

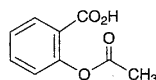
Standardization—Weigh accurately about 0.05 g of Ascorbic Acid Reference Standard, previously dried in a desiccator (silica gel) for 24 hours, and dissolve in metaphosphoric acid-acetic acid TS to make exactly 100 mL. Pipet 2 mL of this solution, shake with 8 mL of metaphosphoric acid-acetic acid TS and 2 mL of hydrogen peroxide TS, and titrate with 2,6-dichloroindophenol sodium TS for titration until a light red color persists for 5 seconds. Perform a blank determination, and make any necessary correction. Calculate the quantity (*A* mg) of L-ascorbic acid (C₆H₈O₆) equivalent to 1 mL of this test solution.

Containers and storage Containers—Tight containers.

Aspirin

Acetylsalicylic Acid

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C₉H₈O₄: 180.16
2-Acetoxybenzoic acid [50-78-2]

Aspirin, when dried, contains not less than 99.5% of C₉H₈O₄.

Description Aspirin occurs as white crystals, granules or powder. It is odorless, and has a slight acid taste.

It is freely soluble in ethanol (95) and in acetone, soluble in diethyl ether, and slightly soluble in water.

It dissolves in sodium hydroxide TS and in sodium carbonate TS.

In moist air, it gradually hydrolyzes to salicylic acid and acetic acid.

Melting point: about 136°C (bath fluid is heated at 130°C previously).

Identification (1) Boil 0.1 g of Aspirin in 5 mL of water for 5 to 6 minutes, cool, and add 1 to 2 drops of iron (III) chloride TS: a red-purple color is produced.

(2) Boil 0.5 g of Aspirin in 10 mL of sodium carbonate TS for 5 minutes, and add 10 mL of dilute sulfuric acid: the odor of acetic acid is perceptible, and a white precipitate is produced. Filter the precipitate, add 3 mL of ethanol (95) and 3 mL of sulfuric acid to the filtrate, and heat: the odor of ethyl acetate is perceptible.

Purity (1) Clarity of solution—Dissolve 0.5 g of Aspirin in 10 mL of warm sodium carbonate TS: the solution is clear.

(2) Salicylic acid—Dissolve 2.5 g of Aspirin in 25 mL of ethanol (95), and add 1.0 mL of this solution to a solution which is prepared by transferring 1 mL of a freshly prepared dilute ammonium iron (III) sulfate TS to a Nessler tube and diluting with water to 50 mL. Allow to stand for 30 seconds: the solution has no more color than the following control solution.

Control solution: Dissolve 0.100 g of salicylic acid in water, and add 1 mL of acetic acid (100) and water to make

1000 mL. Add 1.0 mL of this solution to a solution which is prepared by transferring 1 mL of freshly prepared dilute ammonium iron (III) sulfate TS and 1 mL of ethanol (95) to a Nessler tube and diluting with water to 50 mL. Allow to stand for 30 seconds.

(3) Chloride—Boil 1.8 g of Aspirin in 75 mL of water for 5 minutes, cool, add water to make 75 mL, and filter. To 25 mL of the filtrate add 6 mL of dilute nitric acid and water to make 50 mL, and perform the test using this solution as the test solution. Prepare the control solution with 0.25 mL of 0.01 mol/L hydrochloric acid VS (not more than 0.015%).

(4) Sulfate—To 25 mL of the filtrate obtained in (3) add 1 mL of dilute hydrochloric acid and water to make 50 mL. Perform the test using this solution as the test solution. Prepare the control solution with 0.50 mL of 0.005 mol/L sulfuric acid VS (not more than 0.040%).

(5) Heavy metals—Dissolve 2.5 g of Aspirin in 30 mL of acetone, add 2 mL of dilute acetic acid and water to make 50 mL, and perform the test using this solution as the test solution. Prepare the control solution with 2.5 mL of Standard Lead Solution, 30 mL of acetone, 2 mL of dilute acetic acid and water to make 50 mL (not more than 10 ppm).

