System suitability: reference solution:

- resolution: minimum 7 between the peaks due to the iron complex of impurity A and the iron complex of edetic acid,
- signal-to-noise ratio: minimum 50 for the peak due to impurity A.

#### Limit:

 impurity A: not more than the area of the corresponding peak in the chromatogram obtained with the reference solution (0.1 per cent).

**Iron** (2.4.9): maximum 80 ppm.

Dilute 2.5 ml of solution S to 10 ml with *water R*. Add 0.25 g of *calcium chloride R* to the test solution and the standard before the addition of the *thioglycollic acid R*.

Heavy metals (2.4.8): maximum 20 ppm.

1.0 g complies with test F. Prepare the reference solution using 2 ml of *lead standard solution (10 ppm Pb) R*.

### **ASSAY**

Dissolve 0.300 g in water R and dilute to 300 ml with the same solvent. Add 2 g of hexamethylenetetramine R and 2 ml of dilute hydrochloric acid R. Titrate with 0.1 M lead nitrate, using about 50 mg of xylenol orange triturate R as indicator.

1 ml of 0.1 M lead nitrate is equivalent to 37.22 mg of  $C_{10}H_{14}N_2Na_2O_8,2H_2O$ .

### **STORAGE**

Protected from light.

### **IMPURITIES**

Specified impurities: A.

$$CO_2H$$
 $N$ 
 $CO_2H$ 

A. nitrilotriacetic acid.

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# **DISODIUM PHOSPHATE, ANHYDROUS**

# Dinatrii phosphas anhydricus

Na<sub>2</sub>HPO<sub>4</sub> [7558-79-4]

 $M_{r}$  142.0

**DEFINITION** 

Content: 98.0 per cent to 101.0 per cent (dried substance).

### **CHARACTERS**

Appearance: white or almost white powder, hygroscopic. Solubility: soluble in water, practically insoluble in ethanol (96 per cent).

### **IDENTIFICATION**

- A. Solution S (see Tests) is slightly alkaline (2.2.4).
- B. Loss on drying (see Tests).
- C. Solution S gives reaction (b) of phosphates (2.3.1).
- D. Solution S gives reaction (a) of sodium (2.3.1).

### TESTS

**Solution S.** Dissolve 5.0 g in *distilled water R* and dilute to 100.0 ml with the same solvent.

**Appearance of solution.** Solution S is clear (2.2.1) and colourless (2.2.2, Method II).

**Reducing substances**. To 10 ml of solution S add 5 ml of *dilute sulphuric acid R* and 0.25 ml of 0.02 M potassium permanganate and heat on a water-bath for 5 min. The solution retains a slight red colour.

Monosodium phosphate: maximum 2.5 per cent.

From the volume of  $1\,M\,hydrochloric\,acid\,(25\,ml)$  and of  $1\,M\,sodium\,hydroxide\,(n_1\,ml\,and\,n_2\,ml)$  used in the assay, calculate the following ratio:

$$\frac{n_2-25}{25-n_1}$$

This ratio is not greater than 0.025.

Chlorides (2.4.4): maximum 200 ppm.

Dilute 5 ml of solution S to 15 ml with dilute nitric acid R.

Sulphates (2.4.13): maximum 500 ppm.

To 6 ml of solution S add 2 ml of dilute hydrochloric acid R and dilute to 15 ml with distilled water R.

**Arsenic** (2.4.2, Method A): maximum 2 ppm, determined on solution S.

**Iron** (2.4.9): maximum 20 ppm, determined on solution S.

**Heavy metals** (2.4.8): maximum 10 ppm.

12 ml of solution S complies with test A. Prepare the reference solution using 5 ml of *lead standard solution* (1 ppm Pb) R and 5 ml of water R.

**Loss on drying** (2.2.32): maximum 1.0 per cent, determined on 1.000 g by drying in an oven at 105 °C for 4 h.

### ASSAY

Dissolve 1.600 g (m) in 25.0 ml of carbon dioxide-free water R and add 25.0 ml of 1 M hydrochloric acid. Carry out a potentiometric titration (2.2.20) using 1 M sodium hydroxide. Read the volume added at the  $1^{\rm st}$  inflexion point ( $n_1$  ml). Continue the titration to the  $2^{\rm nd}$  inflexion point (total volume of 1 M sodium hydroxide required,  $n_2$  ml). Calculate the percentage content of  $Na_2HPO_4$  from the following expression:

$$\frac{1420 (25 - n_1)}{m (100 - d)}$$

d = percentage loss on drying.

### **STORAGE**

In an airtight container.

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### **DISODIUM PHOSPHATE DIHYDRATE**

# Dinatrii phosphas dihydricus

Na<sub>2</sub>HPO<sub>4</sub>,2H<sub>2</sub>O [10028-24-7]

 $M_{\rm r}$  178.0

### **DEFINITION**

Content: 98.0 per cent to 101.0 per cent (dried substance).

### CHARACTERS

*Appearance*: white or almost white powder or colourless crystals.

*Solubility*: soluble in water, practically insoluble in ethanol (96 per cent).

