

## Commentary

## June Accelerated Revision Posting

June 28, 2024

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Monograph/Section(s): Clonidine Transdermal System / Organic Impurities

**Expert Committee:** Small Molecules 2

No. of Commenters: 1

**Comment Summary #1:** The commenter comments that the removal of the *Organic Impurities* test and limit for clonidine related compound B, does a disservice to prospective generic manufacturers. The commenter requests the test not be deleted and suggests to revise the acceptance criteria as total clonidine related compound B per Transdermal System.

**Response:** Comment not incorporated. The IRA is addressing the urgent regulatory concerns regarding acceptance criteria for *Organic Impurities*. USP will engage with stakeholders to explore new ways of including information regarding specified impurities/degradation products within the public standard in a manner that will not impede generic development.

**Monograph/Sections:** Norgestimate/Organic impurities **Expert Committee:** Chemical Medicines Monographs 5

No. of Commenters: 2

**Comment #1:** The commenter recommended tightening the limit for "Any unspecified impurity" to be consistent with ICH Q3A in the test for organic impurities.

**Response:** Comment not incorporated. The comment is out of scope of this revision USP will consider this recommendation in a future revision of the monograph.

**Comment Summary #2:** The commenter recommended removing the reporting threshold in the test for Organic Impurities as it will vary based on product-specific factors.

**Response:** Comment not incorporated. General Chapter (477) User-Determined Reporting Thresholds was published in USP-NF 2024 Issue 1; this chapter supports a flexible reporting Commentary for Interim Revision Announcements published on January 26, 2024 threshold to accommodate product-specific factors. The Expert Committee may consider incorporating this new approach in future revisions.