

## Hydrocortisone Suspension 2 mg/mL\*

### INGREDIENTS:

Hydrocortisone 10 mg tablet	24 tablets
Ora-Plus/Ora-Sweet*	QSAD: 120 mL

### EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES:

Powder containment hood, mortar and pestle, graduated cylinder

### PREPARATION DETAILS:

1. Triturate tablets to a fine powder with a mortar and pestle.
2. Levigate powder with a small amount of vehicle to form a paste.
3. Add vehicle in increasing amounts while mixing thoroughly.
4. Transfer contents of the mortar to a graduated cylinder.
5. Rinse the mortar and pestle with vehicle and pour into graduated cylinder.
6. Add vehicle to the graduated cylinder to achieve the total volume indicated above.
7. Transfer contents of the graduated cylinder into an appropriately sized amber bottle.
8. Shake well to mix.

**Special Instructions** — \*Mix 60 mL of Ora-Plus with 60 mL of Ora-Sweet. Use mixture as vehicle or use Ora-Blend.

**Quality-Control Procedures** — Visually inspect for physical appearance of formulation and container closure integrity (no leakage, cracks in container, or improper seals).

**Labeling Requirements** — Extemporaneously compounded preparation. For oral use only. Store at room temperature or refrigerate. Shake well before use.

**Storage Conditions/Stability** — Store at room temperature or refrigerate. Stable for 91 days.

### STABILITY STUDY DETAILS:

**Study Container Type** — Amber plastic prescription bottle

**Referenced Manufacturers** — Hydrocortisone tablets (Cortef, Pharmacia & Upjohn); Ora-Sweet, Ora-Plus (Paddock Laboratories, LLC).

**Stability-Indicating Study** — Yes

### REFERENCE

1. Chong G, Decarie D, Ensom MHH. Stability of hydrocortisone in extemporaneously compounded suspension. *J Inform Pharmacotherapy*. 2003;13:100-110.