



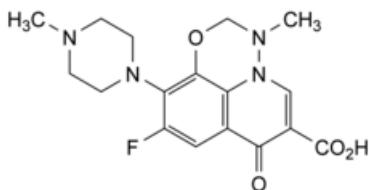
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## Marbofloxacin



### [General Notices](#)

(Marbofloxacin for Veterinary Use, Ph. Eur. monograph 2233)



$C_{17}H_{19}FN_4O_4$  362.4 115550-35-1

### Action and use

Fluoroquinolone antibacterial.

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## DEFINITION

9-Fluoro-3-methyl-10-(4-methylpiperazin-1-yl)-7-oxo-2,3-dihydro-7H-pyrido[3,2,1-ij][4,1,2]benzoxadiazine-6-carboxylic acid.

### Content

99.0 per cent to 101.0 per cent (dried substance).

## CHARACTERS

### Appearance

Light yellow, crystalline powder.

### Solubility

Slightly soluble in water, sparingly soluble or slightly soluble in methylene chloride, very slightly soluble in ethanol (96 per cent).

## IDENTIFICATION

Infrared absorption spectrophotometry ([2.2.24](#)).

## TESTS

### **Absorbance** (2.2.25)

Maximum 0.20, determined at 450 nm. *Prepare the solution immediately before use.*

Dissolve 0.400 g in [0.1 M ammonium carbonate buffer solution pH 10.3 R](#) using sonication and dilute to 10.0 mL with the same buffer solution.

### **Related substances**

Liquid chromatography (2.2.29). *Carry out the test protected from light.*

**Solution A** A 2.70 g/L solution of [sodium dihydrogen phosphate R](#) containing 3.50 g/L of [sodium octanesulfonate R](#), adjusted to pH 2.5 with [phosphoric acid R](#).

**Solvent mixture** [methanol R](#), [water R](#) (23:77 V/V).

**Test solution** To 0.100 g of the substance to be examined add 80 mL of the solvent mixture, sonicate until dissolution and dilute to 100.0 mL with the solvent mixture.

**Reference solution (a)** Dilute 1.0 mL of the test solution to 50.0 mL with the solvent mixture. Dilute 1.0 mL of this solution to 10.0 mL with the solvent mixture.

**Reference solution (b)** Dissolve the contents of a vial of [marbofloxacin impurity mixture A CRS](#) (containing impurities C, D and E) in 1 mL of the test solution.

**Column:**

- **size:**  $l = 0.15$  m,  $\varnothing = 4.6$  mm;
- **stationary phase:** [end-capped polar-embedded octadecylsilyl amorphous organosilica polymer R](#) (3.5  $\mu$ m);
- **temperature:** 40 °C.

**Mobile phase** Mix 230 volumes of [methanol R](#) and 5 volumes of [glacial acetic acid R](#) with 770 volumes of the solution A.

**Flow rate** 1.2 mL/min.

**Detection** Spectrophotometer at 315 nm.

**Injection** 10  $\mu$ L.

**Run time** 2.5 times the retention time of marbofloxacin.

**Identification of impurities** Use the chromatogram supplied with [marbofloxacin impurity mixture A CRS](#) and the chromatogram obtained with reference solution (b) to identify the peaks due to impurities C, D and E.

**Relative retention** With reference to marbofloxacin (retention time = about 33 min): impurity C = about 0.9; impurity D = about 1.3; impurity E = about 1.5.

**System suitability:**

- **signal-to-noise ratio:** minimum 30 for the principal peak in the chromatogram obtained with reference solution (a);
- **resolution:** minimum 1.5 between the peaks due to impurity C and marbofloxacin; minimum 4.0 between the peaks due to marbofloxacin and impurity D in the chromatogram obtained with reference solution (b).

**Calculation of percentage contents:**

- **correction factor:** multiply the peak area of impurity E by 1.5;
- for each impurity, use the concentration of marbofloxacin in reference solution (a).

**Limits:**

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— *impurity E*: maximum 0.20 per cent;

— *unspecified impurities*: for each impurity, maximum 0.20 per cent;

— *total*: maximum 0.5 per cent;

— *reporting threshold*: 0.10 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 for 4 h.

#### **Sulfated ash (2.4.14)**

Maximum 0.1 per cent, determined on 1.0 g in a platinum crucible.

### **ASSAY**

Dissolve 0.300 g in 80 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 36.24 mg of C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>19</sub>FN<sub>4</sub>O<sub>4</sub>.

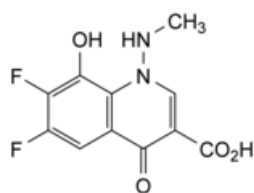
### **STORAGE**

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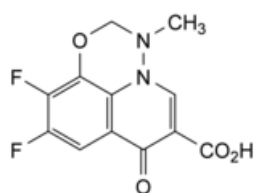
### **IMPURITIES**

*Specified impurities E.*

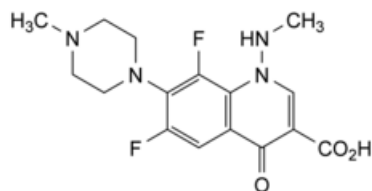
*Other detectable impurities (the following substances would, if present at a sufficient level, be detected by one or other of the tests in the monograph. They are limited by the general acceptance criterion for other/unspecified impurities and/or by the general monograph [Substances for pharmaceutical use \(2034\)](#). It is therefore not necessary to identify these impurities for demonstration of compliance. See also 5.10. [Control of impurities in substances for pharmaceutical use](#))* A, B, C, D, F.



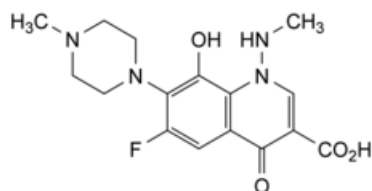
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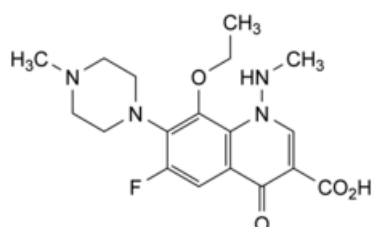
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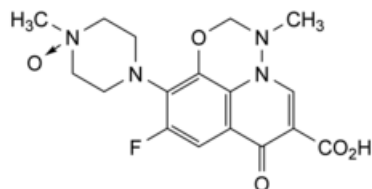
C. 6,8-difluoro-1-(methylamino)-7-(4-methylpiperazin-1-yl)-4-oxo-1,4-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxylic acid,



D. 6-fluoro-8-hydroxy-1-(methylamino)-7-(4-methylpiperazin-1-yl)-4-oxo-1,4-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxylic acid,



E. 8-ethoxy-6-fluoro-1-(methylamino)-7-(4-methylpiperazin-1-yl)-4-oxo-1,4-dihydroquinoline-3-carboxylic acid,



F. 4-[6-carboxy-9-fluoro-3-methyl-7-oxo-2,3-dihydro-7H-pyrido[3,2,1-ij][4,1,2]benzoxadiazin-10-yl]-1-methylpiperazine 1-oxide.