

Benserazide Hydrochloride contains not less than 98.0% of $C_{10}H_{15}N_3O_5 \cdot HCl$, calculated on the anhydrous basis.

Description Benserazide Hydrochloride occurs as a white to grayish white, crystalline powder.

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

The pH of a solution of Benserazide Hydrochloride (1 in 100) is between 4.0 and 5.0.

It is hygroscopic.

It is gradually colored by light.

A solution of Benserazide Hydrochloride (1 in 100) shows no optical rotation.

Identification (1) Determine the absorption spectrum of a solution of Benserazide Hydrochloride in 0.1 mol/L hydrochloric acid TS (1 in 10,000) as directed under the Ultraviolet-visible Spectrophotometry, and compare the spectrum with the Reference Spectrum: both spectra exhibit similar intensities of absorption at the same wavelengths.

(2) Determine the infrared absorption spectrum of Benserazide Hydrochloride as directed in the potassium bromide disk method under the Infrared Spectrophotometry, and compare the spectrum with the Reference Spectrum: both spectra exhibit similar intensities of absorption at the same wave numbers.

(3) To 10 mL of a solution of Benserazide Hydrochloride (1 in 30) add silver nitrate TS: a white precipitate is formed. To a portion of this precipitate add dilute nitric acid: the precipitation does not dissolve.

Purity (1) Clarity and color of solution—Dissolve 0.5 g of Benserazide Hydrochloride in 10 mL of water, and perform the test with this solution as directed under the Ultraviolet-visible Spectrophotometry: the absorbance of this solution at 430 nm is not more than 0.10.

(2) Heavy metals—Proceed with 1.0 g of Benserazide Hydrochloride according to Method 2, and perform the test. Prepare the control solution with 2.0 mL of Standard Lead Solution (not more than 20 ppm).

(3) Related substances—Conduct this procedure without exposure to daylight, using light-resistant vessels. Dissolve 0.25 g of Benserazide Hydrochloride in 10 mL of methanol, and use this solution as the sample solution. Pipet 1 mL and 3 mL of the sample solution, add methanol to make exactly 200 mL, and use these solutions as the standard solution (1) and (2), respectively. Perform the test with these solutions as directed under the Thin-layer Chromatography. Spot 2 μ L each of the sample solution and the standard solution (1) and (2) on a plate of cellulose for thin-layer chromatography. Develop the plate with a solution of formic acid in sodium chloride TS (1 in 1000) to a distance of about 10 cm, and air-dry the plate. Spray evenly sodium carbonate TS, air-dry, and then spray evenly Folin's TS on the plate: the spots other than the principal spot from the sample solution are not more intense than the spot from the standard solution (2), and the number of the spots which intense more than the spot from the standard solution (1) are not more than 2.

Water Not more than 2.5% (0.5 g, direct titration). Use a solution of salicylic acid in methanol for Karl Fischer method (3 in 20) instead of methanol for Karl Fischer method.

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

Assay Weigh accurately about 0.3 g of Benserazide Hydrochloride, dissolve in 5 mL of formic acid, add 50 mL of acetic acid (100), and titrate immediately with 0.1 mol/L perchloric acid VS (potentiometric titration). Perform a blank determination, and make any necessary correction.

Each mL of 0.1 mol/L perchloric acid VS
= 29.371 mg of $C_{10}H_{15}N_3O_5 \cdot HCl$

Containers and storage Containers—Tight containers.

Storage—Light-resistant.

Benzalkonium Chloride

塩化ベンザルコニウム

Benzalkonium Chloride is represented by the formula $[C_6H_5CH_2N(CH_3)_2R]Cl$, in which R extends from C_8H_{17} to $C_{18}H_{37}$, with $C_{12}H_{25}$ and $C_{14}H_{29}$ comprising the major portion.

It contains not less than 95.0% and not more than 105.0% of benzalkonium chloride (as $C_{22}H_{40}ClN$: 354.01), calculated on the anhydrous basis.

Description Benzalkonium Chloride occurs as a white to yellowish white powder, colorless to light yellow, gelatinous pieces, or jelly-like fluid or mass. It has a characteristic odor.

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

A solution of Benzalkonium Chloride foams strongly when shaken.

Identification (1) Dissolve 0.2 g of Benzalkonium Chloride in 1 mL of sulfuric acid, add 0.1 g of sodium nitrate, and heat for 5 minutes on a water bath. After cooling, add 10 mL of water and 0.5 g of zinc powder, heat for 5 minutes, cool, and filter: the filtrate responds to the Qualitative Tests for primary aromatic amines. The color of the solution is red.

(2) To 2 mL of a solution of Benzalkonium Chloride (1 in 1000) add a mixture of 0.2 mL of a solution of bromophenol blue (1 in 2000) and 0.5 mL of sodium hydroxide TS: a blue color develops. Add 4 mL of chloroform to this solution, and shake vigorously: the blue color shifts to the chloroform layer. Collect the chloroform layer, and add dropwise, with stirring, a solution of sodium lauryl sulfate (1 in 1000): the chloroform layer turns colorless.

(3) Determine the absorption spectrum of a solution of Benzalkonium Chloride in 0.1 mol/L hydrochloric acid TS (1 in 2000) as directed under the Ultraviolet-visible Spectrophotometry, and compare the spectrum with the Reference Spectrum: both spectra exhibit similar intensities of absorption at the same wavelengths.

(4) To 1 mL of a solution of Benzalkonium Chloride (1 in 100) add 2 mL of ethanol (95), 0.5 mL of dilute nitric acid and 1 mL of silver nitrate TS: a white precipitate is produced. This precipitate does not dissolve on the addition of dilute nitric acid, but dissolves on the addition of ammonia TS.

