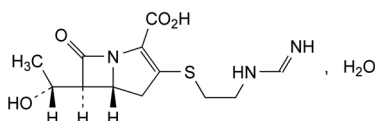




04/2013:1226 *Reference solution (c)*. Dissolve 5 mg of the substance to be examined in 8 mL of a mixture of 1 volume of *dilute sulfuric acid R* and 200 volumes of *water R*. After 5 min, add 10 mg of *sodium carbonate R* and dilute to 10.0 mL with *water R*.

## IMIPENEM MONOHYDRATE

### Imipenemum monohydricum



$C_{12}H_{17}N_3O_4S \cdot H_2O$   
[74431-23-5]

$M_r$  317.4

#### DEFINITION

(5*R*,6*S*)-6-[(*R*)-1-Hydroxyethyl]-3-[[2-[(iminomethyl)amino]ethyl]sulfanyl]-7-oxo-1-azabicyclo[3.2.0]hept-2-ene-2-carboxylic acid monohydrate.

Semi-synthetic product derived from a fermentation product or obtained by any other means.

*Content*: 98.0 per cent to 102.0 per cent (anhydrous substance).

#### CHARACTERS

*Appearance*: white or almost white or pale yellow powder, slightly hygroscopic.

*Solubility*: slightly soluble in water and in methanol.

#### IDENTIFICATION

Infrared absorption spectrophotometry (2.2.24).

*Comparison*: *imipenem CRS*.

#### TESTS

**Appearance of solution.** The solution is not more opalescent than reference suspension II (2.2.1) and not more intensely coloured than intensity 6 of the range of the reference solutions of the most appropriate colour (2.2.2, *Method II*).

Dissolve 0.500 g in *phosphate buffer solution pH 7.0 R3* and dilute to 50 mL with the same solution.

**pH** (2.2.3): 4.5 to 7.5.

Dissolve 0.500 g in *carbon dioxide-free water R* and dilute to 100.0 mL with the same solvent.

**Specific optical rotation** (2.2.7): + 90 to + 95 (anhydrous substance), measured at 25 °C. *Prepare the solutions immediately before use.*

Dissolve 0.125 g in *phosphate buffer solution pH 7.0 R3* and dilute to 25.0 mL with the same solution.

**Related substances.** Liquid chromatography (2.2.29). *Prepare the solutions immediately before use.*

**Buffer solution A.** Dissolve 0.32 g of *anhydrous sodium dihydrogen phosphate R* and 1.04 g of *anhydrous disodium hydrogen phosphate R* in 900 mL of *water R*. Adjust to pH 7.3 with *dilute phosphoric acid R* and dilute to 1000 mL with *water R*.

**Buffer solution B.** Dissolve 0.11 g of *anhydrous disodium hydrogen phosphate R* in 900 mL of *water R*. Adjust to pH 6.8 with *dilute phosphoric acid R* and dilute to 1000 mL with *water R*.

**Solvent mixture:** *acetonitrile R*, buffer solution B (0.7:99.3 V/V).

**Test solution.** Dissolve 25.0 mg of the substance to be examined in the solvent mixture and dilute to 25.0 mL with the solvent mixture.

**Reference solution (a).** Dissolve 25.0 mg of *imipenem CRS* in the solvent mixture and dilute to 25.0 mL with the solvent mixture.

**Reference solution (b).** Dilute 1.0 mL of the test solution to 100.0 mL with the solvent mixture.

#### Column:

- size:  $l = 0.15$  m,  $\varnothing = 4.6$  mm;
- stationary phase: end-capped octadecylsilyl silica gel for chromatography R (3  $\mu$ m);
- temperature: 30 °C.

#### Mobile phase:

- mobile phase A: *acetonitrile R1*, buffer solution A (0.7:99.3 V/V);
- mobile phase B: *acetonitrile R1*, buffer solution A (25:75 V/V);

Time (min)	Mobile phase A (per cent V/V)	Mobile phase B (per cent V/V)
0 - 9	100	0
9 - 24	100 → 68	0 → 32
24 - 24.5	68 → 50	32 → 50
24.5 - 29	50	50

*Flow rate*: 1.0 mL/min.

