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Aluminum Dichlorohydrate

$\text{Al}_y(\text{OH})_{3y-z}\text{Cl}_z \cdot n\text{H}_2\text{O}$
 Aluminum chlorohydroxide;
 Aluminum hydroxychloride.

DEFINITION

Aluminum Dichlorohydrate consists of complex basic aluminum chloride that is polymeric and loosely hydrated and encompasses a range of aluminum-to-chloride atomic ratios between 0.90:1 and 1.25:1. It contains the equivalent of NLT 90.0% and NMT 110.0% of the labeled amount of anhydrous aluminum dichlorohydrate $[\text{Al}_y(\text{OH})_{3y-z}\text{Cl}_z]$.

IDENTIFICATION

- **A. [IDENTIFICATION TESTS—GENERAL, Aluminum\(191\)andChloride\(191\)](#)**

Sample solution: 100 mg/mL

Acceptance criteria: Meets the requirements

ASSAY

- **PROCEDURE 1: CONTENT OF CHLORIDE**

Sample: 700 mg

Titrimetric system

Mode: Direct titration

Titrant: 0.1 N silver nitrate VS

Electrode system: A glass silver–silver chloride electrode and a silver billet electrode system

Endpoint detection: Potentiometric

Analysis: Transfer the *Sample* to a 250-mL beaker, and add 100 mL of water and 10 mL of diluted nitric acid with stirring. Titrate with *Titrant*, and determine the endpoint potentiometrically. Each mL of 0.1 N silver nitrate is equivalent to 3.545 mg of chloride (Cl). Use the chloride content thus obtained to calculate the aluminum:chloride atomic ratio.

- **PROCEDURE 2: CONTENT OF ALUMINUM**

Eдетate disodium titrant: Prepare and standardize as directed in *Reagents, Volumetric Solutions, Eдетate Disodium, Twentieth-Molar (0.05 M)*, except use 37.2 g of edetate disodium.

Sample solution: Transfer 200 mg of Aluminum Dichlorohydrate to a 250-mL beaker, add 20 mL of water and 5 mL of hydrochloric acid, boil on a hot plate for NLT 5 min, and allow to cool.

Titrimetric system

Mode: Back-titration

Titrant: 0.1 M zinc sulfate VS

Endpoint detection: Visual

Analysis: To the *Sample solution* add 25.0 mL of *Eдетate disodium titrant*, and adjust with 2.5 N ammonium hydroxide or 1 N acetic acid to a pH of 4.7 ± 0.1 . Add 20 mL of acetic acid–ammonium acetate buffer TS, 50 mL of alcohol, and 5 mL of dithizone TS. The pH of this solution should be 4.7 ± 0.1 . Titrate the excess edetate disodium with *Titrant* until the color changes from green-violet to rose-pink. Perform a blank titration, and make any necessary correction. Each mL of 0.1 M *Eдетate disodium titrant* consumed is equivalent to 2.698 mg of aluminum (Al). Use the aluminum content thus obtained to calculate the aluminum:chloride atomic ratio.

- **PROCEDURE 3: ALUMINUM:CHLORIDE ATOMIC RATIO**

Analysis: Use the percentage of aluminum found in the test for *Content of Aluminum* and the percentage of chloride found in the test for *Content of Chloride*.

Calculate the aluminum:chloride atomic ratio (X) as follows:

$$\text{Result} = (p_{\text{Al}}/p_{\text{Cl}}) \times (A_{\text{Cl}}/A_{\text{Al}})$$

p_{Al} = percentage of aluminum found in *Content of Aluminum*

p_{Cl} = percentage of chloride found in *Content of Chloride*

A_{Cl} = atomic weight of chlorine (Cl), 35.453

A_{Al} = atomic weight of aluminum (Al), 26.98

Acceptance criteria: Between 0.90:1 and 1.25:1

• **PROCEDURE 4**

Analysis: Calculate the percentage of anhydrous aluminum dichlorohydrate $[Al(OH)_{3y-z}Cl_z]$ in the portion of Aluminum Dichlorohydrate taken:

$$\text{Result} = P_{Al} \left(\frac{A_{Al}X + [M(3X - 1)] + A_{Cl}}{A_{Al}X} \right)$$

P_{Al} = percentage of aluminum as obtained in the test for *Content of Aluminum*

A_{Al} = atomic weight of aluminum (Al), 26.98

X = aluminum:chloride atomic ratio, as determined in the test for *Aluminum:Chloride Atomic Ratio*

M = molecular weight of the hydroxide anion (OH), 17.01

A_{Cl} = atomic weight of chlorine (Cl), 35.453

Acceptance criteria: 90.0%–110.0% on the anhydrous basis

IMPURITIES

Change to read:

- **▲ ARSENIC (211), Procedures, Procedure 1** ▲ (CN 1-Jun-2023) : NMT 2 ppm

Change to read:

• **LIMIT OF IRON**

Standard solution: Transfer 2.0 mL of *Standard Iron Solution*, prepared as directed in **▲ Iron (241), Procedures, Procedure 1** ▲ (CN 1-Jun-2023) , to a 50-mL beaker.

Sample solution: Transfer 2.7 g of Aluminum Dichlorohydrate to a 100-mL volumetric flask, dilute with water to volume, and mix. Transfer 5.0 mL of this solution to a 50-mL beaker.

Analysis: To each of the beakers containing the *Standard solution* and the *Sample solution*, add 5 mL of 6 N nitric acid, cover with a watch glass, and boil on a hot plate for 3–5 min. Allow to cool. Add 5 mL of *Ammonium Thiocyanate Solution* (prepared as directed in **▲ Iron (241), Procedures, Procedure 1** ▲ (CN 1-Jun-2023)), transfer to separate 50-mL color comparison tubes, and dilute with water to volume.

Acceptance criteria: 150 ppm; the color of the solution from the *Sample solution* is not darker than that of the solution from the *Standard solution*.

SPECIFIC TESTS

- **pH (791)**

Sample solution: 15 g of Aluminum Dichlorohydrate in 100 g of water

Acceptance criteria: 3.0–5.0

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- **PACKAGING AND STORAGE:** Preserve in well-closed containers.
- **LABELING:** The label states the content of anhydrous aluminum dichlorohydrate.

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