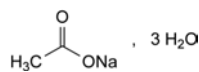


01/2008:0411 **Heavy metals** (2.4.8): maximum 10 ppm.**SODIUM ACETATE TRIHYDRATE**

Natrii acetat trihydricus

C₂H₃NaO₂·3H₂O
[6131-90-4]*M_r* 136.1**DEFINITION**

Sodium ethanoate trihydrate.

Content: 99.0 per cent to 101.0 per cent (dried substance).**CHARACTERS***Appearance*: colourless crystals.*Solubility*: very soluble in water, soluble in ethanol (96 per cent).**IDENTIFICATION**

- A. 1 mL of solution S (see Tests) gives reaction (b) of acetates (2.3.1).
 B. 1 mL of solution S gives reaction (a) of sodium (2.3.1).
 C. Loss on drying (see Tests).

TESTS**Solution S.** Dissolve 10.0 g in *carbon dioxide-free water R* prepared from *distilled water R* and dilute to 100 mL with the same solvent.**Appearance of solution.** Solution S is clear (2.2.1) and colourless (2.2.2, *Method II*).**pH** (2.2.3): 7.5 to 9.0.Dilute 5 mL of solution S to 10 mL with *carbon dioxide-free water R*.**Reducing substances.** Dissolve 5.0 g in 50 mL of *water R*, then add 5 mL of *dilute sulfuric acid R* and 0.5 mL of 0.002 M *potassium permanganate*. The pink colour persists for at least 1 h. Prepare a blank in the same manner but without the substance to be examined.**Chlorides** (2.4.4): maximum 200 ppm.Dilute 2.5 mL of solution S to 15 mL with *water R*.**Sulfates** (2.4.13): maximum 200 ppm.Dilute 7.5 mL of solution S to 15 mL with *distilled water R*.**Aluminium** (2.4.17): maximum 0.2 ppm, if intended for use in the manufacture of dialysis solutions.**Prescribed solution.** Dissolve 20 g in 100 mL of *water R* and adjust to pH 6.0 by the addition of 1 M *hydrochloric acid* (about 10 mL).**Reference solution.** Mix 2 mL of *aluminium standard solution* (2 ppm Al) *R*, 10 mL of *acetate buffer solution pH 6.0 R* and 98 mL of *water R*.**Blank solution.** Mix 10 mL of *acetate buffer solution pH 6.0 R* and 100 mL of *water R*.**Arsenic** (2.4.2, *Method A*): maximum 2 ppm, determined on 0.5 g.**Calcium and magnesium**: maximum 50 ppm, calculated as Ca.To 200 mL of *water R* add 10 mL of *ammonium chloride buffer solution pH 10.0 R*, 0.1 g of *mordant black 11 triturate R*, 2.0 mL of 0.05 M *zinc chloride* and, dropwise, 0.02 M *sodium edetate* until the colour changes from violet to blue. Add to the solution 10.0 g of the substance to be examined and shake to dissolve. Titrate with 0.02 M *sodium edetate* until the blue colour is restored. Not more than 0.65 mL of 0.02 M *sodium edetate* is required.12 mL of solution S complies with test A. Prepare the reference solution using *lead standard solution* (1 ppm Pb) *R*.**Iron** (2.4.9): maximum 10 ppm, determined on 10 mL of solution S.**Loss on drying** (2.2.32): 39.0 per cent to 40.5 per cent, determined on 1.000 g by drying in an oven at 130 °C. Introduce the substance to be examined into the oven while the latter is cold.**ASSAY**Dissolve 0.250 g in 50 mL of *anhydrous acetic acid R*, add 5 mL of *acetic anhydride R*, mix and allow to stand for 30 min. Using 0.3 mL of *naphtholbenzein solution R* as indicator, titrate with 0.1 M *perchloric acid* until a green colour is obtained.1 mL of 0.1 M *perchloric acid* is equivalent to 8.20 mg of C₂H₃NaO₂.**STORAGE**

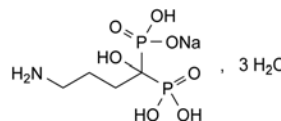
In an airtight container.

LABELLING

The label states, where applicable, that the substance is suitable for use in the manufacture of dialysis solutions.

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corrected 6.3**SODIUM ALENDRONATE**

Natrii alendronas

C₄H₁₂NNaO₇P₂·3H₂O
[121268-17-5]*M_r* 325.1**DEFINITION**

Sodium alendronate contains not less than 98.0 per cent and not more than the equivalent of 102.0 per cent of (4-amino-1-hydroxybutylidene)bisphosphonic acid monosodium salt, calculated with reference to the dried substance.

CHARACTERS

A white or almost white, crystalline powder, soluble in water, very slightly soluble in methanol, practically insoluble in methylene chloride.

IDENTIFICATION

- A. Examine by infrared absorption spectrophotometry (2.2.24), comparing with the spectrum obtained with *sodium alendronate CRS*. Examine the substances prepared as discs.
 B. It gives reaction (a) of sodium (2.3.1).

TESTS**Solution S.** Dissolve 0.5 g in *carbon dioxide-free water R* prepared from *distilled water R* and dilute to 50 mL with the same solvent.**Appearance of solution.** Solution S is clear (2.2.1) and not more intensely coloured than reference solution B₇ or BY₇ (2.2.2, *Method II*).**pH** (2.2.3). The pH of solution S is 4.0 to 5.0.**4-aminobutanoic acid.** Examine by thin-layer chromatography (2.2.27), using a *TLC silica gel plate R*.**Test solution.** Dissolve 0.10 g of the substance to be examined in *water R* and dilute to 10 mL with the same solvent.**Reference solution (a).** Dissolve 0.10 g of 4-aminobutanoic acid *R* in *water R* and dilute to 200 mL with the same solvent.