*Detection*: spectrophotometer at 210 nm.

*Injection*: 10  $\mu$ L of the test solution and reference solutions (b) and (c).

*Identification of impurities*: use the chromatogram obtained with reference solution (c) to identify the peaks due to the epimers of impurity B.

*Relative retention* with reference to imipenem (retention time = about 8 min): epimer I of impurity B = about 0.33; epimer II of impurity B = about 0.35; impurity A = about 0.8.

*System suitability*: reference solution (c):

- peak-to-valley ratio: minimum 2.0, where  $H_p$  = height above the baseline of the peak due to epimer I of impurity B and  $H_v$  = height above the baseline of the lowest point of the curve separating this peak from the peak due to epimer II of impurity B.

*Calculation of percentage contents*:

- for impurity A, multiply the peak area by the correction factor 2.4;
- for each impurity, use the concentration of imipenem in reference solution (b).

*Limits*:

- impurity A: maximum 1.0 per cent;
- impurity B: for each epimer, maximum 0.3 per cent;
- unspecified impurities: for each impurity, maximum 0.10 per cent;
- total: maximum 1.5 per cent;
- reporting threshold: 0.05 per cent.

**Water** (2.5.12): 5.0 per cent to 8.0 per cent, determined on 0.100 g. Use an iodiosulfurous reagent containing imidazole instead of pyridine and a clean container for each determination.

**Sulfated ash** (2.4.14): maximum 0.2 per cent, determined on 1.0 g.

**Bacterial endotoxins** (2.6.14): less than 0.17 IU/mg, if intended for use in the manufacture of parenteral preparations without a further appropriate procedure for removal of bacterial endotoxins.

#### ASSAY

Liquid chromatography (2.2.29) as described in the test for related substances with the following modification.

*Injection*: test solution and reference solution (a).

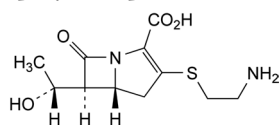
Calculate the percentage content of  $C_{12}H_{17}N_3O_4S$  taking into account the assigned content of *imipenem CRS*.

**STORAGE**

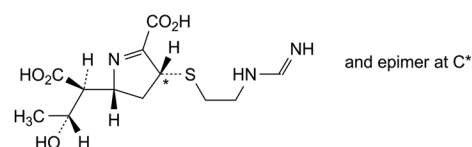
In an airtight container, at a temperature of 2 °C to 8 °C. If the substance is sterile, store in a sterile, airtight, tamper-proof container.

**IMPURITIES**

*Specified impurities: A, B.*



A. (5*R*,6*S*)-3-[[2-aminoethyl]sulfanyl]-6-[(*R*)-1-hydroxyethyl]-7-oxo-1-azabicyclo[3.2.0]hept-2-ene-2-carboxylic acid (thienamycin),



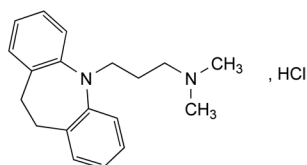
B. (2*R*,4*RS*)-2-[(1*S*,2*R*)-1-carboxy-2-hydroxypropyl]-4-[[2-[(iminomethyl)amino]ethyl]sulfanyl]-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyrrole-5-carboxylic acid (imipenemoic acid).



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**IMIPRAMINE HYDROCHLORIDE**

**Imipramini hydrochloridum**



$C_{19}H_{25}ClN_2$   
[113-52-0]

$M_r$  316.9

**DEFINITION**

3-(10,11-Dihydro-5*H*-dibenzo[*b,f*]azepin-5-yl)-*N,N*-dimethylpropan-1-amine hydrochloride.

*Content:* 98.5 per cent to 101.0 per cent (dried substance).

