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Galantamine Tablets

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Galantamine Tablets

Galantamine Tablets contains Galantamine Hydrobromide equivalent to not less than 90.0 per cent and not more than 110.0 per cent of stated amount of galantamine, $C_{17}H_{21}NO_3$.

Usual strengths. 4 mg; 8 mg; 12 mg.

Identification

In the Assay, the principal peak in the chromatogram obtained with the test solution corresponds to the peak in the chromatogram obtained with reference solution (a).

Tests

Dissolution (2.5.2).

Apparatus No. 2 (Paddle),
Medium. 500 ml of *water*,
Speed and time. 50 rpm and 20 minutes.

Withdraw a suitable volume of the medium and filter.

Determine by liquid chromatography (2.4.14).

Test solution. Use the filtrate, dilute if necessary, with the dissolution medium.

Reference solution. A solution of *galantamine hydrobromide IPRS* containing 0.0008 per cent w/v of galantamine in the dissolution medium.

Chromatographic system

- a stainless steel column 25 cm x 4.6 mm, packed with octadecylsilane bonded to porous silica (5 μ m) (Such as ZORBAX Eclipse XDB-C18),
- column temperature: 30°,
- mobile phase: a mixture of 80 volumes of a buffer solution prepared by dissolving 3.45 g of *sodium dihydrogen orthophosphate* in *water*, add 1 ml of *triethylamine* and dilute to 1000 ml with *water*, adjusted to pH 4.5 with *orthophosphoric acid*, 10 volumes of *acetonitrile* and 10 volumes *methanol*,
- flow rate: 1 ml per minute,
- spectrophotometer set at 230 nm,
- injection volume: 20 μ l.

Inject the reference solution. The test is not valid unless the tailing factor is not more than 2.0 and relative standard deviation for replicate injections is not more than 2.0 per cent.

Inject the reference solution and the test solution

Calculate the content of $C_{17}H_{21}NO_3$ in the medium

Q. Not less than 80 per cent of the stated amount of $C_{17}H_{21}NO_3$.

Related substances. Determine by liquid chromatography (2.4.14).

Solvent mixture. Dissolve 35.4 g of *disodium edetate* in 950 volumes of *water* and add 50 volumes of *methanol*. [NOTE- First dissolve in *water* and then add *methanol*].

Test solution. Weigh and powder 20 tablets. Disperse a quantity of the powder containing 48 mg of Galantamine in the solvent mixture with the aid of ultrasound and dilute to 100.0 ml with the solvent mixture, filter.

Reference solution (a). A solution of *galantamine hydrobromide IPRS* containing 0.048 per cent w/v of galantamine in the solvent mixture.

Reference solution (b). A 0.06 per cent w/v solution of galantamine hydrobromide related compound mixture IPRS in the solvent mixture.

Reference solution (c). Dilute 1.0 ml of reference solution (a) to 100.0 ml with solvent mixture. Further dilute 1.0 ml of the solution to 10.0 ml with solvent mixture.

Chromatographic system

- a stainless steel column 10 cm x 4.6 mm, packed with octadecylsilane bonded to porous silica (3 µm) (Such as YMC-Pack Pro C18),
- column temperature: 35°,
- mobile phase: A. a mixture of 95 volumes of a buffer solution prepared by dissolving 5.34 g of disodium hydrogen phosphate dihydrate in 1000 ml of water, adjusted to pH 6.5 with orthophosphoric acid and 5 volumes of methanol,
B. a mixture of 95 volumes of acetonitrile and 5 volumes of methanol,
- a gradient programme using the conditions given below,
- flow rate: 1.5 ml per minute,
- spectrophotometer set at 230 nm,
- injection volume: 20 µl.

Time (in min.)	Mobile phase A (per cent v/v)	Mobile phase B (per cent v/v)
0	100	0
40	75	25
45	60	40
46	40	60
55	40	60
56	100	0
61	100	0

Name	Relative retention time	Correction factor
<i>N</i> -Desmethyl galantamine ¹	0.41	0.91
Galantamine <i>N</i> -oxide ²	0.73	0.91
Dihydrogalantamine ^{3*}	0.86	---
Galantamine hydrobromide	1.0	---
6 <i>S</i> -Galantamine ⁴	1.15	0.91
Anhydrogalantamine ^{5*}	2.09	---

* Process related impurity, included for identification only. Not to be calculated and included in total degradation product.

¹(4*aS*,6*R*,8*aS*)-3-Methoxy-4*a*,5,9,10,11,12-hexahydro-6*H*-benzo[2,3]benzofuro[4,3-*cd*]azepin-6-ol.

²(4*aS*,6*R*,8*aS*)-6-Hydroxy-3-methoxy-11-methyl-4*a*,5,9,10,11,12-hexahydro-6*H*-benzo[2,3]benzofuro[4,3-*cd*]azepine 11-oxide.

³(4*aS*,6*R*,8*aS*)-3-Methoxy-11-methyl-4*a*,5,7,8,9,10,11,12-octahydro-6*H*-benzo[2,3]benzofuro[4,3-*cd*]azepin-6-ol.

⁴(4*aS*,6*S*,8*aS*)-3-Methoxy-11-methyl-4*a*,5,9,10,11,12-hexahydro-6*H*-benzo[2,3]benzofuro[4,3-*cd*]azepin-6-ol.

⁵(4*aS*,8*aS*)-3-Methoxy-11-methyl-9,10,11,12-tetrahydro-4*aH*-benzo[2,3]benzofuro[4,3-*cd*]azepine.

Inject reference solution (a), (b) and (c). The test is not valid unless the resolution between the peaks due to galantamine *N*-oxide and dihydrogalantamine is not less than 1.5 in the chromatogram obtained with reference solution (b), the relative standard deviation for replicate injections is not more than 2.0 per cent in the chromatogram obtained with reference solution (a) and the signal-to-noise ratio of the principal peak is not less than 10 in the chromatogram obtained with reference solution (c).

Inject reference solution (a) and the test solution. In the chromatogram obtained with the test solution, the area of any peak corresponding to *N*-Desmethyl galantamine and 6*S*-Galantamine, each of, is not more than 0.005 times the area of principal peak in the chromatogram obtained with reference solution (a) (0.5 per cent), the area of any peak corresponding to galantamine *N*-oxide is not more than 0.0075 times the area of principal peak in the chromatogram obtained with reference solution (a) (0.75 per cent), the area of any other secondary peak is not more than 0.002 times the area of the principal peak in the chromatogram obtained with reference solution (a) (0.2 per cent) and the sum of the areas of all the secondary peaks is not more than 0.015 times the area of the principal peak in the chromatogram obtained with reference solution (a) (1.5 per cent). Ignore any peak due to bromide and with an area less than 0.001 times the area of the principal peak in the chromatogram obtained with reference solution (a) (0.1 per cent).

Uniformity of dosage unit (2.5.4). Complies with the test stated under Tablets.

Other tests. Comply with the tests stated under Tablets.

Assay. Determine by liquid chromatography (2.4.14) as described under Related substances.

Inject reference solution (a) and (b). The test is not valid unless the resolution between the peaks due to galantamine *N*-oxide and dihydrogalantamine is not less than 1.5 in the chromatogram obtained with reference solution (b) and the relative standard deviation for replicate injections is not more than 1.0 per cent in the chromatogram obtained with reference solution (a).

Inject reference solution (a) and the test solution.

Calculate the content of $C_{17}H_{21}NO_3$ in the tablets.

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

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