(6) Readily carbonizable substances—Weigh 0.5 g of Aspirin, and perform the test. The solution has no more color than Matching Fluid Q.

Loss on drying Not more than 0.5% (3 g, silica gel, 5 hours).

Residue on ignition Not more than 0.10% (1 g).

Assay Weigh accurately about 1.5 g of Aspirin, previously dried, add exactly 50 mL of 0.5 mol/L sodium hydroxide VS, and boil gently for 10 minutes under a reflux condenser with a carbon dioxide-absorbing tube (soda lime). Cool, and titrate immediately the excess sodium hydroxide with 0.25 mol/L sulfuric acid VS (indicator: 3 drops of phenolphthalein TS). Perform a blank determination.

Each mL of 0.5 mol/L sodium hydroxide VS
= 45.04 mg of C₉H₈O₄

Containers and storage Containers—Well-closed containers.

Aspirin Tablets

Acetylsalicylic Acid Tablets

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Aspirin Tablets contain not less than 95% and not more than 105% of the labeled amount of aspirin (C₉H₈O₄: 180.16).

Method of preparation Prepare as directed under Tablets, with Aspirin.

Identification (1) Weigh a quantity of powdered Aspirin Tablets, equivalent to 0.1 g of Aspirin according to the labeled amount, add 10 mL of water, and boil for 5 to 6 minutes. After cooling, filter, and add 1 to 2 drops of iron (III) chloride TS to the filtrate: a red-violet color develops.

(2) Weigh a portion of powdered Aspirin Tablets, equivalent to 0.5 g of Aspirin according to the labeled amount, extract with two 10-mL portions of warm ethanol (95), and filter the combined extracts. Evaporate the filtrate to dryness, and boil the residue with 10 mL of sodium carbonate TS for 5 minutes. Proceed as directed in the Identification (2) under Aspirin.

Purity Salicylic acid—Take a portion of the powdered Aspirin Tablets, equivalent to 1.0 g of Aspirin according to the labeled amount, shake with 15 mL of ethanol (95) for 5 minutes, filter, discard the first 5 mL of the filtrate, and add 1.0 mL of the subsequent filtrate to a solution which is prepared by transferring 1 mL of freshly prepared dilute ammonium iron (III) sulfate TS to a Nessler tube and diluting with water to make 50 mL. Proceed as directed in the Purity (2) under Aspirin.

Assay Weigh accurately and powder not less than 20 Aspirin Tablets. Weigh accurately a portion of the powder, equivalent to about 1.5 g of aspirin ($C_9H_8O_4$), add exactly 50 mL of 0.5 mol/L sodium hydroxide VS, and proceed as directed in the Assay under Aspirin.

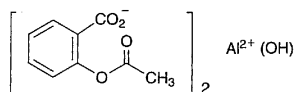
$$\begin{aligned} \text{Each mL of 0.5 mol/L sodium hydroxide VS} \\ = 45.04 \text{ mg of } C_9H_8O_4 \end{aligned}$$

Containers and storage Containers—Well-closed containers.

Aspirin Aluminum

Aluminum Acetylsalicylate

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$C_{18}H_{15}AlO_9$: 402.29

Bis(2-acetoxybenzoato)hydroxoaluminium [23413-80-1]

Aspirin Aluminum contains not less than 83.0% and not more than 90.0% of aspirin ($C_9H_8O_4$: 180.16), and not less than 6.0% and not more than 7.0% of aluminum (Al: 26.98), calculated on the anhydrous basis.

Description Aspirin Aluminum occurs as a white, crystalline powder. It is odorless or has a slight, acetic odor.

It is practically insoluble in water, in methanol, in ethanol (95) and in diethyl ether.

It dissolves, with decomposition, in sodium hydroxide TS and in sodium carbonate TS.

