*Reference solution (c).* Dilute 1.0 ml of the test solution to 100.0 ml with the mobile phase. Dilute 1.0 ml of this solution to 20.0 ml with the mobile phase.

#### Column:

- size: l = 0.15 m,  $\emptyset = 3.9$  mm,

 stationary phase: octylsilyl silica gel for chromatography R (5 µm).

Mobile phase: dissolve 0.50 g of sodium edetate R in 350 ml of water R, add 4.0 ml of hexylamine R and mix. Adjust to pH 3.0 with phosphoric acid R. Add 600 ml of methanol R and dilute to 1000 ml with water R.

Flow rate: 1.3 ml/min.

Detection: spectrophotometer at 254 nm.

Injection: 20 µl.

Run time: 4 times the retention time of clioquinol.

Relative retention with reference to clioquinol (retention

time = about 10 min): impurity A = about 0.4; impurity B = about 0.7; impurity C = about 1.3.

System suitability: reference solution (a):

 resolution: minimum 3.0 between the peaks due to clioquinol and impurity C.

#### Limits:

- impurity A: not more than the area of the corresponding peak in the chromatogram obtained with reference solution (b) (2.0 per cent),
- impurity B: not more than the area of the corresponding peak in the chromatogram obtained with reference solution (b) (1.0 per cent),
- impurity C: not more than the area of the corresponding peak in the chromatogram obtained with reference solution (b) (1.0 per cent),
- any other impurity: for each impurity, not more than twice the area of the principal peak in the chromatogram obtained with reference solution (c) (0.1 per cent),
- total of the nominal contents of impurities A, B, C and any other impurities: maximum 3.0 per cent,
- disregard limit: the area of the principal peak in the chromatogram obtained with reference solution (c) (0.05 per cent).

Halides: maximum 140 ppm, expressed as chlorides.

Shake 0.5 g with 25 ml of *water R* for 1 min and filter. To the filtrate add 0.5 ml of *dilute nitric acid R* and 0.5 ml of *silver nitrate solution R2*. Allow to stand for 5 min. Any opalescence is not more intense than that in a standard prepared at the same time by adding 0.5 ml of *silver nitrate solution R2* to 25 ml of *water R* containing 0.2 ml of 0.01 M hydrochloric acid and 0.5 ml of *dilute nitric acid R*.

**Loss on drying** (2.2.32): maximum 0.5 per cent, determined on 1.000 g by drying over *diphosphorus pentoxide* R at a pressure not exceeding 0.7 kPa for 24 h.

**Sulphated ash** (2.4.14): maximum 0.1 per cent, determined on 1.0 g.

#### **ASSAY**

Dissolve 0.200 g in 20 ml of *acetic anhydride R* and add 30 ml of *glacial acetic acid R*. Titrate with  $0.1\,M$  perchloric *acid*, determining the end-point potentiometrically (2.2.20).

1 ml of 0.1 M perchloric acid is equivalent to 30.55 mg of total quinolines, calculated as clioquinol.

#### **STORAGE**

Protected from light.

#### **IMPURITIES**

Specified impurities: A, B, C.

A. R1 = Cl, R2 = H: 5-chloroquinolin-8-ol,

B. R1 = R2 = Cl: 5,7-dichloroquinolin-8-ol,

C. R1 = R2 = I: 5,7-diiodoguinolin-8-ol.

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## **CLOBAZAM**

## Clobazamum

 $C_{16}H_{13}ClN_2O_2$  [22316-47-8]

 $M_{\rm r} 300.7$ 

### **DEFINITION**

7-Chloro-1-methyl-5-phenyl-1,5-dihydro-3*H*-1,5-benzodiazepine-2,4-dione.

Content: 97.0 per cent to 103.0 per cent (dried substance).

### **CHARACTERS**

Appearance: white or almost white, crystalline powder. Solubility: slightly soluble in water, freely soluble in methylene chloride, sparingly soluble in alcohol.

#### **IDENTIFICATION**

Infrared absorption spectrophotometry (2.2.24).

Comparison: Ph. Eur. reference spectrum of clobazam.

#### **TESTS**

**Related substances**. Liquid chromatography (2.2.29).

*Test solution.* Dissolve 10.0 mg of the substance to be examined in the mobile phase and dilute to 50.0 ml with the mobile phase.

