Pharmacy Services

COMPOUND EVALUATION FORM			
Compound Name: Amiodarone	Container-closure system(s): tight, light resistant container		
Strength: 5 mg/mL	Preservatives: preservatives contained in Ora Blend		
Dosage Form: Oral Suspension	Beyond Use Date (compound type): 90 days refrigerated		
Product Description: Opaque Suspension	Storage: Refrigeration preferred		
Auxiliary Labels: Shake Well, Refrigerate			
Quality control procedures (ex: pH test, etc.): pH testing, visual inspection of the final product			
Ingredients:			
Amiodarone 200 mg tablets			
Sodium Bicarbonate Powder			
Sterile Water for Irrigation			
Ora-Blend (QS) final product			

Instructions for preparation:

1. Weigh out sodium bicarbonate powder and place in graduate.

2. Add sufficient sterile water for irrigation to graduate containing sodium bicarbonate powder to prepare a sodium bicarbonate 50 mg/mL solution. Stir well to ensure powder is fully dissolved.

3. Measure an amount of Ora Blend equal to anticipated final product volume in a graduated cylinder. Add small amounts of the sodium bicarbonate solution prepared in step 2 and stir well to adjust the pH of Ora Blend to create a buffered suspension. The buffered suspension must have a final $pH = 6.5 \pm 0.5$.

4. Crush tablets in a mortar and triturate into a fine powder with a pestle.

5. Wet powder with a minimal amount of buffered suspension and levigate to form a viscous, but smooth and uniform paste.

6. Continue adding suspension geometrically, mixing well after each addition.

Ingredient OS Quantity Units Name/Strength/Form 5 Amiodarone 200 mg tablets tablets Sodium Bicarbonate 3 grams Powder Sterile Water for 60 mL Irrigation Ora Blend Χ 200 mL



Calculations:

7. QS to final volume with buffered suspension. Foaming may occur during preparation, allow the product to settle for 10 minutes and perform an additional QS if necessary. Any excess buffered suspension may be discarded.

Notes: Suspension will clump if buffer is not added.

Equipment/ Supplies:

X Mortar and Pestle	X Stirring rod	□ Ointment slab
X Graduated cylinder(s)	□ Spatula	□ Balance
□ Weigh paper	X Amber (plastic/glass) bottle	□ Ointment jar
X Counting tray	□ Syringe	□ Funnel
		X pH meter

References:

USP. Amiodarone Hydrochloride Oral Suspension In: USP-NF. Rockville, MD: USP; June 2022

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