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Bepotastine Besilate

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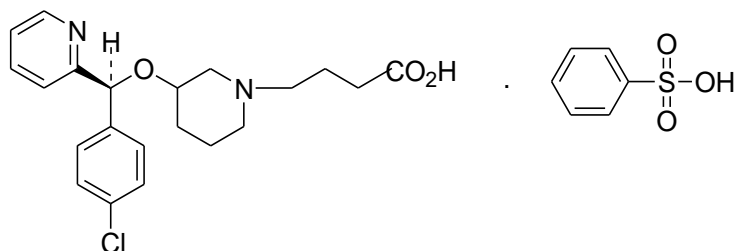
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$C_{21}H_{25}ClN_2O_3 \cdot C_6H_6O_3S$

Mol. Wt. 547.1

Bepotastine Besilate is (S)-4-{4-[(4-Chlorophenyl)(pyridin-2-yl)methoxy]piperidin-1-yl}butanoic acid mono benzenesulfonate.

Bepotastine Besilate contains not less than 99.0 per cent and not more than 101.0 per cent of $C_{21}H_{25}ClN_2O_3 \cdot C_6H_6O_3S$, calculated on the anhydrous basis.

Category. Antihistaminic.

Description. A white to pale yellowish -white, crystals or crystalline powder.

Identification

A. Determine by infrared absorption spectrophotometry (2.4.6). Compare the spectrum with that obtained with *bepotastine besilate* IPRS or with the reference spectrum of bepotastine besilate.

B. Mix 30 mg of the substance under examination with 0.1 g of *sodium nitrate*, 0.1 g of *anhydrous sodium carbonate* and gradually ignite. After cooling, dissolve the residue in 2 ml of *dilute hydrochloric acid*, 10 ml of *water*, filter if necessary and add *barium chloride solution*; a white precipitate is produced.

Tests

pH(2.4.24). 3.7 to 3.9, determined in a 1.0 per cent w/v solution.

Enantiomer. Determine by liquid chromatography (2.4.14).

Test solution. Dissolve 20 mg of the substance under examination in the mobile phase and dilute to 100.0 ml with the mobile phase.

Reference solution. A 0.0001 per cent w/v solution of *bepotastine besilate* IPRS in the mobile phase.

Chromatographic system

- a stainless steel column 15 cm × 6 mm, packed with beta-cyclodextrin bonded to porous silica (5 μm) (Such as ChiraDex®),
- column temperature: 40°,
- mobile phase: a mixture of 75 volumes of 0.02 M *potassium dihydrogen phosphate*, adjusted to pH 3.0 and 25 volumes of *acetonitrile*,
- flow rate: 1 ml per minute, [NOTE – Flow rate may be adjusted so that the retention time of bepotastine is about 17 minutes],
- spectrophotometer set at 225 nm,
- injection volume: 10 μl.

Inject the reference solution. The test is not valid unless the column efficiency is not less than 3000 theoretical plates, the tailing factor is not less than 0.8 and not more than 1.5 and the relative standard deviation for replicate injections is not more than 5.0 per cent.

Inject the reference solution and the test solution. In the chromatogram obtained with the test solution, the area of any peak corresponding to R-isomer (at relative retention time about 0.9) is not more than the area of the principal peak in the chromatogram obtained with the reference solution (0.5 per cent).

Related substances. Determine by liquid chromatography (2.4.14).

Test solution. Dissolve 40 mg of the substance under examination in the mobile phase and dilute to 100.0 ml with the mobile phase.

Reference solution. A 0.0004 per cent w/v solution of *bepotastine besilate IPRS* in the mobile phase.

Chromatographic system

- a stainless steel column 15 cm × 4.6 mm, packed with octylsilane bonded to porous silica (5 µm),
- column temperature: 40°,
- mobile phase: a 0.1 per cent w/v solution of *1-pentane sulphonic acid sodium salt* in a mixture of 70 volumes of 0.05 M *potassium dihydrogen phosphate*, adjusted to pH 3.0 and 30 volumes of *acetonitrile*,
- flow rate: 1 ml per minute, [NOTE – Flow rate may be adjusted so that the retention time of *bepotastine* is about 6 minutes],
- spectrophotometer set at 220 nm,
- injection volume: 20 µl.

Inject the reference solution. The test is not valid unless the column efficiency is not less than 3000 theoretical plates, the tailing factor is not less than 0.8 and not more than 1.5 and the relative standard deviation for replicate injections is not more than 2.0 per cent.

Inject the reference solution and the test solution. In the chromatogram obtained with the test solution, the area of any peak at relative retention time of about 2.5 to *bepotastine* is not more than the area of the principal peak in the chromatogram obtained with the reference solution (1.0 per cent). the area of any other secondary peak is not more than 0.1 times the area of the principal peak in the chromatogram obtained with the reference solution (0.1 per cent) and the sum of the areas of all the secondary peak-s is not more than the area of the principal peak in the chromatogram obtained with the reference solution (1.0 per cent). Ignore [the peak due to besylate and](#) any peak with an area less than 0.05 times the area of the principal peak in the chromatogram obtained with the reference solution (0.05 per cent).

Heavy metals (2.3.13). 1.0 g complies with limit test for heavy metals, Method B (20 ppm).

Sulphated ash (2.3.18). Not more than 0.1 per cent.

Water (2.3.43). Not more than 0.1 per cent, determined on 0.3 g, [using method 3](#).

Assay. Dissolve 0.8 g of the substance under examination in 60 ml of *glacial acetic acid*. Titrate with 0.1 M *perchloric acid*, determining the end-point potentiometrically (2.4.25). Carry out a blank titration.

1 ml of 0.1 M *perchloric acid* is equivalent to 0.05471 g of $C_{21}H_{25}ClN_2O_3 \cdot C_6H_6O_3S$.

Storage. Store protected from moisture, at a temperature not exceeding 30°.

Solubility.

Bepotastine Besilate. *Very soluble in acetic acid. Sparingly soluble in water and ethanol (95 per cent).*