Purity (1) Clarity and color of solution—Dissolve 1.0 g

of Benzalkonium Chloride in 10 mL of water: the solution is clear and colorless to light yellow.

(2) Petroleum ether-soluble substances—To 3.0 g of Benzalkonium Chloride add water to make 50 mL, then add 50 mL of ethanol (99.5) and 5 mL of 0.5 mol/L sodium hydroxide TS, and extract with three 50-mL portions of petroleum ether. Combine the petroleum ether extracts, and wash with three 50-mL portions of dilute ethanol. After shaking well with 10 g of anhydrous sodium sulfate, filter through a dry filter paper, and wash the filter paper with two 10-mL portions of petroleum ether. Evaporate the petroleum ether on a water bath by heating, and dry the residue at 105°C for 1 hour: the residue is not more than 1.0%.

Water Not more than 15.0%.

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

Assay Weigh accurately about 0.15 g of Benzalkonium Chloride, and dissolve in 75 mL of water. Adjust the pH between 2.6 and 3.4 by adding dropwise diluted dilute hydrochloric acid (1 in 2), add 1 drop of methyl orange TS, and titrate with 0.02 mol/L sodium tetraphenylboron VS until the color of the solution becomes red.

Each mL of 0.02 mol/L sodium tetraphenylboron VS
= 7.080 mg of $C_{22}H_{40}ClN$

Containers and storage Containers—Tight containers.

Benzalkonium Chloride Solution

塩化ベンザルコニウム液

Benzalkonium Chloride Solution is an aqueous solution containing not more than 50.0 w/v% of benzalkonium chloride.

It contains not less than 93% and not more than 107% of the labeled amount of benzalkonium chloride ($C_{22}H_{40}ClN$: 354.01).

Method of preparation Dissolve Benzalkonium Chloride in Water or Purified Water. It is also prepared by diluting Concentrated Benzalkonium Chloride Solution 50 with Water or Purified Water.

Description Benzalkonium Chloride Solution is a clear, colorless to light yellow liquid, having a characteristic odor. It foams strongly on shaking.

Identification (1) Evaporate a volume of Benzalkonium Chloride Solution, equivalent to 0.2 g of Benzalkonium Chloride according to the labeled amount, on a water bath to dryness, and proceed with the residue as directed in the Identification (1) under Benzalkonium Chloride.

(2) To a volume of Benzalkonium Chloride Solution, equivalent to 0.01 g of Benzalkonium Chloride according to the labeled amount, add water to make 10 mL. Proceed with 2 mL of this solution as directed in the Identification (2) under Benzalkonium Chloride.

(3) To a volume of Benzalkonium Chloride Solution, equivalent to 1 g of Benzalkonium Chloride according to the labeled amount, add water or concentrate on a water bath, if necessary, to make 10 mL. To 1 mL of this solution add 0.1 mol/L hydrochloric acid VS to make 200 mL, and

proceed as directed in the Identification (3) under Benzalkonium Chloride.

(4) To a volume of Benzalkonium Chloride Solution, equivalent to 0.1 g of Benzalkonium Chloride according to the labeled amount, add water or concentrate on a water bath, if necessary, to make 10 mL. Proceed with 1 mL of this solution as directed in the Identification (4) under Benzalkonium Chloride.

Assay Pipet a volume of Benzalkonium Chloride Solution, equivalent to about 0.15 g of benzalkonium chloride ($C_{22}H_{40}ClN$), dilute with water to make 75 mL, if necessary, and proceed as directed in the Assay under Benzalkonium Chloride.

Each mL of 0.02 mol/L sodium tetraphenylboron VS
= 7.080 mg of $C_{22}H_{40}ClN$

Containers and storage Containers—Tight containers.

Benzalkonium Chloride Concentrated Solution 50

濃塩化ベンザルコニウム液 50

Benzalkonium Chloride Concentrated Solution 50 is an aqueous solution, presented as $[C_6H_5CH_2N(CH_3)_2R]Cl$, where R ranges from C_8H_{17} to $C_{18}H_{37}$, and mainly consisting of $C_{12}H_{25}$ and $C_{14}H_{29}$.

It contains not less than 50.0 w/v% and not more than 55.0 w/v% of benzalkonium chloride ($C_{22}H_{40}ClN$: 354.01).

Description Benzalkonium Chloride Concentrated Solution 50 is a colorless to light yellow liquid or jelly-like fluid, and has a characteristic odor.

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

A solution prepared by adding water to it vigorously foams when shaken.

Identification (1) Dissolve 0.4 g of Benzalkonium Chloride Concentrated Solution 50 in 1 mL of sulfuric acid, add 0.1 g of sodium nitrate, and heat for 5 minutes on a water bath. After cooling, add 10 mL of water and 0.5 g of zinc powder, heat for 5 minutes, cool, and filter: the filtrate responds to the Qualitative Tests for primary aromatic amines. The color of the solution is red.

(2) To 2 mL of a solution of Benzalkonium Chloride Concentrated Solution 50 (1 in 500) add a mixture of 0.2 mL of a solution of bromophenol blue (1 in 2000) and 0.5 mL of sodium hydroxide TS: a blue color develops. Add 4 mL of chloroform to this solution, and shake vigorously: the blue color shifts to the chloroform layer. Collect the chloroform layer, and add dropwise, with stirring, a solution of sodium lauryl sulfate (1 in 1000): the chloroform layer turns colorless.

(3) Determine the absorption spectrum of a solution of Benzalkonium Chloride Concentrated Solution 50 in 0.1 mol/L hydrochloric acid TS (1 in 1000) as directed under the Ultraviolet-visible Spectrophotometry, and compare the spectrum with the Reference Spectrum: both spectra exhibit