Identification (1) Dissolve 0.1 g of Aspirin Aluminum in 10 mL of sodium hydroxide TS by heating, if necessary. Neutralize 2 mL of the solution with hydrochloric acid, and add 1 to 2 drops of iron (III) chloride TS: a red-purple color develops.

(2) Determine the absorption spectrum of the sample solution obtained in the Assay (1) as directed under the Ultraviolet-visible Spectrophotometry: it exhibits a maximum be-

tween 277 nm and 279 nm.

(3) Place 2 g of Aspirin Aluminum in a platinum crucible, and ignite until charred. To the residue add 1 g of anhydrous sodium carbonate, and ignite for 20 minutes. After cooling, to the residue add 15 mL of dilute hydrochloric acid, shake, and filter: the filtrate responds to the Qualitative Tests for aluminum salt.

Purity (1) Salicylate—Using A_{T2} and A_{S2} obtained in the Assay (1), calculate the amount of salicylate [as salicylic acid ($C_7H_6O_3$: 138.12)] by the following equation: salicylate content is not more than 7.5%, calculated on the anhydrous basis.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Amount (mg) of salicylic acid (} C_7H_6O_3 \text{)} \\ = \text{amount (mg) of salicylic acid for assay} \\ \times \frac{A_{T2}}{A_{S2}} \times \frac{1}{4} \end{aligned}$$

(2) Heavy metals—Place 2.0 g of Aspirin Aluminum in a porcelain crucible, cover the crucible loosely, and ignite at a low temperature until charred. After cooling, add 2 mL of nitric acid and 1 mL of sulfuric acid to the content of the crucible, heat gently the crucible until white fumes are evolved, and continue the heating until white fumes are no longer evolved, then ignite between 500°C and 600°C until the carbon is incinerated. When the incineration is not completed, add 2 mL of nitric acid and 1 mL of sulfuric acid, and heat gently in the same manner, then ignite between 500°C and 600°C to incinerate completely. After cooling, add 2 mL of hydrochloric acid, and proceed as directed in Method 2, and perform the test. Prepare the control solution by using the same quantities of the same reagents as directed for the preparation of the test solution, and add 2.0 mL of Standard Lead Solution and water to make 50 mL (not more than 10 ppm).

(3) Arsenic—Dissolve 1.0 g of Aspirin Aluminum in 15 mL of sodium hydroxide TS. To this solution add 1 drop of phenolphthalein TS, and with stirring, add dropwise hydrochloric acid until the red color of the solution disappears. Then add 2 mL of hydrochloric acid, cool with occasional shaking for 10 minutes, and filter with a glass filter (G3). Wash the residue with two 5 mL portions of 1 mol/L hydrochloric acid TS, and combine the filtrate and the washings. Use this solution as the test solution, and perform the test using Apparatus B (not more than 2 ppm).

Water Not more than 4.0% (0.15 g, direct titration).

Assay (1) Aspirin—Weigh accurately about 0.1 g of Aspirin Aluminum, add 40 mL of sodium fluoride TS, and shake for 5 minutes. Allow the solution to stand for 10 minutes with frequent shaking. Extract the solution with six 20-mL portions of chloroform. Combine all chloroform extracts, and add chloroform to make exactly 200 mL. Measure exactly 10 mL of this solution, add chloroform to make exactly 100 mL, and use this solution as the sample solution. Separately, weigh accurately about 0.09 g of salicylic acid for assay, previously dried in a desiccator (silica gel) for 3 hours, and dissolve in chloroform to make exactly 200 mL. Measure exactly 5 mL of this solution, add chloroform to make exactly 200 mL, and use this solution as the standard solution (1). Then weigh accurately about 0.09 g of aspirin for assay, previously dried in a desiccator (silica gel) for 5 hours, and dissolve in chloroform to make exactly 200 mL. Measure exactly 10 mL of this solution, add chloroform to