IDENTIFICATION 01/2008:0118

A. Solution S (see Tests) is slightly alkaline (2.2.4).

B. Loss on drying (see Tests).

C. Solution S gives reaction (b) of phosphates (2.3.1).

D. Solution S gives reaction (a) of sodium (2.3.1).

### **TESTS**

**Solution S.** Dissolve 5.0 g in *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).

**Reducing substances**. To 5 ml of solution S add 5 ml of *dilute sulphuric acid R* and 0.25 ml of 0.02 M potassium permanganate and heat on a water-bath for 5 min. The solution retains a slight red colour.

Monosodium phosphate: maximum 2.5 per cent.

From the volume of 1 M hydrochloric acid (25 ml) and of 1 M sodium hydroxide ( $n_1$  ml and  $n_2$  ml) used in the assay, calculate the following ratio:

$$\frac{n_2 - 25}{25 - n_1}$$

This ratio is not greater than 0.025.

**Chlorides** (2.4.4): maximum 400 ppm.

To 2.5 ml of solution S add 10 ml of *dilute nitric acid R* and dilute to 15 ml with *water R*.

**Sulphates** (2.4.13): maximum 0.1 per cent.

To 3 ml of solution S add 2 ml of *dilute hydrochloric acid R* and dilute to 15 ml with *distilled water R*.

**Arsenic** (2.4.2, Method A): maximum 4 ppm, determined on 5 ml of solution S.

**Iron** (2.4.9): maximum 40 ppm

Dilute 5 ml of solution S to 10 ml with water R.

Heavy metals (2.4.8): maximum 20 ppm.

12 ml of solution S complies with test A. Prepare the reference solution using *lead standard solution (1 ppm Pb) R* 

**Loss on drying** (2.2.32): 19.5 per cent to 21.0 per cent, determined on 1.000 g by drying in an oven at 130 °C.

### **ASSAY**

Dissolve 2.000 g (m) in 50 ml of water R and add 25.0 ml of 1 M hydrochloric acid. Carry out a potentiometric titration (2.2.20) using 1 M sodium hydroxide. Read the volume added at the 1<sup>st</sup> inflexion point ( $n_1$  ml). Continue the titration to the 2<sup>nd</sup> inflexion point (total volume of 1 M sodium hydroxide required,  $n_2$  ml).

Calculate the percentage content of Na<sub>2</sub>HPO<sub>4</sub> from the following expression:

$$\frac{1420(25 - n_1)}{m(100 - d)}$$

d = percentage loss on drying.

## DISODIUM PHOSPHATE DODECAHYDRATE

## Dinatrii phosphas dodecahydricus

Na<sub>2</sub>HPO<sub>4</sub>,12H<sub>2</sub>O [7782-75-6]

 $M_{\rm r}$  358.1

### **DEFINITION**

Content: 98.0 per cent to 101.0 per cent (anhydrous substance).

### **CHARACTERS**

Appearance: colourless, transparent crystals, very efflorescent.

*Solubility*: very soluble in water, practically insoluble in ethanol (96 per cent).

### **IDENTIFICATION**

- A. Solution S (see Tests) is slightly alkaline (2.2.4).
- B. Water (see Tests).
- C. Solution S gives reaction (b) of phosphates (2.3.1).
- D. Solution S gives reaction (a) of sodium (2.3.1).

### **TESTS**

**Solution S.** Dissolve 5.0 g in *distilled water R* and dilute to 50 ml with the same solvent.

**Appearance of solution**. Solution S is clear (2.2.1) and colourless (2.2.2, Method II).

**Reducing substances**. To 5 ml of solution S add 5 ml of *dilute sulphuric acid R* and 0.25 ml of 0.02 M potassium permanganate and heat on a water-bath for 5 min. The solution retains a slight red colour.

Monosodium phosphate: maximum 2.5 per cent.

From the volume of 1 M hydrochloric acid (25 ml) and of 1 M sodium hydroxide ( $n_1$  ml and  $n_2$  ml) used in the assay, calculate the following ratio:

$$\frac{n_2-25}{25-n_1}$$

This ratio is not greater than 0.025.

**Chlorides** (2.4.4): maximum 200 ppm.

To 2.5 ml of solution S add 10 ml of *dilute nitric acid R* and dilute to 15 ml with water R.

Sulphates (2.4.13): maximum 500 ppm.

To 3 ml of solution S add 2 ml of *dilute hydrochloric acid R* and dilute to 15 ml with *distilled water R*.

**Arsenic** (2.4.2, Method A): maximum 2 ppm, determined on 5 ml of solution S.

**Iron** (2.4.9): maximum 20 ppm.

Dilute 5 ml of solution S to 10 ml with water R.

**Heavy metals** (2.4.8): maximum 10 ppm.

12 ml of solution S complies with test A. Prepare the reference solution using *lead standard solution (1 ppm Pb) R*.

**Water** (2.5.12): 57.0 per cent to 61.0 per cent, determined on 50.0 mg. Use a mixture of 10 volumes of *anhydrous methanol R* and 40 volumes of *formamide R* as solvent.