

with isooctane to a distance of about 10 cm, and air-dry the plate. Spray evenly diluted sulfuric acid (1 in 2) on the plate, heat the plate at 80°C for 5 minutes, cool, and examine under ultraviolet light (main wavelength: 365 nm): no fluorescent spot is observable same level of the spot of standard solution. Use a thin-layer plate previously developed with isooctane to the upper end, dried in air, and heated at 110°C for 60 minutes.

Loss on drying Not more than 0.5% (1 g, 105°C, 2 hours).

Total ash Not more than 0.1% (proceed as directed in the Total ash under the Crude Drugs).

Containers and storage Containers—Well-closed containers.

Storage—Not exceeding 30°C.

Lard

Adeps Suillus

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Lard is the fat obtained from *Sus scrofa* Linné var. *domesticus* Gray (*Suidae*).

Description Lard occurs as a white, soft, unctuous mass, and has a faint, characteristic odor and a bland taste.

It is freely soluble in diethyl ether and in petroleum ether, very slightly soluble in ethanol (95), and practically insoluble in water.

Melting point: 36 – 42°C (Method 2)

Congealing point of the fatty acids: 36 – 42°C

Acid value Not more than 2.0.

Saponification value 195 – 203

Iodine value 46 – 70

Purity (1) Moisture and coloration—Melt 5 g of Lard by heating on a water bath: it forms a clear liquid, from which no water separates. Observe the liquid in a layer 10 mm thick: the liquid is colorless to slightly yellow.

(2) Alkali—To 2.0 g of Lard add 10 mL of water, melt by warming on a water bath, and shake vigorously. After cooling, add 1 drop of phenolphthalein TS to the separated water layer: the layer is colorless.

(3) Chloride—To 1.5 g of Lard add 30 mL of ethanol (95), boil for 10 minutes under a reflux condenser, and filter after cooling. To 20 mL of the filtrate add 5 drops of a solution of silver nitrate in ethanol (95) (1 in 50): the opalescence of the mixture does not exceed that of the following control solution.

Control solution: To 1.0 mL of 0.01 mol/L hydrochloric acid VS add ethanol (95) to make 20 mL, and add 5 drops of a solution of silver nitrate in ethanol (95) (1 in 50).

(4) Beef tallow—Dissolve 5 g of Lard in 20 mL of diethyl ether, stopper lightly with absorbent cotton, and allow to stand at 20°C for 18 hours. Collect the separated crystals, moisten them with ethanol (95), and examine under a microscope of 200 magnifications: the crystals are in the form of rhomboidal plates grouped irregularly, and do not contain prisms or needles grouped in fan-shaped clusters.

Containers and storage Containers—Well-closed containers.

Storage—Not exceeding 30°C.

Lauromacrogol

Polyoxyethylene Lauryl Alcohol Ether

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Lauromacrogol is a polyoxyethylene ether prepared by the polymerization of ethylene oxide with lauryl alcohol.

Description Lauromacrogol is a colorless or light yellow, clear liquid or a white, petrolatum-like or waxy solid. It has a characteristic odor, and a somewhat bitter and slightly irritative taste.

It is very soluble in ethanol (95), in diethyl ether and in carbon tetrachloride.

It is freely soluble or dispersed as fine oily drops in water.

Identification (1) Shake well 0.5 g of Lauromacrogol with 10 mL of water and 5 mL of ammonium thiocyanate-cobalt nitrate TS, then shake with 5 mL of chloroform, and allow to stand: the chloroform layer becomes blue in color.

(2) Dissolve 0.35 g of Lauromacrogol in 10 mL of carbon tetrachloride, and perform the test as directed in the Solution method under the Infrared Spectrophotometry using a 0.1-mm fixed cell: it exhibits absorption at the wave numbers of about 1347 cm⁻¹, 1246 cm⁻¹ and 1110 cm⁻¹.

Purity (1) Acid—Transfer 10.0 g of Lauromacrogol into a flask, and add 50 mL of neutralized ethanol. Heat on a water bath nearly to boil, shaking once or twice while heating. Cool, and add 5.3 mL of 0.1 mol/L sodium hydroxide VS and 5 drops of phenolphthalein TS: a red color develops.

(2) Unsaturated compound—Shake 0.5 g of Lauromacrogol with 10 mL of water, and add 5 drops of bromine TS: the color of the solution does not disappear.

Residue on ignition Not more than 0.20% (1 g).

Containers and storage Containers—Tight containers.

Lithospermum Root

Lithospermi Radix

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Lithospermum Root is the root of *Lithospermum erythrorhizon* Siebold et Zuccarini (*Boraginaceae*).

Description Rather slender conical root, often branched, 6 – 10 cm in length, 0.5 – 1.5 cm in diameter; externally dark purple, coarse in texture, thin and easily peeled; mostly with twisted and deep longitudinal furrows, which sometimes reach to xylem; sometimes remains of stem at the crown; easily broken; fractured surface granular and with many clefts. Under a magnifying glass, a transverse section reveals a dark

purple color at the outer portion of cortex, and light brown inner portion making irregular wave; xylem yellowish in color; the center of the crown is often cracked, and the surrounding part red-purple. Odor, slight; taste, slightly sweet.

