

## 1 Chloramphenicol and Colistin Sodium Methanesulfonate Ophthalmic Solution

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3 リウム点眼液

6 Chloramphenicol and Colistin Sodium Methanesulfonate  
7 Ophthalmic Solution is an aqueous ophthalmic preparation.  
8 It contains not less than 90.0% and not more than 120.0%  
9 of the labeled potency of chloramphenicol ( $C_{11}H_{12}Cl_2N_2O_5$ :  
10 323.13) and labeled Units of colistin ( $C_{53}H_{100}N_{16}O_{13}$ :  
11 1169.46).

12 **Method of preparation** Prepare as directed under Ophthalmic  
13 Liquids and Solutions, with Chloramphenicol and Colistin So-  
14 dium Methanesulfonate.

15 **Description** Chloramphenicol and Colistin Sodium Me-  
16 thanesulfonate Ophthalmic Solution is a clear, colorless to pale  
17 yellow liquid.

18 **Identification (1)** To a volume of Chloramphenicol and Col-  
19 istin Sodium Methanesulfonate Ophthalmic Solution, equivalent  
20 to about 2.5 mg (potency) of Chloramphenicol, and add water to  
21 make 100 mL. Determine the absorption spectrum of this solution  
22 as directed under Ultraviolet-visible Spectrophotometry <2.24>: it  
23 exhibits a maximum between 276 nm and 280 nm.

24 **(2)** To a volume of Chloramphenicol and Colistin Sodium  
25 Methanesulfonate Ophthalmic Solution, equivalent to about  $5 \times$   
26  $10^5$  Units of Colistin Sodium Methanesulfonate add 0.5 mL of nin-  
27 hydrin TS, boil for 1 minute, and cool: a blue color develops.

28 **Osmotic pressure ratio** Being specified separately when the  
29 drug is granted approval based on the Law.

30 **pH** <2.54> 6.0 – 8.0

31 **Foreign insoluble matter** <6.11> It meets the requirement.

32 **Insoluble particulate matter** <6.08> It meets the requirement.

33 **Sterility** <4.06> Perform the test according to the Membrane fil-  
34 tration method: it meets the requirement.

35 **Assay** Perform the test according to the Cylinder-plate method  
36 as directed under Microbial Assay for Antibiotics <4.02> accord-  
37 ing to the following conditions.

38 **(1)** Chloramphenicol

39 (i) Test organism—*Kocuria rhizophila* ATCC 9341

40 (ii) Agar media for base layer, seed layer, and transferring test  
41 organisms—Use the medium ii in 3) Media for other organisms  
42 under (1) Agar media for seed and base layer of 1.2. Culture media.

43 (iii) Liquid medium for suspending the test organism—Use  
44 the medium (2) Liquid media for suspending test organisms of 3.2.  
45 Culture media.

46 (iv) Standard solutions—Weigh accurately about 20 mg (po-  
47 tency) of Chloramphenicol RS, dissolve in 2.0 mL of ethanol (95),  
48 add phosphate buffer solution (pH 6.0) to make exactly 20 mL,

49 and use this solution as the standard stock solution. Keep the  
50 standard stock solution at 15°C or below, and use within 30 days.

51 Take exactly a suitable amount of the standard stock solution be-  
52 fore use, add phosphate buffer solution (pH 6.0) to make solutions  
53 so that each mL contains 100  $\mu$ g (potency) and 25  $\mu$ g (potency),  
54 and use these solutions as the high concentration standard solution  
55 and the low concentration standard solution, respectively.

56 (v) Sample solutions—Weigh accurately an amount of Chlo-  
57 ramphenicol and Colistin Sodium Methanesulfonate Ophthalmic  
58 Solution, equivalent to about 10 mg (potency) of chloramphenicol,  
59 add phosphate buffer solution (pH 6.0) to make exactly 100 mL,  
60 and filter, if necessary. Take exactly a suitable amount of this so-  
61 lution, add phosphate buffer solution (pH 6.0) to make solutions  
62 so that each mL contains 100  $\mu$ g (potency) and 25  $\mu$ g (potency),  
63 and use these solutions as the high concentration sample solution  
64 and the low concentration sample solution, respectively.