**CHARACTERS**

*Appearance:* white or slightly yellow, crystalline powder.

*Solubility:* freely soluble in water and in ethanol (96 per cent).

**IDENTIFICATION**

*First identification: B, D.*

*Second identification: A, C, D.*

A. Melting point (2.2.14): 170 °C to 174 °C.

B. Infrared absorption spectrophotometry (2.2.24).

*Comparison: imipramine hydrochloride CRS.*

C. Dissolve about 5 mg in 2 mL of *nitric acid R*. An intense blue colour develops.

D. About 20 mg gives reaction (a) of chlorides (2.3.1).

**TESTS**

**Solution S.** To 3.0 g add 20 mL of *carbon dioxide-free water R*, dissolve rapidly by shaking and triturating with a glass rod and dilute to 30 mL with the same solvent.

**Appearance of solution.** Solution S is clear (2.2.1).

Immediately after preparation, dilute solution S with an equal volume of *water R*. This solution is not more intensely coloured than reference solution BY<sub>6</sub> (2.2.2, *Method II*).

**pH** (2.2.3): 3.6 to 5.0 for solution S, measured immediately after preparation.

**Related substances.** Liquid chromatography (2.2.29).

*Test solution.* Dissolve 50.0 mg of the substance to be examined in the mobile phase and dilute to 50.0 mL with the mobile phase.

*Reference solution (a).* Dissolve 5.0 mg of *imipramine for system suitability CRS* (containing impurity B) in the mobile phase and dilute to 5.0 mL with the mobile phase.

*Reference solution (b).* Dilute 1.0 mL of the test solution to 100.0 mL with the mobile phase. Dilute 1.0 mL of this solution to 10.0 mL with the mobile phase.

**Column:**

- size:  $l = 0.15$  m,  $\varnothing = 4.6$  mm;

- stationary phase: end-capped polar-embedded octadecylsilyl amorphous organosilica polymer R (5  $\mu$ m);

- temperature: 40 °C.

*Mobile phase:* mix 40 volumes of *acetonitrile R1* with 60 volumes of a 5.2 g/L solution of *dipotassium hydrogen phosphate R* previously adjusted to pH 7.0 with *phosphoric acid R*.

*Flow rate:* 1.0 mL/min.

*Detection:* spectrophotometer at 220 nm.

*Injection:* 10  $\mu$ L.

*Run time:* 2.5 times the retention time of imipramine.

*Relative retention* with reference to imipramine (retention time = about 7 min): impurity B = about 0.7.

*System suitability:* reference solution (a):

- resolution: minimum 5.0 between the peaks due to impurity B and imipramine.

**Limits:**

- *impurity B:* not more than the area of the corresponding peak in the chromatogram obtained with reference solution (a) (0.1 per cent);

- *unspecified impurities:* for each impurity, not more than the area of the peak due to imipramine in the chromatogram obtained with reference solution (b) (0.10 per cent);

- *total:* not more than 3 times the area of the peak due to imipramine in the chromatogram obtained with reference solution (b) (0.3 per cent);

- *disregard limit:* 0.5 times the area of the peak due to imipramine in the chromatogram obtained with reference solution (b) (0.05 per cent).

**Loss on drying** (2.2.32): maximum 0.5 per cent, determined on 1.000 g by drying in an oven at 105 °C.

**Sulfated ash** (2.4.14): maximum 0.1 per cent, determined on 1.0 g.

**ASSAY**

Dissolve 0.250 g in 50 mL of *ethanol (96 per cent) R* and add 5.0 mL of 0.01 *M hydrochloric acid*. Carry out a potentiometric titration (2.2.20), using 0.1 *M sodium hydroxide*. Read the volume added between the 2 points of inflexion.

1 mL of 0.1 *M sodium hydroxide* is equivalent to 31.69 mg of  $C_{19}H_{25}ClN_2$ .

**STORAGE**

Protected from light.

**IMPURITIES**

*Specified impurities: B.*