Containers and storage  Containers—Well-closed containers.
Storage—Light-resistant.

Azathioprine Tablets
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Azathioprine Tablets contain not less than 95% and not more than 105% of the labeled amount of azathioprine (C₉H₇N₃O₅S: 277.26).

Method of preparation  Prepare as directed under Tablets, with Azathioprine.

Identification (1) Weigh a quantity of powdered Azathioprine Tablets, equivalent to 0.01 g of Azathioprine according to the labeled amount. Add 50 mL of water, shake well while warming, and filter. Proceed with 5 mL of the filtrate as directed in the Identification (1) under Azathioprine.

(2) Proceed with 1 mL of the filtrate obtained in (1) as directed in the Identification (2) under Azathioprine.

(3) Determine the absorption spectrum of the sample solution in the Assay as directed under the Ultraviolet-visible Spectrophotometry: it exhibits a maximum between 278 nm and 282 nm.

(4) Weigh a quantity of powdered Azathioprine Tablets, equivalent to 0.1 g of Azathioprine to the labeled amount. Add 10 mL of a solution of ammonia solution (28) in methanol (1 in 10), shake well, filter, and use the filtrate as the sample solution. Separately, dissolve 0.1 g of Azathioprine Reference Standard in 10 mL of a solution of ammonia solution (28) in methanol (1 in 10), and use this solution as the standard solution. Perform the test with these solutions as directed under the Thin-layer Chromatography. Spot 5 μL each of the sample solution and the standard solution on a plate of silica gel with fluorescent indicator for thin-layer chromatography. Develop the plate with a mixture of chloroform, a solution of ammonia solution (28) in methanol (1 in 10), n-butyl formate and 1,2-dichloroethane (15:10:5:2) to a distance of about 15 cm, and air-dry the plate. Examine under ultraviolet light (main wavelength: 254 nm): the spots from the sample solution and the standard solution show the same Rf value.

Assay  Weigh accurately and powder not less than 20 Azathioprine Tablets. Weigh accurately a portion of the powder, equivalent to about 0.1 g of azathioprine (C₉H₇N₃O₅S), add 20 mL of dimethylsulfoxide for ultraviolet-visible spectrophotometry, shake well, add 0.1 mol/L hydrochloric acid TS to make exactly 500 mL, and filter. Discard the first 20 mL of the filtrate, measure exactly 3 mL of the subsequent filtrate, add 0.1 mol/L hydrochloric acid TS to make exactly 100 mL, and use this solution as the sample solution. Separately, weigh accurately about 0.1 g of Azathioprine Reference Standard, previously dried at 105°C for 5 hours, dissolve in 20 mL of dimethylsulfoxide for ultraviolet-visible spectrophotometry, and add 0.1 mol/L hydrochloric acid TS to make exactly 500 mL. Measure exactly 3 mL of this solution, add 0.1 mol/L hydrochloric acid TS to make exactly 100 mL, and use this solution as the standard solution. Determine the absorbances, Aₜ and Aₛ, of the sample solution and the standard solution at 280 nm as directed under the Ultraviolet-visible Spectrophotometry, respectively.

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\text{Amount (mg) of azathioprine (C₉H₇N₃O₅S)} = \frac{Aₜ}{Aₛ} \times \text{Amount (mg) of Azathioprine Reference Standard}
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Containers and storage  Containers—Tight containers.
Storage—Light-resistant.

Aztreonam
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\begin{align*}
\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{17}\text{N}_{5}\text{O}_{8}\text{S}_2: & \quad 435.43 \\
2-\{(Z)-(2-\text{Aminothiazol}-4-\text{yl})-\text{[25,35]-} \\
2\text{-methyl-4-oxo-1-sulfoacetidin-3-ylcarbamoyl]-methylenearminooxy}}&\text{-2-methyl-1-propanoic acid} \\
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Aztreonam contains not less than 920 μg (potency) per mg, calculated on the anhydrous basis. The potency of Aztreonam is expressed as mass (potency) of aztreonam (C₁₃H₁₇N₅O₈S₂).

Description  Aztreonam occurs as a white to yellowish white crystalline powder.

It is freely soluble in dimethylsulfoxide, slightly soluble in water and in methanol, and very slightly soluble in ethanol (95).

Identification (1) Determine the absorption spectrum of a solution of Aztreonam (3 in 100,000) as directed under the Ultraviolet-visible Spectrophotometry, and compare the spectrum with the Reference Spectrum or the spectrum of Aztreonam Reference Standard: both spectra exhibit similar intensities of absorption at the same wavelength.

(2) Determine the spectrum of a solution of Aztreonam in deuterated dimethylsulfoxide for nuclear magnetic resonance spectroscopy (1 in 10), using a light hydrogen substance existing in deuterated dimethylsulfoxide for nuclear magnetic resonance spectroscopy as an internal reference compound and 2.50 ppm for its chemical shift, as directed under the Nuclear Magnetic Resonance Spectroscopy (H): it exhibits a multiple signal at around δ 1.5 ppm, and a single signal at around δ 7.0 ppm. The ratio of integrated intensity of each signal is 9:1.

Optical rotation  \[ [\alpha]^{20}_D = -26 \text{ to } -32° \] (0.25 g calculated on the anhydrous bases, water, 50 mL, 100 mm).

pH  Dissolve 0.05 g of Aztreonam in 10 mL of water: the pH of this solution is between 2.2 and 2.8.