

tra, dissolve Beclometasone Dipropionate and Beclometasone Dipropionate Reference Standard in ethanol (95), respectively, then evaporate the ethanol to dryness, and repeat the test on the residues.

**Optical rotation**  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ : +88 – +94° (after drying, 0.1 g, 1,4-dioxane, 10 mL, 100 mm).

**Purity (1) Heavy metals**—Proceed with 0.5 g of Beclometasone Dipropionate according to Method 2, and perform the test. Prepare the control solution with 1.5 mL of Standard Lead Solution (not more than 30 ppm).

(2) Other steroids—Dissolve 0.020 g of Beclometasone Dipropionate in 5 mL of a mixture of chloroform and methanol (9:1), and use this solution as the sample solution. Pipet 1 mL of the sample solution, add a mixture of chloroform and methanol (9:1) to make exactly 50 mL, and use this solution as the standard solution. Perform the test with these solutions as directed under the Thin-layer Chromatography. Spot 5  $\mu$ L each of the sample solution and the standard solution on a plate of silica gel for thin-layer chromatography. Develop the plate with a mixture of 1,2-dichloroethane, methanol and water (475:25:1) to a distance of about 15 cm, and air-dry the plate. Spray evenly alkaline blue tetrazolium TS on the plate: the spots other than the principal spot from the sample solution are not more intense than the spot from the standard solution.

**Loss on drying** Not more than 0.5% (0.5 g, 105°C, 3 hours).

**Residue on ignition** Not more than 0.1% (0.5 g).

**Assay** Weigh accurately about 0.02 g each of Beclometasone Dipropionate and Beclometasone Dipropionate Reference Standard, previously dried, and dissolve each in methanol to make exactly 50 mL. Pipet 10 mL each of these solutions, add exactly 10 mL of the internal standard solution and methanol to make 50 mL, and use these solutions as the sample solution and the standard solution, respectively. Perform the test with 20  $\mu$ L each of the sample solution and the standard solution as directed under the Liquid Chromatography according to the following conditions, and calculate the ratios,  $Q_T$  and  $Q_S$ , of the peak area of beclometasone dipropionate to that of the internal standard, respectively.

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{Amount (mg) of } C_{28}H_{37}ClO_7 \\ &= \text{amount (mg) of Beclometasone Dipropionate} \\ &\quad \text{Reference Standard} \\ &\quad \times \frac{Q_T}{Q_S} \end{aligned}$$

**Internal standard solution**—A solution of testosterone propionate in methanol (1 in 4000).

**Operating conditions**—

**Detector:** An ultraviolet absorption photometer (wavelength: 254 nm).

**Column:** A stainless steel column 4.6 mm in inside diameter and 20 cm in length, packed with octadecylsilanized silica gel for liquid chromatography (5  $\mu$ m in particle diameter).

**Column temperature:** A constant temperature of about 25°C.

**Mobile phase:** A mixture of acetonitrile and water (3:2).

**Flow rate:** Adjust the flow rate so that the retention time of beclometasone dipropionate is about 6 minutes.

**System suitability**—

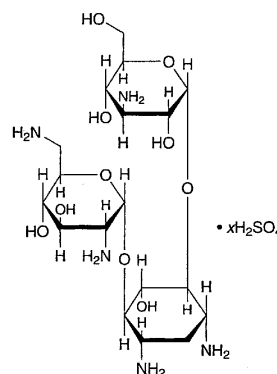
**System performance:** When the procedure is run with 20  $\mu$ L of the standard solution under the above operating conditions, beclometasone dipropionate and the internal standard are eluted in this order with the resolution between these peaks being not less than 8.

**System repeatability:** When the test is repeated 6 times with 20  $\mu$ L of the standard solution under the above operating conditions, the relative standard deviation of the ratios of the peak area of beclometasone dipropionate to that of the internal standard is not more than 1.0%.

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

## Bekanamycin Sulfate

硫酸ベカナマイシン



$C_{18}H_{37}N_5O_{10} \cdot xH_2SO_4$

O-3-Amino-3-deoxy- $\alpha$ -D-glucopyranosyl-(1 $\rightarrow$ 6)-O-[2,6-diamino-2,6-dideoxy- $\alpha$ -D-glucopyranosyl-(1 $\rightarrow$ 4)]-2-deoxy-D-streptomine sulfate [70550-99-1]

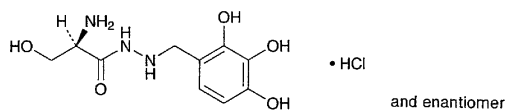
Bekanamycin Sulfate conforms to the requirements of Bekanamycin Sulfate in the Requirements for Antibiotic Products of Japan.

**Description** Bekanamycin Sulfate occurs as a white powder.

It is freely soluble in water, and practically insoluble in ethanol (95) and in diethyl ether.

## Benserazide Hydrochloride

塩酸ベンセラジド



$C_{10}H_{15}N_3O_5 \cdot HCl$ : 293.70

(*RS*)-2-Amino-3-hydroxy-*N'*-(2,3,4-trihydroxybenzyl)propanoylhydrazide monohydrochloride [14919-77-8]

Benserazide Hydrochloride contains not less than 98.0% of  $C_{10}H_{15}N_3O_5 \cdot HCl$ , calculated on the anhydrous basis.

**Description** Benserazide Hydrochloride occurs as a white to grayish white, crystalline powder.

It is freely soluble in water and in formic acid, soluble in methanol, very slightly soluble in ethanol (95), and practically insoluble in diethyl ether.

The pH of a solution of Benserazide Hydrochloride (1 in 100) is between 4.0 and 5.0.

