ORA-Sweet® SF

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Sugar-Free Flavored Oral Syrup Vehicle

Available through your wholesaler or distributor.

ORA-Sweet® SF is a sugar-free, alcohol-free syrup vehicle used to simplify the process of flavoring and sweetening extemporaneous compounded sugar-free oral preparations. ORA-Sweet® SF allows the pharmacist to formulate elegant, sugar-free sweetened products with minimum time and maximum dependability. It is flavored with a citrus-berry blend for a highly palatable taste.

Applications

ORA-Sweet® SF may be used alone or in combination with other agents. ORA-Sweet® SF will retain its flavoring properties when diluted up to 50% with water or suspending agents. Its versatility makes it ideal for the flavoring of:

- Pediatric suspensions
- Geriatric suspensions

How to Use

ORA-Sweet® SF is the ideal flavoring and sweetening agent for many suspensions, but it is specially formulated to complement Padagis' suspending vehicle ORA-Plus®. ORA-Sweet® SF and ORA-Plus® can be combined in a 50/50 ratio to produce a pleasant tasting elegant suspension.

Properties

ORA-Sweet® SF does not contain sugar or alcohol. A small amount of sodium saccharin imparts sweetness to ORA-Sweet® SF. Xanthan gum, glycerin and sorbitol contribute to both texture and good flow characteristics. ORA-Sweet® SF contains flavoring agents to increase palatability. ORA-Sweet® SF is buffered to a slightly acidic pH to help diminish degradation of medicinal agents through oxidation.

Contains:

Purified water, glycerin, sorbitol, sodium saccharin, xanthan gum, and berry citrus flavor. Buffered with citric acid and sodium citrate. Preserved with methylparaben (0.03%), propylparaben (0.008%), and potassium sorbate (0.1%).

Specifications

Appearance: Clear liquid with a slight tint

pH range: 4.0 - 4.4

Taste: Sweet citrus-berry flavor

Osmolality: Approximately 1979 mOsm/kg

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Compounding Examples

ALPRAZOLAM 1 mg/mL, 120 mL[2]

Alprazolam 2 mg/tablet	60 tablets
ORA-Plus®	60 mL
ORA-Sweet® SF*	q.s. 120 mL

- Expiration 60 days
- Protect from light
- Shake well before using

LABETALOL HYDROCHLORIDE 40 mg/mL, 120 mL[1]

Labetalol HCl 300 mg/tablet	16 tablets
ORA-Plus®	60 mL
ORA-Sweet® SF*	q.s. 120 mL

- Expiration 60 days
- Protect from light
- Shake well before using

SPIRONOLACTONE 5 mg/mL plus HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE 5 mg/mL, 120 mL[1]

Spironolactone-Hydrochlorothiazide 25 mg/25 mg/tablet	24 tablets
ORA-Plus®	60 mL
ORA-Sweet® SF*	q.s. 120 mL

- Expiration 60 days
- Protect from light
- Shake well before using

HYDRALAZINE HYDROCHLORIDE 4 mg/mL, 100 mL[2]

Hydralazine Hydrochloride 100 mg/tablet	4 tablets
ORA-Plus®	50 mL
ORA-Sweet® SF*	q.s. 100 mL

- Expiration 2 days
- Protect from light
- Shake well before using
- Store in refrigerator

METOPROLOL TARTRATE 10 mg/mL, 120 mL[1]

Metoprolol Tartrate 100 mg/tablet	12 tablets
ORA-Plus®	60 mL
ORA-Sweet® SF*	q.s. 120 mL

- Expiration 60 days
- Protect from light
- Shake well before using

VERAPAMIL HYDROCHLORIDE 50 mg/mL, 120 mL[1]

Verapamil HCl 80 mg/tablet	75 tablets
ORA-Plus®	60 mL
ORA-Sweet® SF*	q.s. 120 mL

- Expiration 60 days
- Protect from light
- Shake well before using

General Directions for Compounding ORA-Sweet® SF*/ORA-Plus® Suspensions

ORA-Sweet® SF and ORA-Plus® should be combined in a 50/50 ratio to achieve optimal formulation.

- Calculate the total amount of active ingredient and volume of solution needed to create a suspension of the proper concentration. (Calculations are provided in the examples to the left.) *It may be wise to add approximately 10% overage for compounding losses.*
- Crush tablets with a mortar and pestle to a fine powder. If the compound is already in the powder form, use the mortar and pestle to smooth out the powder.
- Add a small amount of **ORA-Plus®** and triturate to a thick, smooth paste. Add the remainder of the **ORA-Plus®** by geometric dilution. *The amount of ORA-Plus® should be 50% of the total solution.*
- Bring the suspension to a final volume using **ORA-Sweet® SF***. Mix briefly with a mortar and pestle until a uniform suspension is formed.
- Dispense in a tight, light resistant amber bottle with appropriate labeling.
- Label with an expiration date. *If the stability of the medication in an oral suspension or syrup is unknown, conservative dating is suggested.*
- Depending on the medicinal agent used, label containers “Shake Well Before Using”, “Protect From Light”, and “Keep Refrigerated”.

*ORA-Sweet® SF may be substituted with ORA-Sweet®. Both products may be used in a 1:1 ratio with ORA-Plus®.

[1]American Journal of Health-System Pharmacists 1996; 53:2304-2309.
[2]American Journal of Health-System Pharmacists 1998; 55:1915-20.

Contraindications
ORA-Sweet® SF is contraindicated in persons who have shown hypersensitivity to any of the listed ingredients.

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