Hydrochloride, previously dried, dissolve in 5 mL of formic acid, add 60 mL of acetic anhydride, and titrate 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 = 34.793 mg of C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>29</sub>NO.HCl

Containers and storage Containers—Well-closed containers

Storage-Light-resistant.

# **Bisacodyl**

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C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>19</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>: 361.39 4,4'-(Pyridin-2-ylmethylene)bis(phenyl acetate) [603-50-9]

Bisacodyl, when dried, contains not less than 98.5% of  $C_{22}H_{19}NO_4$ .

**Description** Bisacodyl occurs as a white, crystalline powder.

It is freely soluble in acetic acid (100), soluble in acetone, slightly soluble in ethanol (95) and in diethyl ether, and practically insoluble in water.

It dissolves in dilute hydrochloric acid.

Identification (1) Determine the absorption spectrum of a solution of Bisacodyl in ethanol (95) (3 in 100,000) as directed under the Ultraviolet-visible Spectrophotometry, and compare the spectrum with the Reference Spectrum or the spectrum of a solution of Bisacodyl Reference Standard prepared in the same manner as the sample solution: both spectra exhibit similar intensities of absorption at the same wavelengths.

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

### Melting point 132 – 136°C

**Purity** (1) Chloride—Dissolve 1.0 g of Bisacodyl in 30 mL of acetone, and add 6 mL of dilute nitric acid and water to make 50 mL. Perform the test using this solution as the test solution. Prepare the control solution as follows: to 0.35 mL of 0.01 mol/L hydrochloric acid VS add 30 mL of acetone, 6 mL of dilute nitric acid and water to make 50 mL (not more than 0.012%).

(2) Sulfate—Dissolve 1.0 g of Bisacodyl in 2 mL of dilute hydrochloric acid, and add water to make 50 mL. Per-

form the test using this solution as the test solution. Prepare the control solution as follows: to 0.35 mL of 0.005 mol/L sulfuric acid VS add 2 mL of dilute hydrochloric acid and water to make 50 mL (not more than 0.017%).

- (3) Heavy metals—Proceed with 2.0 g of Bisacodyl according to Method 4, and perform the test. Prepare the control solution with 2.0 mL of Standard Lead Solution (not more than 10 ppm).
- (4) Related substances—Dissolve 0.20 g of Bisacodyl in 10 mL of acetone, and use this solution as the sample solution. Pipet 1 mL of the sample solution, add acetone to make exactly 200 mL, and use this solution as the standard solution. Perform the test with these solutions as directed under the Thin-layer Chromatography. Spot  $10 \,\mu\text{L}$  each of the sample solution and the standard solution on a plate of silica gel with fluorescent indicator for thin-layer chromatography. Develop the plate with a mixture of 2-butanone, chloroform and xylene (1:1:1) to a distance of about 10 cm, and air-dry the plate. Examine under ultraviolet light (main wavelength: 254 nm): the spots other than the principal spot from the sample solution are not more intense than the spot from the standard solution.

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

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

Assay Weigh accurately about 0.5 g of Bisacodyl, previously dried, dissolve in 50 mL of acetic acid (100), and titrate with 0.1 mol/L perchloric acid VS until the color of the solution changes from orange-yellow to green (indicator: 0.5 mL of p-naphtholbenzein TS). Perform a blank determination, and make any necessary correction.

Each mL of 0.1 mol/L perchloric acid VS = 36.140 mg of  $C_{22}H_{19}NO_4$ 

**Containers and storage** Containers—Well-closed containers.

# **Bisacodyl Suppositories**

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Bisacodyl Suppositories contain not less than 90% and not more than 110% of the labeled amount of bisacodyl ( $C_{22}H_{19}NO_4$ : 361.39).

**Method of preparation** Prepare as directed under Suppositories, with Bisacodyl.

**Identification** (1) To a quantity of Bisacodyl Suppositories, equivalent to 6 mg of Bisacodyl according to the labeled amount, add 20 mL of ethanol (95), warm on a water bath for 10 minutes, shake vigorously for 10 minutes, and allow to stand in ice water for 1 hour. Centrifuge the solution, filter the supernatant liquid, and to 2 mL of the filtrate add ethanol (95) to make 20 mL. Determine the absorption spectrum of the solution as directed under the Ultraviolet-visible Spectrophotometry: it exhibits a maximum between 261 nm and 265 nm.

(2) Use the filtrate obtained in (1) as the sample solution. Separately, dissolve 6 mg of Bisacodyl Reference Standard in 20 mL of ethanol (95), and use this solution as the standard solution. Perform the test with these solutions as

directed under the Thin-layer Chromatography. Spot  $20 \mu L$  each of the sample solution and the standard solution on a plate of silica gel with fluorescent indicator for thin-layer chromatography. Develop the plate with a mixture of 2-butanone, chloroform and xylene (1:1:1) to a distance of about 10 cm, and air-dry the plate. Examine under ultraviolet light (main wavelength: 254 nm): the spot from the sample solution and that from the standard solution show the same Rf value.

