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Analytical profile of Prucalopride Tablets

Analytical Profile No.: Prucal 080/81/AP 160

Prucalopride Tablets contain not less than 90.0% and not more than 110.0% of the stated amount of

Prucalopride.

Usual Strength: 1 mg

1. Identification:

In the Assay, the principal peak in the chromatogram obtained with the test solution corresponds to the

peak in the chromatogram obtained with the reference solution.

2. Dissolution: *Determine by liquid chromatography*

2.1 Dissolution Parameters:

Apparatus: Paddle

Medium: 500 ml of 0.1 N HCL

Speed & Time: 50 rpm & 30 minutes

Withdraw a suitable volume of the medium & filter.

2.2 Test Solution: Use the filtrate.

2.3 Reference Solution: Weigh 20.0 mg of Prucalopride Succinate RS accurately and transfer in 100 ml

of a completely dried volumetric flask. Add 15 ml of dissolution medium and shake to dissolve and make

up the volume with the same and mix. Dilute 1 ml of the solution to 100 ml with the same diluent & mix.

2.4 Procedure: Use the chromatographic system described in the Assay using 50 µl as injection volume.

Inject the reference solution and the test solution. Calculate the percent release of Prucalopride.

2.5 Limit: NLT 80 % (Q) of the stated amount.

3. Assay: *Determine by liquid chromatography*

3.1 Diluent: Mobile phase

3.2 Test solution: Weigh the content of 20 tablets and calculate the average weight. Weigh the powder

equivalent to 408 mg (4 mg equivalent of Prucalopride) in 100 ml of dry volumetric flask, add 70 ml of

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the mobile phase, sonicate for 15 minutes, and cool the sample solution to room temperature. Make up the

volume with the mobile phase and mix.

3.3 Reference solution: Weigh accurately about 26.5 mg of Prucalopride Succinate RS (20 mg equivalent

of Prucalopride) and transfer to a 100 ml completely dried volumetric flask. Dissolve in 70 ml of the

mobile phase with the aid of ultrasound for 15 minutes and make up the volume with the mobile phase.

Dilute 2 ml of the solution to 10 ml using the mobile phase and mix.

3.4 Chromatographic system:

Column: C8 (4.6mmX 150-mm, 5µm)

Flow rate: 1.0 ml/min

Wavelength: 215 nm

Injection volume: 20 µl

Column Temperature: 30°C

Sample Temperature: 25°C

Mobile Phase: Buffer: Acetonitrile: 80:20 (V/V)

Buffer: Weigh 2.72 g of potassium dihydrogen phosphate in 1000 ml of HPLC grade

water, and mix. Adjust pH 3.0 (+/- 0.05) with a 33% w/v solution of orthophosphoric acid.

3.5 Procedure: Inject the reference solution five times and sample solutions. The test is not valid unless

the column efficiency is not less than 2000 theoretical plates, the tailing factor is not more than 2.0, and

the relative standard deviation for replicate injections is not more than 2.0%. Measure the peak responses.

Calculate the content of Prucalopride.

4. Uniformity of content: Determine by HPLC as described in the test for assay

4.1 Test Solution: Place one tablet in each of 10 separate 25 ml volumetric flasks. Dissolve in about 15

ml mobile phase with the aid of sonication for 10 minutes and make up the volume to 25 ml with the same

solvent. (40 ppm)

4.2 Reference solution: Use the standard solution prepared in the assay.

5. Other tests: As per Pharmacopoeial requirements.