

日本薬局方における定量 NMR (qNMR) の利用に関する
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Preliminary Studies for Application of Quantitative NMR (qNMR)
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Summary

Preliminary studies were performed to establish the quantitative nuclear magnetic resonance ("qNMR" test) in the crude drug test section of the Japanese Pharmacopoeia (JP). In this report, we examined impurity signals from internal reference substances and targeted marker compounds, chemical shifts of internal reference substances, and the suitability of signal peaks of targeted marker compounds for qNMR.

For example, the internal reference substance 1,4-BTMSB-*d*₄ showed an impurity signal at about 7.3ppm derived from 1,4-(Me₃Si)₂-C₆D₃H in the highly accumulated NMR spectrum at 400 MHz. The impurity signal increased time-dependently in CDCl₃, but not in CD₃OD or CD₃COCD₃. This impurity signal interfered with integration of the signal of geniposide at 7.26ppm. Therefore, we consider that this signal of geniposide is unsuitable for quantification. Our data also suggest that it is important to measure qNMR immediately after sample preparation when CDCl₃ is used as the solvent. Similarly, the highly accumulated NMR spectrum of another internal reference substance, DSS-*d*₆, showed impurity signals at 0.59, 1.72 and 2.88ppm in D₂O and at 0.48, 1.54 and 2.37ppm in DMSO-*d*₆, which are derived from Me₃SiCHDCD₂CD₂SO₃Na, Me₃SiCD₂CHDCD₂SO₃Na, and Me₃SiCD₂CD₂CHDSO₃Na, respectively. Therefore, it is considered essential that the spectral regions around these impurity signals be avoided in selecting suitable signals of targeted compounds for integration. Very small, but distinct, impurity signals also appeared in the spectra of several targeted marker compounds when the data were obtained under highly accumulated (about 3800 times) conditions. These observations suggest that prior determination of impurity signals arising from the internal reference substances and the targeted samples would be essential to assure the validity of qNMR.

The present results are expected to be helpful in the process of establishing "the qNMR test" in the JP.

Key words

Quantitative NMR, Impurity signals, Japanese Pharmacopoeia, 1,4-BTMSB-*d*₄, DSS-*d*₆, Marker compounds