*Reference solution (a).* Dissolve 5.0 mg of *clobazam impurity A CRS* in the mobile phase and dilute to 50.0 ml with the mobile phase. Dilute 1.0 ml of the solution to 100.0 ml with the mobile phase.

Reference solution (b). Dissolve 5 mg of chlordiazepoxide CRS and 5 mg of clonazepam CRS in the mobile phase and dilute to 50 ml with the mobile phase. Dilute 1 ml of the solution to 100 ml with the mobile phase. Reference solution (c). Dilute 1.0 ml of the test solution to 200.0 ml with the mobile phase.

#### Column:

- size: l = 0.25 m,  $\emptyset = 4.6$  mm,

 stationary phase: octadecylsilyl silica gel for chromatography R (5 μm).

*Mobile phase: acetonitrile R, water R* (40:60 V/V).

Flow rate: 1 ml/min.

Detection: spectrophotometer at 230 nm.

*Injection*: 20 µl.

Run time: 5 times the retention time of clobazam.

Retention time: clobazam = about 15 min. System suitability: reference solution (b):

 resolution: minimum 1.3 between the peaks due to chlordiazepoxide and clonazepam.

#### Limits

- impurity A: not more than the area of the principal peak in the chromatogram obtained with reference solution (a) (0.5 per cent),
- any other impurity: not more than 0.4 times the area of the principal peak in the chromatogram obtained with reference solution (c) (0.2 per cent),
- total of other impurities: not more than twice the area of the principal peak in the chromatogram obtained with reference solution (c) (1.0 per cent),
- disregard limit: 0.1 times the area of the principal peak in the chromatogram obtained with reference solution (c) (0.05 per cent).

**Loss on drying** (2.2.32): maximum 0.5 per cent, determined on 1.000 g by drying in an oven at 105 °C.

**Sulphated ash** (2.4.14): maximum 0.1 per cent, determined on the residue obtained in the test for loss on drying.

## ASSAY

Dissolve 50.0 mg in *alcohol R* and dilute to 100.0 ml with the same solvent. Dilute 2.0 ml of the solution to 250.0 ml with *alcohol R*. Measure the absorbance (2.2.25) at the maximum at 232 nm.

Calculate the content of  $C_{16}H_{13}ClN_2O_2$  taking the specific absorbance to be 1380.

### **IMPURITIES**

- A. R1 = R3 = R4 = H, R2 = Cl: 7-chloro-5-phenyl-1,5-dihydro-3*H*-1,5-benzodiazepine-2,4-dione,
- B. R1 = CH<sub>3</sub>, R2 = R3 = R4 = H: 1-methyl-5-phenyl-1,5-dihydro-3*H*-1,5-benzodiazepine-2,4-dione,
- C. R1 = R3 =  $CH_3$ , R2 = Cl, R4 = H: (3RS)-7-chloro-1,3-dimethyl-5-phenyl-1,5-dihydro-3H-1,5-benzodiazepine-2,4-dione,
- D. R1 = R3 = R4 = CH<sub>3</sub>, R2 = Cl: 7-chloro-1,3,3-trimethyl-5-phenyl-1,5-dihydro-3*H*-1,5-benzodiazepine-2,4-dione,

E. N-[4-chloro-2-(phenylamino)phenyl]-N-methylacetamide,

F. methyl 3-[[4-chloro-2-(phenylamino)phenyl]methylamino]-3-oxopropanoate.

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 $M_{r}467.0$ 

## **CLOBETASOL PROPIONATE**

# Clobetasoli propionas

C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>32</sub>ClFO<sub>5</sub> [25122-46-7]

### DEFINITION

21-Chloro-9-fluoro-11 $\beta$ -hydroxy-16 $\beta$ -methyl-3,20-dioxopregna-1,4-dien-17-yl propanoate.

Content: 97.0 per cent to 102.0 per cent (dried substance).

## CHARACTERS

Appearance: white or almost white, crystalline powder. *Solubility*: practically insoluble in water, freely soluble in acetone, sparingly soluble in ethanol (96 per cent).

## IDENTIFICATION

Infrared absorption spectrophotometry (2.2.24). Comparison: clobetasol propionate CRS.

## TESTS

**Specific optical rotation** (2.2.7): + 112 to + 118 (dried substance).

Dissolve  $0.500~{\rm g}$  in *acetone R* and dilute to  $50.0~{\rm ml}$  with the same solvent.