65 **(2)** Colistin Sodium Methanesulfonate

66 (i) Test organism—*Bordetella bronchiseptica* ATCC 4617

67 (ii) Agar medium for base layer—

68 Casein peptone 17.0 g

69 Sodium chloride 5.0 g

70 Glucose 2.5 g

71 Soybean peptone 3.0 g

72 Dipotassium hydrogenphosphate 2.0 g

73 Agar 20.0 g

74 Water 1000 mL

75 Mix all the ingredients, and sterilize. Adjust the pH of the  
76 solution so that it will be 7.2 to 7.3 with sodium hydroxide  
77 TS after sterilization.

78 (iii) Agar medium for seed layer—

79 Casein peptone 17.0 g

80 Glucose 2.5 g

81 Soybean peptone 3.0 g

82 Sodium chloride 5.0 g

83 Polysorbate 80 10.0 g

84 Dipotassium hydrogenphosphate 2.5 g

85 Agar 12.0 g

86 Water 1000 mL

87 Mix all the ingredients, and sterilize. Adjust the pH of the  
88 solution so that it will be 7.2 to 7.3 with sodium hydroxide  
89 TS after sterilization.

90 (iv) Agar medium for transferring test organisms—Use the  
91 medium i in 2) Media for other organisms under (2) Agar media  
92 for transferring test organisms.

93 (v) Preparation of test organism and seeded agar layer—Cul-  
94 tivate the test organism on the slant of the agar medium for trans-  
95 ferring test organism at 32 to 37°C for 16 to 24 hours. Subcultures  
96 at least three times. Cultivate the grown organism on the slant of  
97 the agar medium for transferring test organism at 32 to 37°C for  
98 16 to 24 hours, add a suitable amount of water to the grown organ-  
99 ism, and suspend. Adjust the suspension so that the transmittance  
100 at 660 nm is 60% as directed under Ultraviolet-visible Spectro-  
101 photometry <2.24> using a spectrophotometer or a photoelectric

102 photometer, and use this suspension as the test organism suspen-  
103 sion. Keep the test organism suspension at 15°C, and use within 3  
104 days. Before use, dissolve 0.13 mL of the test organism suspen-  
105 sion, add it to 100 mL of agar medium for seed previously cooled  
106 at 48°C, mix thoroughly, and use this as the seeded agar layer.

107 (vi) Standard solutions—Weigh accurately an amount of Col-  
108 istin Sodium Methanesulfonate RS, equivalent to about  $1 \times 10^6$   
109 Units, dissolve in phosphate buffer solution (pH 6.0) to make ex-  
110 actly 100 mL, and use this solution as the standard stock solution.  
111 Keep the standard stock solution at 10°C or below, and use within  
112 7 days. Take exactly a suitable amount of the standard stock solu-  
113 tion before use, add phosphate buffer solution (pH 6.0) to make  
114 solutions so that each mL contains 1000 Units and 250 Units, and  
115 use these solutions as the high concentration standard solution and  
116 the low concentration standard solution, respectively.

117 (vii) Sample solutions—Weigh accurately an amount of Chlo-  
118 ramphenicol and Colistin Sodium Methanesulfonate Ophthalmic  
119 Solution, equivalent to about  $1 \times 10^5$  Units of colistin sodium me-  
120 thanesulfonate, add phosphate buffer solution (pH 6.0) to make a  
121 solution so that each mL contains 1000 Units, and use this solution  
122 as the high concentration sample solution. Separately, pipet 5 mL  
123 of the high concentration sample solution, add phosphate buffer  
124 solution (pH 6.0) to make a solution so that each mL contains 250  
125 Units, and use this solution as the low concentration sample solu-  
126 tion.

127 **Containers and storage** Containers—Tight containers.

128 Storage—At a temperature between 2°C and 8°C.