Identification (1) Heat 0.5 g of pulverized Lithospermum Root in a test tube: red vapor evolves, which condenses on the wall of the upper part of the tube into red-brown oil drops.

(2) Shake 0.5 g of pieces or powder of Lithospermum Root with 1 mL of ethanol (95), and to the red solution thereby obtained add 1 drop of sodium hydroxide TS: the red color changes to blue-purple. To this solution add 1 to 2 drops of dilute hydrochloric acid: the color turns red again.

(3) To 0.5 g of pulverized Lithospermum Root add 5 mL of ethanol (95), shake for 30 minutes, filter, and evaporate the filtrate at a temperature not higher than 40°C under reduced pressure. Add 1 mL of ethanol (95) to the residue, and use this solution as the sample solution. Perform the test with this solution as directed under the Thin-layer Chromatography. Spot 5 μ L of the sample solution on a plate of silica gel for thin-layer chromatography. Develop the plate with a mixture of ethyl acetate and ethanol (95) (3:1) to a distance of about 10 cm, and air-dry the plate: a red-purple spot appears around the *R_f* 0.75.

Total ash Not more than 11.0%.

Acid-insoluble ash Not more than 3.5%.

Longgu

Fossilia Ossis Mastodi

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Longgu is the ossified bone of large mammal, and is mainly composed of calcium carbonate.

Description Irregular masses or fragments, occasionally cylindrical masses; externally light grayish white, sometimes with grayish black or yellow-brown spots here and there; the outer part consists of a layer 2 – 10 mm in thickness, and is minute in texture, surrounding the light brown, porous portion; heavy and hard, but somewhat fragile in texture; when crushed, it changes into pieces and powder. Odorless, tasteless, and strongly adhesive to the tongue on licking.

Identification (1) Dissolve 0.5 g of pulverized Longgu in 10 mL of dilute hydrochloric acid: it evolves a gas, and forms a slightly brownish and turbid solution. Pass the gas evolved through calcium hydroxide TS: a white precipitate is produced.

(2) The turbid solution, obtained in (1), has a characteristic odor. Filter this solution, and neutralize with ammonia TS: the solution responds to the Qualitative test for calcium salt.

(3) Dissolve 0.1 g of pulverized Longgu in 5 mL of nitric acid by warming, and add hexaammonium heptamolybdate TS: a yellow precipitate is produced.

Purity (1) Heavy metals—To 2.0 g of pulverized Longgu add 5 mL of water, shake to mix, add carefully 6 mL of hydrochloric acid, and evaporate on a water bath to dryness.

Dissolve the residue in 50 mL of water, and filter. To 25 mL of the filtrate add 2 mL of dilute acetic acid, 1 drop of ammonia TS and water to make 50 mL. Perform the test using this solution as the test solution. Prepare the control solution as follows: Evaporate 3 mL of hydrochloric acid on a water bath to dryness, add 2 mL of dilute acetic acid and 2.0 mL of Standard Lead Solution, and add water to make 50 mL (not more than 20 ppm).

(2) Arsenic—Prepare the test solution with 0.20 g of pulverized Longgu according to Method 2, and perform the test using Apparatus B (not more than 10 ppm).

Macrogol 400

Polyethylene Glycol 400

マクロゴール 400

Macrogol 400 is a polymer of ethylene oxide and water, represented by the formula $\text{HOCH}_2(\text{CH}_2\text{OCH}_2)_n\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$, in which the value of *n* ranges from 7 to 9.

Description Macrogol 400 occurs as a clear, colorless and viscous liquid. It has no odor or a slight, characteristic odor.

It is miscible with water, with methanol, with ethanol (95) and with pyridine.

It is soluble in diethyl ether.

It is slightly hygroscopic.

Congealing point: 4 – 8°C

Specific gravity d_{20}^{20} : 1.110 – 1.140

Identification Dissolve 0.05 g of Macrogol 400 in 5 mL of dilute hydrochloric acid, add 1 mL of barium chloride TS, shake, and filter, if necessary. To the filtrate add 1 mL of a solution of phosphomolybdic acid *n*-hydrate (1 in 10): a yellow-green precipitate is formed.

pH Dissolve 1.0 g of Macrogol 400 in 20 mL of water: the pH of this solution is between 4.0 and 7.0.

Purity (1) Acid—Dissolve 5.0 g of Macrogol 400 in 20 mL of neutralized ethanol, and add 2 drops of phenolphthalein TS and 0.20 mL of 0.1 mol/L sodium hydroxide VS: the solution is red in color.

(2) Ethylene glycol and diethylene glycol—Dissolve 4.0 g of Macrogol 400 in water to make exactly 10 mL, and use this solution as the sample solution. Weigh accurately about 0.05 g each of ethylene glycol and diethylene glycol, dissolve in water to make exactly 100 mL, and use this solution as the standard solution. Perform the test with 2 μ L each of the sample solution and the standard solution as directed under the Gas Chromatography according to the following conditions. Determine the peak heights, H_{T_a} and H_{S_a} , of ethylene glycol of each solution, and the peak heights, H_{T_b} and H_{S_b} , of diethylene glycol, and calculate the amount of ethylene glycol and diethylene glycol: the sum of the contents of ethylene glycol and diethylene glycol is not more than 0.25%.