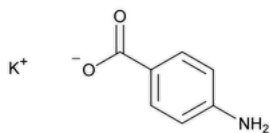


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## Aminobenzoate Potassium



$C_7H_6KNO_2$  175.23

Benzoic acid, 4-amino-, potassium salt;

Potassium 4-aminobenzoate CAS RN®: 138-84-1; UNII: 41KZS5432U.

### DEFINITION

Aminobenzoate Potassium contains NLT 98.0% and NMT 102.0% of aminobenzoate potassium ( $C_7H_6KNO_2$ ), calculated on the dried basis.

### IDENTIFICATION

**Change to read:**

- **A.** ▲ [SPECTROSCOPIC IDENTIFICATION TESTS \(197\)](#), *Infrared Spectroscopy: 197K* ▲ (CN 1-MAY-2020)
- **B.** The retention time of the major peak of the *Sample solution* corresponds to that of the *Standard solution*, as obtained in the Assay.
- **C.**

**Sample solution:** 10 mg/mL of Aminobenzoate Potassium in water

**Acceptance criteria:** The *Sample solution* imparts a violet color to a nonluminous flame. Since the presence of small quantities of sodium masks the color, screen out the yellow color produced by sodium by viewing through a blue filter that blocks emission at 589 nm (sodium) but is transparent to emission at 404 nm (potassium). [NOTE—Traditionally, cobalt glass has been used, but other suitable filters are commercially available.]

### ASSAY

#### PROCEDURE

**Solution A:** 1.5% acetic acid, prepared by mixing 690 mL of water with 10 mL of glacial acetic acid and passing through a suitable filter of 0.45-µm pore size

**Mobile phase:** Methanol and *Solution A* (15:85)

**Standard solution:** 0.1 mg/mL of [USP Aminobenzoate Potassium RS](#) in *Mobile phase*. Sonicate to dissolve.

**Sample solution:** 0.1 mg/mL of Aminobenzoate Potassium in *Mobile phase*. Sonicate to dissolve.

#### Chromatographic system

(See [Chromatography \(621\)](#), *System Suitability*.)

**Mode:** LC

**Detector:** UV 280 nm

**Column:** 3.0-mm × 15-cm; 3.5-µm packing L11

**Flow rate:** 0.35 mL/min

**Injection volume:** 5 µL

#### System suitability

**Sample:** *Standard solution*

#### Suitability requirements

**Tailing factor:** NMT 2.0

**Relative standard deviation:** NMT 0.73%

#### Analysis

**Samples:** *Standard solution* and *Sample solution*

Calculate the percentage of aminobenzoate potassium ( $C_7H_6KNO_2$ ) in the portion of Aminobenzoate Potassium taken:

$$\text{Result} = (r_U/r_S) \times (C_S/C_U) \times 100$$

$r_U$  = peak response from the *Sample solution*

$r_S$  = peak response from the *Standard solution*

$C_s$  = concentration of [USP Aminobenzoate Potassium RS](#) in the *Standard solution* (mg/mL)

$C_u$  = concentration of Aminobenzoate Potassium in the *Sample solution* (mg/mL)

**Acceptance criteria:** 98.0%–102.0% on the dried basis

## IMPURITIES

**Delete the following:**

▲ **HEAVY METALS (231), Method II:** NMT 0.002% ▲ (Official 1-Jan-2018)

**Change to read:**

• **LIMIT OF ANILINE AND *p*-TOLUIDINE**

**Diluent:** Methylene chloride

**Standard stock solution:** 0.1 mg/mL each of [USP Aniline RS](#) and [USP \*p\*-Toluidine RS](#) in *Diluent*

**Standard solution:** 1 µg/mL each of [USP Aniline RS](#) and [USP \*p\*-Toluidine RS](#) in *Diluent* from *Standard stock solution*

**Sample solution:** 100 mg/mL of Aminobenzoate Potassium in *Diluent* prepared as follows. Add an appropriate quantity of Aminobenzoate Potassium to a suitable volumetric flask and dilute with *Diluent* to volume. Agitate for 10 min on a shaker and centrifuge at 3000 rpm for 5 min. Use the supernatant.

## Chromatographic system

(See [Chromatography \(621\), System Suitability](#).)

**Mode:** GC

### Detectors

**Flame ionization:** 300°

**Hydrogen:** 40 mL/min

**Air:** 400 mL/min

**Column:** 30-m × 0.32-mm fused silica capillary; coated with 0.5-µm film of phase G27

### Temperatures

**Injection port:** 280°

**Detector:** 300°

**Column:** See [Table 1](#).

**Table 1**

Initial Temperature (°)	Temperature Ramp (°/min)	Final Temperature (°)	Hold Time at Final Temperature (min)
130	—	130	4
130	20	180	5

**Carrier gas:** Helium

**Flow rate:** 1.0 mL/min

**Injection volume:** 2 µL

**Injection type:** Split ratio, 1:10

## System suitability

**Sample:** *Standard solution*

[NOTE—The relative retention times of aniline and *p*-toluidine are ▲0.8 and 1.0, ▲ (ERR 1-Sep-2018) respectively.]

