

## 1 Nortriptyline Hydrochloride Tablets

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4 Nortriptyline Hydrochloride Tablets contain not  
5 less than 95.0% and not more than 105.0% of the  
6 labeled amount of nortriptyline (C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>21</sub>N: 263.38).

7 **Method of preparation** Prepare as directed under Tab-  
8 lets, with Nortriptyline Hydrochloride.

9 **Identification (1)** Determine the absorption spectrum  
10 of the sample solution obtained in the Assay as directed un-  
11 der Ultraviolet-visible Spectrophotometry <2.24> using di-  
12 luted 0.1 mol/L hydrochloric acid TS (1 in 50) as the blank:  
13 it exhibits a maximum between 237 nm and 241 nm.

14 **(2)** To a quantity of powdered Nortriptyline Hydro-  
15 chloride Tablets, equivalent to 10 mg of nortriptyline  
16 (C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>21</sub>N), add 10 mL of ethanol (99.5), shake thoroughly,  
17 centrifuge, and use the supernatant liquid as the sample so-  
18 lution. Separately, dissolve 11 mg of nortriptyline hydro-  
19 chloride in 10 mL of ethanol (99.5), and use this solution  
20 as the standard solution. Perform the test with these solu-  
21 tions as directed under Thin-layer Chromatography <2.03>.  
22 Spot 10 μL each of the sample solution and standard solu-  
23 tion on a plate of silica gel with fluorescent indicator for  
24 thin-layer chromatography. Develop the plate with a mix-  
25 ture of 1-butanol, water and acetic acid (100) (4:1:1) to a  
26 distance of about 10 cm, and air-dry the plate. Examine un-  
27 der ultraviolet light (main wavelength: 254 nm): principal  
28 spot obtained from the sample solution and the spot from  
29 the standard solution show the same color tone and R<sub>f</sub> value.

30 **Uniformity of dosage units** <6.02> Perform the test ac-  
31 cording to the following method: it meets the requirement  
32 of the Content uniformity test.

33 To 1 tablet of Nortriptyline Hydrochloride Tablets add a  
34 suitable volume of 0.1 mol/L hydrochloric acid TS, dis-  
35 perse the fine particles by sonicating, add a suitable volume  
36 of 0.1 mol/L hydrochloric acid TS, sonicate, extract for 15  
37 minutes while occasional shaking. Shake for 15 minutes,  
38 and add 0.1 mol/L hydrochloric acid TS to make exactly V  
39 mL so that each mL contains about 0.5 mg of nortriptyline  
40 (C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>21</sub>N). Centrifuge this solution, pipet 2 mL of the su-  
41 pernatant liquid, add water to make exactly 100 mL, and  
42 use this solution as the sample solution. Then, proceed as  
43 directed in the Assay.

$$44 \quad \text{Amount (mg) of nortriptyline (C}_{19}\text{H}_{21}\text{N)} \\ 45 \quad = M_S \times A_T / A_S \times V / 50 \times 0.878$$

46 M<sub>S</sub>: Amount (mg) of nortriptyline hydrochloride for as-  
47 say taken

48 **Dissolution** <6.10> When the test is performed at 50 rev-  
49 olutions per minute according to the Paddle method, using  
50 900 mL of water as the dissolution medium, the dissolution  
51 rates in 30 minutes of a 10-mg tablet and a 25-mg tablet are  
52 not less than 70% and not less than 80%, respectively.

53 Start the test with 1 tablet of Nortriptyline Hydrochloride  
54 Tablets, withdraw not less than 20 mL of the medium at the  
55 specified minute after starting the test, and filter through a  
56 membrane filter with a pore size not exceeding 0.45 μm.  
57 Discard the first 10 mL or more of the filtrate, pipet V mL  
58 of the subsequent filtrate, add water to make exactly V' mL  
59 so that each mL contains about 11 μg of nortriptyline  
60 (C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>21</sub>N), and use this solution as the sample solution.  
61 Separately, weigh accurately about 25 mg of nortriptyline  
62 hydrochloride for assay, previously dried at 105°C for 2  
63 hours, and dissolve in water to make exactly 100 mL. Pipet  
64 5 mL of this solution, add water to make exactly 100 mL,  
65 and use this solution as the standard solution. Determine  
66 the absorbances, A<sub>T</sub> and A<sub>S</sub>, of the sample solution and  
67 standard solution at 239 nm as directed under Ultraviolet-  
68 visible Spectrophotometry <2.24>.

69 Dissolution rate (%) with respect to the labeled amount of  
70 nortriptyline (C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>21</sub>N)

$$71 \quad = M_S \times A_T / A_S \times V' / V \times 1 / C \times 45 \times \\ 72 \quad 0.878$$

73 M<sub>S</sub>: Amount (mg) of nortriptyline hydrochloride for as-  
74 say taken

75 C: Labeled amount (mg) of nortriptyline (C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>21</sub>N) in 1  
76 tablet

77 **Assay** Weigh accurately the mass of not less than 20 tab-  
78 lets of Nortriptyline Hydrochloride Tablets, and powder.  
79 Weigh accurately a portion of the powder, equivalent to  
80 about 50 mg of nortriptyline (C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>21</sub>N), add 50 mL of 0.1  
81 mol/L hydrochloric acid TS, sonicate, and extract for 15  
82 minutes while occasional shaking. Shake for 15 minutes,  
83 and add 0.1 mol/L hydrochloric acid TS to make exactly  
84 100 mL. Centrifuge this solution, pipet 2 mL of the super-  
85 natant liquid, add water to make exactly 100 mL, and use  
86 this solution as the sample solution. Separately, weigh ac-  
87 curately about 28 mg of nortriptyline hydrochloride for as-  
88 say, previously dried at 105°C for 2 hours, and dissolve in  
89 0.1 mol/L hydrochloric acid TS to make exactly 50 mL. Pi-  
90 pet 2 mL of this solution, add water to make exactly 100  
91 mL, and use this solution as the standard solution. Deter-  
92 mine the absorbances, A<sub>T</sub> and A<sub>S</sub>, of the sample solution and  
93 standard solution at 239 nm as directed under Ultraviolet-  
94 visible Spectrophotometry <2.24>, using diluted 0.1 mol/L  
95 hydrochloric acid TS (1 in 50) as the blank.

$$96 \quad \text{Amount (mg) of nortriptyline (C}_{19}\text{H}_{21}\text{N)} \\ 97 \quad = M_S \times A_T / A_S \times 2 \times 0.878$$

98  $M_S$ : Amount (mg) of nortriptyline hydrochloride for as-  
99 say taken

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

101 *Add the following to 9.41 Reagents,*

102 *Test Solutions:*

103 **Nortriptyline hydrochloride**  $C_{19}H_{21}N.HCl$  [Same  
104 as the namesake monograph]

105 **Nortriptyline hydrochloride for assay**  $C_{19}H_{21}N.HCl$   
106 [Same as the monograph Nortriptyline Hydrochloride.  
107 When dried, it contains not less than 99.0% of nortriptyline  
108 hydrochloride ( $C_{19}H_{21}N.HCl$ ).]

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