U.S. Pharmacopeia method



Levocetirizine Dihydrochloride :Enantiomeric purity

Column : CHIRALPAK[®] AS-H 0.46cmΦ × 25cmL (L90)

Mobile phase : Acetonitrile / Buffer = 30 / 70 (v / v)

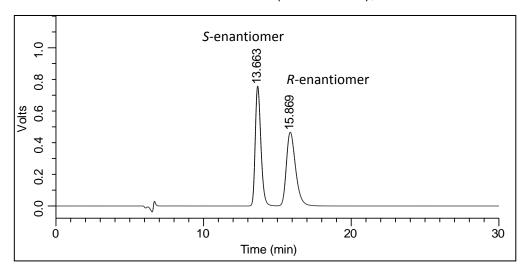
**Buffer: 1.5g/L of Ammonium acetate in water. Adjust with glacial acetic acid to a pH of 4.8.

Flow rate : 0.5mL/min.
Injection volume : 20µL
Column temperature : 30°C
UV detection : 230nm

System suitability

System suitability solution: 0.5 mg/mL of USP Cetirizine Hydrochloride RS in water.

Relative retention times: The S-enantiomer (of Cetirizine) and Levocetirizine, which is the R-enantiomer (of Cetirizine), are about 0.83 and 1.0, respectively.



	Requirement	Result
Resolution (System suitability solution)	≧1.4	4.9
Tailing factor	≦2.0	1.29(S-enantiomer) 1.33(R-enantiomer)