mL. Confirm that the peak area of cefteram pivoxil obtained from 10 μL of this solution is equivalent to 7 to 13% of that obtained from 10 μL of the standard solution.

System performance: When the procedure is run with 10 μL of the standard solution under the above operating conditions, the number of theoretical plates and the symmetry factor of the peak of cefteram pivoxil are not less than 5000 and not more than 1.5, respectively.

System repeatability: When the test is repeated 6 times with 10 μL of the standard solution under the above operating conditions, the relative standard deviation of the peak area of cefteram pivoxil is not more than 3.0%.

Water ⟨*2.48*⟩ Not more than 3.0% (0.3 g, coulometric titration).

Assay Weigh accurately an amount of Cefteram Pivoxil and Cefteram Pivoxil Mesitylene Sulfonate RS, equivalent to about 40 mg (potency), dissolve each in 20 mL of diluted acetonitrile (1 in 2), add exactly 5 mL of the internal standard solution and diluted acetonitrile (1 in 2) to make 50 mL, and use these solutions as the sample solution and standard solution. Perform the test with 10 μL each of the sample solution and standard solution as directed under Liquid Chromatography ⟨*2.01*⟩ according to the following conditions, and calculate the ratios, Q_T and Q_S, of the peak area of cefteram pivoxil to that of the internal standard.

Amount [μg (potency)] of cefteram ($C_{16}H_{17}N_9O_5S_2$) = $M_S \times Q_T/Q_S \times 1000$

M_S: Amount [mg (potency)] of Cefteram Pivoxil Mesitylene Sulfonate RS taken

Internal standard solution—A solution of methyl parahydroxybenzoate in diluted acetonitrile (1 in 2) (1 in 1000).

Operating conditions—

Detector: An ultraviolet absorption photometer (wavelength: 254 nm).

Column: A stainless steel column 4.6 mm in inside diameter and 15 cm in length, packed with octadecylsilanized silica gel for liquid chromatography (5 μm in particle diameter).

Column temperature: A constant temperature of about 25°C.

Mobile phase: To 100 mL of acetic acid-sodium acetate buffer solution (pH 5.0) add 375 mL of acetonitrile and water to make 1000 mL.

Flow rate: Adjust so that the retention time of cefteram pivoxil is about 14 minutes.

System suitability—

System performance: When the procedure is run with 10 μL of the standard solution under the above operating conditions, the internal standard and cefteram pivoxil are eluted in this order with the resolution between these peaks being not less than 3.

System repeatability: When the test is repeated 6 times with 10 μL of the standard solution under the above operating conditions, the relative standard deviation of the ratios of the peak area of cefteram pivoxil to that of the internal standard is not more than 1.0%.

Containers and storage Containers—Tight containers.

Storage—In a cold place.

Cefteram Pivoxil Fine Granules

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Cefteram Pivoxil Fine Granules contain not less than 90.0% and not more than 110.0% of the labeled potency of cefteram ($C_{16}H_{17}N_9O_5S_2$: 479.49).

Method of preparation Prepare as directed under Granules, with Cefteram Pivoxil.

Identification Powder Cefteram Pivoxil Fine Granules. To a portion of the powder, equivalent to 0.1 g (potency) of Cefteram Pivoxil, add 20 mL of methanol, shake well, and filter. To 1 mL of the filtrate add 0.05 mol/L hydrochloric acid-methanol TS to make 500 mL, and determine the absorption spectrum as directed under Ultraviolet-visible Spectrophotometry ⟨*2.24*⟩: it exhibits a maximum between 262 nm and 266 nm.

Purity Related substances—Powder Cefteram Pivoxil Fine Granules, if necessary. To a portion, equivalent to 0.1 g (potency) of Cefteram Pivoxil, add diluted acetonitrile (1 in 2) to make 100 mL, disperse the particle with the aid of ultrasonic waves, then filter, and use the filtrate as the sample solution. Pipet 1 mL of the sample solution, add the mobile phase to make exactly 50 mL, and use this solution as the standard solution. Perform the test with exactly 10 μL each of the sample solution and standard solution as directed under Liquid Chromatography ⟨*2.01*⟩ according to the following conditions, and determine each peak area by the automatic integration method: the area of the peak, having the relative retention time of about 0.9 to cefteram pivoxil obtained from the sample solution, is not larger than 1.75 times the peak area of cefteram pivoxil obtained from the standard solution, the area of the peak, having the relative retention time of about 0.1 from the sample solution, is not larger than 17/25 times the peak area of cefteram pivoxil from the standard solution, and the total area of the peaks other than cefteram pivoxil from the sample solution is not larger than 3.7 times the peak area of cefteram pivoxil from the standard solution. For the area of the peak, having the relative retention time of about 0.1 to cefteram pivoxil, multiply the relative response factor, 0.74.

Operating conditions—

Proceed as directed in the operating conditions in tne Purity (2) under Cefteram Pivoxil.

System suitability—

Proceed as directed in the system suitability in the Purity (2) under Cefteram Pivoxil.

Water ⟨*2.48*⟩ Not more than 0.3% (0.1 g (potency), coulometric titration).

Uniformity of dosage units ⟨*6.02*⟩ The Granules in single-dose packages meet the requirement of the Mass variation test.

Dissolution Being specified separately when the drug is granted approval based on the Law.

Assay Powder Cefteram Pivoxil Fine Granules, if necessary. Weigh accurately an amount of the powder, equivalent to about 0.3 g (potency) of Ceteram Pivoxil, add exactly 30 mL of the internal standard solution and diluted acetonitrile (1 in 2) to make 300 mL. Disperse the particle with the aid of ultrasonic waves, then filter, and use the filtrate as the sample solution. Separately, weigh accurately an amount of Cefteram Pivoxil Mesitylene Sulfonate RS, equivalent to