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Analytical profile of Clotrimazole and Lignocaine Hydrochloride Ear drops

Analytical Profile No.: Clotri Ligno 080/81/AP 145

Clotrimazole and Lignocaine Hydrochloride Ear drop contains not less than 90.0% and not more than

110.0% of the stated amount of both Clotrimazole and Lignocaine Hydrochloride.

Usual Strength: Clotrimazole 1.0% w/v

Lignocaine Hydrochloride 2.0% w/v

1. Identification:

1.1 Lignocaine Hydrochloride: Take sample volume equivalent to 0.2 gm. Of Lignocaine

Hydrochloride add sufficient Sodium Hydroxide solution to make alkaline, filter, wash the residue with

water, dissolve half of the residue in 1 ml of ethanol(95%) and 0.5 ml of 10% w/v solution of cobalt

chloride; a bluish-green precipitate is formed.

1.2 Clotrimazole: By titration method it gives emerald green color change during assay procedure

2. Assay: *Determine by Extraction and Titrimetry*

2.1 For Clotrimazole: Take 10 ml of Ear Drop sample i.e equivalent to 100 mg of Clotrimazole to a

separating funnel containing about 20 ml water. Extract with solvent ether (3 X 40 ml). Wash the

combined ether layer with 20 ml of water and pass through anhydrous sodium sulphate (preserve the

combined aqueous layer for estimation of Lignocaine Hydrochloride). Evaporate ether layer on water

bath, cool and add 15 ml of acetic acid and 15-20 ml of 1-4 Dioxane. Carry out the non-aqueous titration

using crystal violet solution as indicator (end point, violet to emerald green color)

Each ml of 0.02 N Perchloric acid is equivalent to 6.896 gm. of Clotrimazole

2.2 For Lignocaine Hydrochloride: Titrate the entire aqueous layer preserved during estimation of

Clotrimazole with 0.1 N Silver nitrate using potassium chromate as indicator. (end point: Light yellow to

reddish brown).

Each ml of 0.1N Silver nitrate is equivalent to 28.88 gm. Of Lignocaine Hydrochloride.

Note: For preparation and standardization of the reagents refer to Indian Pharmacopoeia.

3. Other tests: As per pharmacopoeial requirements.