Assay Weigh accurately not less than 20 Bisacodyl Suppositories, make them fine fragments carefully, and mix uniformly. Weigh accurately a portion of the fragments, equivalent to about 0.01 g of bisacodyl (C22H19NO4), add 40 mL of tetrahydrofuran, warm to 40°C, dissolve by shaking, cool, and add tetrahydrofuran to make exactly 50 mL. Pipet 5 mL of this solution, add exactly 5 mL of the internal standard solution, and add the mobile phase to make 100 mL. Cool this solution in ice for 30 minutes, centrifuge, filter the supernatant liquid through a membrane filter with pore size of  $0.5 \mu m$ , discard the first 10 mL of the filtrate, and use the subsequent filtrate as the sample solution. Separately, weigh accurately about 0.01 g of Bisacodyl Reference Standard, previously dried at 105°C for 2 hours, and dissolve in tetrahydrofuran to make exactly 50 mL. Pipet 5 mL of this solution, proceed in the same manner as the sample solution, and use this solution as the standard solution. Perform the test with 20  $\mu$ L each of the sample solution and the standard solution as directed under the Liquid Chromatography according to the following conditions, and calculate the ratios,  $Q_T$  and  $Q_S$ , of the peak area of bisacodyl to that of the internal standard, respectively.

Amount (mg) of bisacodyl (C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>19</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>)

= amount (mg) of Bisacodyl Reference Standard

$$\times \frac{Q_1}{Q_2}$$

Internal standard solution—A solution of ethyl parahydroxybenzoate in acetonitrile (3 in 100,000).

Operating conditions—

Detector: An ultraviolet absorption photometer (wavelength: 254 nm).

Column: A stainless steel column about 4 mm in inside diameter and about 30 cm in length, packed with octadecylsilanized silica gel for liquid chromatography (10  $\mu$ m in particle diameter).

Column temperature: Room temperature.

Mobile phase: A mixture of 0.01 mol/L citric acid TS, acetonitrile and methanol (2:1:1).

Flow rate: Adjust the flow rate so that the retention time of bisacodyl is about 8 minutes.

Selection of column: Proceed with  $20 \,\mu\text{L}$  of the standard solution under the above operating conditions, and calculate the resolution. Use a column giving elution of the internal standard and bisacodyl in this order with the resolution between these peaks being not less than 2.

Containers and storage Containers—Tight containers.

# **Bismuth Subgallate**

#### **Dermatol**

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Bismuth Subgallate, when dried, contains not less than 47.0% and not more than 51.0% of bismuth (Bi: 208.98).

**Description** Bismuth Subgallate occurs as a yellow powder. It is odorless and tasteless.

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

It dissolves in dilute hydrochloric acid, in dilute nitric acid and in dilute sulfuric acid on warming. It dissolves in sodium hydroxide TS, forming a clear, yellow solution, which turns red immediately.

It is affected by light.

**Identification** (1) Ignite 0.5 g of Bismuth Subgallate: it chars at first, and leaves finally a yellow residue. The residue responds to the Qualitative Tests for bismuth salt.

(2) To 0.5 g of Bismuth Subgallate add 25 mL of water and 20 mL of hydrogen sulfide TS, and shake well. Filter off the blackish brown precipitate, and add 1 drop of iron (III) chloride TS to the filtrate: a blue-black color is produced.

**Purity** (1) Clarity of solution—Dissolve 1.0 g of Bismuth Subgallate in 40 mL of diluted sodium hydroxide TS (1 in 8): the solution is clear.

- (2) Sulfate—Ignite 3.0 g of Bismuth Subgallate in a porcelain crucible, and cautiously dissolve the residue in 2.5 mL of nitric acid by warming. Pour the solution into 100 mL of water, shake, and filter. Evaporate 50 mL of the filtrate on a water bath to 15 mL. Add water to make 20 mL, filter again, and use the filtrate as the sample solution. To 5 mL of the sample solution add 2 to 3 drops of barium nitrate TS: no turbidity is produced.
- (3) Nitrate—To 0.5 g of Bismuth Subgallate add 5 mL of dilute sulfuric acid and 25 mL of iron (II) sulfate TS, shake well, and filter. Superimpose carefully 5 mL of the filtrate on sulfuric acid: no red-brown color develops at the zone of contact.
- (4) Ammonium—Dissolve 1.0 g of Bismuth Subgallate in 5 mL of sodium hydroxide TS, and heat: the gas evolved does not change moistened red litmus paper to blue.
- (5) Copper—To 5 mL of the sample solution obtained in (2) add 1 mL of ammonia TS, and filter: no blue color develops in the filtrate.
- (6) Lead—Ignite 1.0 g of Bismuth Subgallate at about 500°C in a porcelain crucible, dissolve the residue in a smallest possible amount of nitric acid added dropwise, evaporate over a low flame to dryness, and cool. Add 5 mL of a solution of potassium hydroxide (1 in 6) to the residue, boil carefully for 2 minutes, cool, and centrifuge. Take the supernatant liquid in a test tube, add 10 drops of potassium chromate TS, and acidify the solution by adding acetic acid (100) dropwise: neither turbidity nor a yellow precipitate is produced.
- (7) Silver—To 5 mL of the sample solution obtained in (2) add 0.5 mL of nitric acid and 2 to 3 drops of dilute hydrochloric acid: no turbidity is produced.