Michigan Collaborative Standardization of Compounded Oral Liquids

Drug name: Diltiazem Dosage Form: Suspension

Concentration: 12 mg/mL **Shelf Life:** 60 days

Route: Oral Storage: Room Temp

Volume: 120 mL Auxiliary Labeling: Shake Well; Protect from Light

Ingredients	QS	Quantity	Units
Diltiazem HCl 90 mg		16	Tablets
Ora-Sweet	Υ	60	mL
Ora-Plus	Υ	60	mL

Directions:

- 1. Place diltiazem tablets in a mortar and comminute to fine powder
- 2. Mix 60 mL of Ora-Sweet with 60 mL of Ora-Plus to use as vehicle shake well before use
- 3. Add approximately 10 mL of vehicle to powder and mix to a uniform paste
- 4. Add vehicle in geometric portions almost to volume, mixing thoroughly after each addition
- 5. Transfer contents of mortar to graduated cylinder
- 6. Rinse mortar and pestle with vehicle solution and transfer to graduated cylinder
- 7. QS with vehicle to bring final volume to 120 mL
- 8. Transfer to plastic amber bottle
- 9. Shake well

Notes:

May substitute Ora-Sweet/Ora-Plus with Cherry Syrup

References:

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