It is hygroscopic.

It is gradually colored by light.

A solution of Benserazide Hydrochloride (1 in 100) shows no optical rotation.

**Identification (1)** Determine the absorption spectrum of a solution of Benserazide Hydrochloride in 0.1 mol/L hydrochloric acid TS (1 in 10,000) as directed under the Ultraviolet-visible Spectrophotometry, and compare the spectrum with the Reference Spectrum: both spectra exhibit similar intensities of absorption at the same wavelengths.

(2) Determine the infrared absorption spectrum of Benserazide Hydrochloride as directed in the potassium bromide disk method under the Infrared Spectrophotometry, and compare the spectrum with the Reference Spectrum: both spectra exhibit similar intensities of absorption at the same wave numbers.

(3) To 10 mL of a solution of Benserazide Hydrochloride (1 in 30) add silver nitrate TS: a white precipitate is formed. To a portion of this precipitate add dilute nitric acid: the precipitation does not dissolve.

**Purity (1)** Clarity and color of solution—Dissolve 0.5 g of Benserazide Hydrochloride in 10 mL of water, and perform the test with this solution as directed under the Ultraviolet-visible Spectrophotometry: the absorbance of this solution at 430 nm is not more than 0.10.

(2) Heavy metals—Proceed with 1.0 g of Benserazide Hydrochloride according to Method 2, and perform the test. Prepare the control solution with 2.0 mL of Standard Lead Solution (not more than 20 ppm).

(3) Related substances—Conduct this procedure without exposure to daylight, using light-resistant vessels. Dissolve 0.25 g of Benserazide Hydrochloride in 10 mL of methanol, and use this solution as the sample solution. Pipet 1 mL and 3 mL of the sample solution, add methanol to make exactly 200 mL, and use these solutions as the standard solution (1) and (2), respectively. Perform the test with these solutions as directed under the Thin-layer Chromatography. Spot 2  $\mu$ L each of the sample solution and the standard solution (1) and (2) on a plate of cellulose for thin-layer chromatography. Develop the plate with a solution of formic acid in sodium chloride TS (1 in 1000) to a distance of about 10 cm, and air-dry the plate. Spray evenly sodium carbonate TS, air-dry, and then spray evenly Folin's TS on the plate: the spots other than the principal spot from the sample solution are not more intense than the spot from the standard solution (2), and the number of the spots which intense more than the spot from the standard solution (1) are not more than 2.

**Water** Not more than 2.5% (0.5 g, direct titration). Use a solution of salicylic acid in methanol for Karl Fischer method (3 in 20) instead of methanol for Karl Fischer method.

**Residue on ignition** Not more than 0.10% (1 g).

**Assay** Weigh accurately about 0.3 g of Benserazide Hydrochloride, dissolve in 5 mL of formic acid, add 50 mL of acetic acid (100), and titrate immediately with 0.1 mol/L perchloric acid VS (potentiometric titration). Perform a blank determination, and make any necessary correction.

Each mL of 0.1 mol/L perchloric acid VS  
= 29.371 mg of  $C_{10}H_{15}N_3O_5 \cdot HCl$

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

Storage—Light-resistant.

## Benzalkonium Chloride

塩化ベンザルコニウム

Benzalkonium Chloride is represented by the formula  $[C_6H_5CH_2N(CH_3)_2R]Cl$ , in which R extends from  $C_8H_{17}$  to  $C_{18}H_{37}$ , with  $C_{12}H_{25}$  and  $C_{14}H_{29}$  comprising the major portion.

It contains not less than 95.0% and not more than 105.0% of benzalkonium chloride (as  $C_{22}H_{40}ClN$ : 354.01), calculated on the anhydrous basis.

**Description** Benzalkonium Chloride occurs as a white to yellowish white powder, colorless to light yellow, gelatinous pieces, or jelly-like fluid or mass. It has a characteristic odor.

It is very soluble in water and in ethanol (95), and practically insoluble in diethyl ether.

A solution of Benzalkonium Chloride foams strongly when shaken.

**Identification (1)** Dissolve 0.2 g of Benzalkonium Chloride in 1 mL of sulfuric acid, add 0.1 g of sodium nitrate, and heat for 5 minutes on a water bath. After cooling, add 10 mL of water and 0.5 g of zinc powder, heat for 5 minutes, cool, and filter: the filtrate responds to the Qualitative Tests for primary aromatic amines. The color of the solution is red.

(2) To 2 mL of a solution of Benzalkonium Chloride (1 in 1000) add a mixture of 0.2 mL of a solution of bromophenol blue (1 in 2000) and 0.5 mL of sodium hydroxide TS: a blue color develops. Add 4 mL of chloroform to this solution, and shake vigorously: the blue color shifts to the chloroform layer. Collect the chloroform layer, and add dropwise, with stirring, a solution of sodium lauryl sulfate (1 in 1000): the chloroform layer turns colorless.

(3) Determine the absorption spectrum of a solution of Benzalkonium Chloride in 0.1 mol/L hydrochloric acid TS (1 in 2000) as directed under the Ultraviolet-visible Spectrophotometry, and compare the spectrum with the Reference Spectrum: both spectra exhibit similar intensities of absorption at the same wavelengths.

(4) To 1 mL of a solution of Benzalkonium Chloride (1 in 100) add 2 mL of ethanol (95), 0.5 mL of dilute nitric acid and 1 mL of silver nitrate TS: a white precipitate is produced. This precipitate does not dissolve on the addition of dilute nitric acid, but dissolves on the addition of ammonia TS.

**Purity (1)** Clarity and color of solution—Dissolve 1.0 g