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2-Hydroxybenzyl Alcohol,

$C_7H_8O_2$ 124.14 CAS RN[®]: 90-01-7.—Off-white flakes. Very soluble in alcohol, in chloroform, and in ether; soluble in 15 parts water and in benzene.

Assay: Inject an appropriate specimen into a gas chromatograph (see [Chromatography \(621\)](#)), equipped with a flame-ionization detector, helium being used as the carrier gas. The following conditions have been found suitable: a 0.25-mm × 30-m capillary column coated with a 1- μ m layer of phase G2; the injection port temperature is maintained at 250°; the detector temperature is maintained at 300°; and the column temperature is maintained at 150° and programmed to rise 10° per minute to 280°. The area of the $C_7H_8O_2$ peak is not less than 99% of the total peak area.

MELTING RANGE (741): between 83° and 85°.

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