## Suitability requirements

**Resolution:** NLT 7.0 between aniline and *p*-toluidine

**Tailing factor:** NMT 1.5 for aniline and *p*-toluidine

**Relative standard deviation:** NMT 6.0% for aniline and *p*-toluidine

## Analysis

**Samples:** *Standard solution* and *Sample solution*

Calculate the percentage of *p*-toluidine or aniline in the portion of Aminobenzoate Potassium taken:

$$\text{Result} = (r_u/r_s) \times (C_s/C_u) \times 100$$

$r_u$  = peak response of *p*-toluidine or aniline from the *Sample solution*

$r_s$  = peak response of *p*-toluidine or aniline from the *Standard solution*

$C_s$  = concentration of the corresponding USP Reference Standard in the *Standard solution* (mg/mL)

$C_U$  = concentration of Aminobenzoate Potassium in the *Sample solution* (mg/mL)

**Acceptance criteria**

**Aniline:** NMT 10 ppm

**p-Toluidine:** NMT 20 ppm

• **ORGANIC IMPURITIES**

**Solution A:** 1.5% acetic acid, prepared by mixing 690 mL of water with 10 mL of glacial acetic acid

**Solution B:** Methanol

**Mobile phase:** See [Table 2](#).

**Table 2**

Time (min)	Solution A (%)	Solution B (%)
0.0	85	15
4.0	85	15
4.1	45	55
10.0	45	55
10.1	85	15
13	85	15

**Diluent:** Methanol and water (85:15)

**System suitability solution:** 1 mg/mL of [USP Aminobenzoate Potassium RS](#), 0.01 mg/mL of [USP 4-Nitrobenzoic Acid RS](#), and 0.01 mg/mL of [USP Benzocaine RS](#) in *Diluent* prepared as follows. Transfer 1 mL each of 0.1 mg/mL of [USP 4-Nitrobenzoic Acid RS](#) in methanol and 0.1 mg/mL of [USP Benzocaine RS](#) in *Diluent* to a 10-mL volumetric flask containing the appropriate amount of [USP Aminobenzoate Potassium RS](#), and dilute with *Diluent* to volume.

**Standard solution:** 1 µg/mL each of [USP Aminobenzoate Potassium RS](#), [USP 4-Nitrobenzoic Acid RS](#), and [USP Benzocaine RS](#) in *Diluent*

**Sample solution:** 1 mg/mL of Aminobenzoate Potassium in *Diluent*

**Chromatographic system**

(See [Chromatography \(621\), System Suitability](#).)

**Mode:** LC

**Detector:** UV 280 nm

**Column:** 3.0-mm × 15-cm; 3.5-µm packing L11

**Flow rate:** 0.4 mL/min

**Injection volume:** 5 µL

**System suitability**

**Samples:** *System suitability solution* and *Standard solution*

**Suitability requirements**

**Resolution:** NLT 1.5 between benzocaine and 4-nitrobenzoic acid, *System suitability solution*

**Relative standard deviation:** NMT 3% for the aminobenzoate potassium, 4-nitrobenzoic acid, and benzocaine peaks, *Standard solution*

**Analysis**

**Samples:** *Standard solution* and *Sample solution*

Calculate the percentage of 4-nitrobenzoic acid or benzocaine in the portion of Aminobenzoate Potassium taken:

$$\text{Result} = (r_U/r_S) \times (C_S/C_U) \times 100$$

$r_U$  = peak response of 4-nitrobenzoic acid or benzocaine from the *Sample solution*

$r_S$  = peak response of 4-nitrobenzoic acid or benzocaine from the *Standard solution*

$C_S$  = concentration of [USP 4-Nitrobenzoic Acid RS](#) or [USP Benzocaine RS](#) in the *Standard solution* (mg/mL)

$C_U$  = concentration of Aminobenzoate Potassium in the *Sample solution* (mg/mL)

Calculate the percentage of any individual unspecified impurity in the portion of Aminobenzoate Potassium taken:

$$\text{Result} = (r_U/r_S) \times (C_S/C_U) \times 100$$

$r_U$  = peak response of any unspecified impurity from the *Sample solution*

$r_s$  = peak response of aminobenzoate from the *Standard solution*

$C_s$  = concentration of [USP Aminobenzoate Potassium RS](#) in the *Standard solution* (mg/mL)

$C_u$  = concentration of Aminobenzoate Potassium in the *Sample solution* (mg/mL)

**Acceptance criteria:** See [Table 3](#).

**Table 3**

Name	Relative Retention Time	Acceptance Criteria, NMT (%)
Aminobenzoic acid	1.0	—
Benzocaine	2.0	0.2
4-Nitrobenzoic acid	2.1	0.2
Any individual unspecified impurity	—	0.10

#### SPECIFIC TESTS

• [pH \(791\)](#)

**Sample solution:** 50 mg/mL of Aminobenzoate Potassium in water

**Acceptance criteria:** 8.0–9.0

• [Loss on Drying \(731\)](#)

**Analysis:** Dry at 105° for 2 h.

**Acceptance criteria:** NMT 1.0%

#### ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

• **PACKAGING AND STORAGE:** Preserve in well-closed containers.

• [USP REFERENCE STANDARDS \(11\)](#)

[USP Aminobenzoate Potassium RS](#)

[USP Aniline RS](#)

Aniline.

$C_6H_7N$  93.13

[USP Benzocaine RS](#)

[USP 4-Nitrobenzoic Acid RS](#)

4-Nitrobenzoic acid.

$C_7H_5NO_4$  167.12

[USP p-Toluidine RS](#)

4-Methylaniline.

$C_7H_9N$  107.15

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