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# Aluminum Sulfate and Calcium Acetate Tablets for Topical Solution

## DEFINITION

Aluminum Sulfate and Calcium Acetate Tablets for Topical Solution contains NLT 90.0% and NMT 110.0% of the labeled amounts of aluminum sulfate tetradecahydrate  $[\text{Al}_2(\text{SO}_4)_3 \cdot 14\text{H}_2\text{O}]$  and calcium acetate monohydrate  $(\text{C}_4\text{H}_6\text{CaO}_4 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O})$ .

## IDENTIFICATION

### • A. [IDENTIFICATION TESTS—GENERAL, Aluminum\(191\)](#)

**Sample solution:** Suspend 2 g of ground Tablet powder in 50 mL of water, and filter. Use a portion in the *Analysis*, and retain the remaining filtrate for *Identification* test B.

**Analysis:** Mix 2 mL of the *Sample solution* with 2 mL of water and 2 drops of 3 N hydrochloric acid.

**Acceptance criteria:** Meets the requirements of test A

### • B. [IDENTIFICATION TESTS—GENERAL, Sulfate\(191\)andCalcium\(191\)](#)

**Sample solution:** A portion of the filtrate retained from *Identification* test A

**Acceptance criteria:** Meets the requirements

## ASSAY

### • ALUMINUM SULFATE TETRADECAHYDRATE

**Sample solution:** Finely powder and mix NLT 20 Tablets. Weigh a portion of the powder, equivalent to 2.8 g of aluminum sulfate, and transfer to a 1000-mL volumetric flask. Add 100 mL of 1.2 N hydrochloric acid and 100 mL of water, and heat on a steam bath, with occasional swirling, to dissolve the powder. Allow the solution to cool, and dilute with water to volume. Retain a portion of the *Sample solution* for the Assay for Calcium Acetate Monohydrate.

**Blank:** Water

#### Titrimetric system

**Mode:** Residual titration

**Titrant:** 0.02 M zinc sulfate VS

**Back-titrant:** 0.01 M edetate disodium VS

**Endpoint detection:** Visual

**Analysis:** Transfer 25.0 mL of the *Sample solution* to a 250-mL conical flask. Add, in the order named, 40.0 mL of *Back-titrant* and 20 mL of acetic acid–ammonium acetate buffer TS, and mix by swirling. Add 50 mL of alcohol and 2 mL of dithizone TS, and titrate the excess *Back-titrant* with *Titrant* until the color changes from green-violet to a clear rose-pink. Perform a blank determination. Each mL of 0.01 M edetate disodium is equivalent to 2.972 mg of the labeled amount of aluminum sulfate tetradecahydrate  $[\text{Al}_2(\text{SO}_4)_3 \cdot 14\text{H}_2\text{O}]$ .

**Acceptance criteria:** 90.0%–110.0%

### • CALCIUM ACETATE MONOHYDRATE

**Sample:** Transfer 20.0 mL of the *Sample solution* retained from the Assay for Aluminum Sulfate Tetradecahydrate to a 125-mL conical flask.

#### Titrimetric system

**Mode:** Direct titration

**Titrant:** 0.01 M edetate disodium VS

**Endpoint detection:** Visual

**Analysis:** With constant stirring, add to the *Sample*, in the order named, 0.5 mL of trolamine, 10 mL of ammonia–ammonium chloride buffer TS, and 3 drops of a solution prepared by dissolving 500 mg of eriochrome black T titration in 10 mL of methanol. Titrate with *Titrant* to a violet endpoint. Each mL of 0.01 M edetate disodium is equivalent to 1.762 mg of the labeled amount of calcium acetate monohydrate  $(\text{C}_4\text{H}_6\text{CaO}_4 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O})$ .

**Acceptance criteria:** 90.0%–110.0%

## PERFORMANCE TESTS

### • [DISINTEGRATION \(701\)](#): 10 min

### • [UNIFORMITY OF DOSAGE UNITS \(905\)](#): Meets the requirements for *Weight Variation*

## SPECIFIC TESTS

### • [pH \(791\)](#)

**Sample solution:** 2 g of ground Tablet powder in 500 mL of water

**Acceptance criteria:** 4.0–4.8

- [Loss on Drying \(731\)](#)

**Analysis:** Dry ground Tablet powder at 150° for 15 min.

**Acceptance criteria:** NMT 18%

**ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS**

- **PACKAGING AND STORAGE:** Preserve in tight containers, and avoid excessive heat.

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