectrophotometer, using sodium hydroxide solution (1 in 20) as the blank: the absorbance does not exceed 0.1.

Chromatographic purity—

Solvent mixture—Prepare a mixture of water and methanol (75:25).

Mobile phase—Prepare a filtered and degassed mixture of water, acetonitrile, and glacial acetic acid (68:32:1). Make adjustments if necessary (see *System Suitability* under *Chromatography* (621)).

Standard solution—Transfer an accurately weighed quantity of about 24 mg of USP Warfarin RS and 24 mg of USP Warfarin Related Compound A RS to a 200-mL volumetric flask, add 4.0 mL of 0.1 N sodium hydroxide, 50 mL of methanol, and dissolve. Dilute with water to volume, and mix. Transfer 10.0 mL of this solution to a 200-mL volumetric flask, dilute with Solvent mixture to volume, and mix. Transfer 20.0 mL of this solution to a 50-mL volumetric flask, dilute with Solvent mixture to volume, and mix.

Test solution—Transfer an accurately weighed quantity of about 80 mg of Warfarin Sodium to a 100-mL volumetric flask, dissolve in and dilute with Solvent mixture to volume, and mix.

Chromatographic system (see Chromatography (621))—The liquid chromatograph is equipped with a 260-nm detector and a 4.6-mm × 25-cm column that contains packing L10. The flow rate is about 1.5 mL per minute. Chromatograph the Standard solution, and record the chromatogram as directed for Procedure: the resolution, R, between warfarin and warfarin related compound A is not less than 3; and the relative standard deviation for replicate injections is not more than 5.0%.

Procedure—Separately inject equal volumes (about 50 μ L) of the Standard solution and the Test solution into the chromatograph, record the chromatograms, and measure the responses for all of the peaks. The relative retention times of warfarin and warfarin related compound A are 1.0 and about 1.2, respectively. Calculate the percentage of each impurity in the portion of Warfarin Sodium taken by the formula:

$10,000(C/M)(r_i/r_s)$

in which C is the concentration, in mg per mL, of warfarin sodium in the *Standard solution; M* is the quantity, in mg, of warfarin sodium taken to prepare the *Test solution; r_i* is the peak response of the individual impurity; and r_s is the peak response due to warfarin in the *Standard solution:* not more than 0.3% of any individual impurity and not more than 1.0% of total impurities is found.

Isopropyl alcohol content (*crystalline clathrate form*)— *Internal standard solution*—Dilute 2 mL of *n*-propyl alcohol with water to 100.0 mL in a volumetric flask.

Standard preparation—Transfer an accurately weighed quantity of about 1.6 g of isopropyl alcohol to a 100-mL volumetric flask, dilute with water to volume, and mix. Transfer 10.0 mL of this solution to a 100-mL volumetric flask, add 10.0 mL of the *Internal standard solution*, dilute with water to volume, and mix to obtain a *Standard preparation* having a known concentration of about 1.6 mg of isopropyl alcohol per mL.

Test preparation—Dissolve an accurately weighed quantity of about 1.85 g of Warfarin Sodium in about 50 mL of water in a 100-mL volumetric flask. Add 10.0 mL of the *Internal standard solution*, dilute with water to volume, and mix.

Chromatographic system (see Chromatography (621))—The gas chromatograph is equipped with a flame-ionization detector and a 4-mm × 1.8-m column packed with 80- to 100-mesh support S2. The temperatures of the column, injector, and the detector are maintained at about 140°, 200°, and 250°, respectively. The carrier gas is nitrogen, flowing at the rate of about 40 mL per minute. The column temperature may be varied so that the following system suitability criteria are met: the resolution, *R*, between *n*-propyl alcohol and isopropyl alcohol is not less than 2.0; the tailing factor,