

Status: Currently Official on 13-Feb-2025

Official Date: Official as of 01-Jan-2018

Document Type: USP Monographs

DocId: GUID-67355C4F-5BD0-498A-97DD-8EF9A7B1CB47_3_en-US

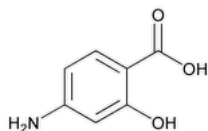
DOI: https://doi.org/10.31003/USPNF_M3400_03_01

DOI Ref: 95d5z

© 2025 USPC

Do not distribute

Aminosalicilic Acid

 $C_7H_7NO_3$ 153.14

Benzoic acid, 4-amino-2-hydroxy-;

4-Aminosalicilic acid CAS RN®: 65-49-6; UNII: 5B2658E0N2.

DEFINITION

Aminosalicilic Acid contains NLT 98.5% and NMT 100.5% of aminosalicilic acid ($C_7H_7NO_3$), calculated on the anhydrous basis.

[CAUTION—Under no circumstances use a solution prepared from Aminosalicilic Acid if its color is darker than that of a freshly prepared solution.]

IDENTIFICATION

• A.

Sample stock solution: Dissolve 250 mg in 3 mL of 1 N sodium hydroxide, transfer to a 500-mL volumetric flask, and dilute with water to volume.

Sample solution: Transfer a 5-mL aliquot of the *Sample stock solution* to a 250-mL volumetric flask containing 12.5 mL of pH 7 phosphate buffer (see *Reagents, Indicators, and Solutions—Buffer Solutions*), and dilute with water to volume.

Analysis: Compare the *Sample solution* in a suitable spectrometer against a blank of the same buffer in the same concentration.

Acceptance criteria: The *Sample solution* exhibits absorbance maxima at 265 ± 2 and 299 ± 2 nm, and the ratio A_{265}/A_{299} is 1.50–1.56.

• B.

Sample: 1 g

Analysis: Place the *Sample* in a small, round-bottom flask, and add 10 mL of acetic anhydride. Heat the flask on a steam bath for 30 min, add 40 mL of water, filter, cool, and allow to stand until the diacetyl derivative has crystallized. Collect the precipitate on a filter, wash well with water, and dry at 105° for 1 h.

Acceptance criteria: The diacetyl derivative melts at 191° – 197° .

• C.

Sample: 0.1 g

Analysis: Shake the *Sample* with 10 mL of water, and filter. To 5 mL of the filtrate add 1 drop of ferric chloride TS.

Acceptance criteria: A violet color is produced.

ASSAY

• PROCEDURE

Solution A: 12.7 mg/mL of tetrabutylammonium hydroxide in methanol

Mobile phase: *Solution A*, 0.05 M dibasic sodium phosphate, and 0.05 M monobasic sodium phosphate (150:425:425)

Internal standard solution: 5 mg/mL of acetaminophen in *Mobile phase*

Standard solution: 0.5 mg/mL of aminosalicilic acid prepared as follows. Transfer 12.5 mg of [USP Aminosalicilic Acid RS](#) to a 25-mL low-actinic volumetric flask, add 15 mL of *Mobile phase*, and swirl to dissolve. Add 2.5 mL of the *Internal standard solution*, and dilute with *Mobile phase* to volume.

Sample solution: 0.5 mg/mL of Aminosalicilic Acid prepared as follows. Transfer 12.5 mg of Aminosalicilic Acid to a 25-mL low-actinic volumetric flask, add 15 mL of *Mobile phase*, and swirl to dissolve. Add 2.5 mL of the *Internal standard solution*, and dilute with *Mobile phase* to volume.

Chromatographic system

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

Mode: LC

Detector: UV 254 nm

Column: 4.6-mm \times 25-cm; packing L1

Flow rate: 1.5 mL/min

Injection volume: 20 μ L

System suitability**Sample:** *Standard solution*

[NOTE—The relative retention times for acetaminophen and aminosalicic acid are 0.83 and 1.0, respectively.]

Suitability requirements**Resolution:** NLT 1.7 between aminosalicic acid and acetaminophen**Relative standard deviation:** NMT 1.0% for the peak response ratio of aminosalicic acid to acetaminophen**Analysis****Samples:** *Standard solution* and *Sample solution*

After use, wash the column for 30 min with a mixture of methanol, water, and phosphoric acid (77:23:0.6), and then wash for 30 min with a mixture of methanol and water (50:50).

Calculate the percentage of aminosalicic acid ($C_7H_7NO_3$) in the portion of Aminosalicic Acid taken:

$$\text{Result} = (R_U/R_S) \times (C_S/C_U) \times 100$$

 R_U = peak response ratio of aminosalicic acid to acetaminophen from the *Sample solution* R_S = peak response ratio of aminosalicic acid to acetaminophen from the *Standard solution* C_S = concentration of [USP Aminosalicic Acid RS](#) in the *Standard solution* (mg/mL) C_U = concentration of Aminosalicic Acid in the *Sample solution* (mg/mL)**Acceptance criteria:** 98.5%–100.5% on the anhydrous basis**IMPURITIES**• **RESIDUE ON IGNITION (281):** NMT 0.2%• **CHLORIDE AND SULFATE, Chloride (221).****Sample solution:** 25 mg/mL in a mixture of nitric acid and water (5:15)**Acceptance criteria:** NMT 0.042%; the solution shows no more chloride than corresponds to 0.30 mL of 0.020 N hydrochloric acid.• **LIMIT OF *m*-AMINOPHENOL****Solution A:** 12.7 mg/mL of tetrabutylammonium hydroxide in methanol**Mobile phase:** *Solution A*, 0.05 M dibasic sodium phosphate, and 0.05 M monobasic sodium phosphate (150:425:425)**Internal standard solution:** 5 µg/mL of sulfanilamide in *Mobile phase***Standard stock solution:** 12 µg/mL of [USP *m*-Aminophenol RS](#) in *Mobile phase***Standard solution:** 1.2 µg/mL of [USP *m*-Aminophenol RS](#) prepared as follows. Transfer 10.0 mL of the *Standard stock solution* and 10.0 mL of the *Internal standard solution* to a 100-mL low-actinic volumetric flask, and dilute with *Mobile phase* to volume.**Sample solution:** 0.5 mg/mL of Aminosalicic Acid prepared as follows. Transfer 50 mg of Aminosalicic Acid to a 100-mL low-actinic volumetric flask, add 50 mL of *Mobile phase*, and swirl to dissolve. Add 10.0 mL of the *Internal standard solution*, and dilute with *Mobile phase* to volume.**Chromatographic system**(See [Chromatography \(621\), System Suitability](#).)**Mode:** LC**Detector:** UV 280 nm**Column:** 4.6-mm × 25-cm; 10-µm packing L1**Flow rate:** 1.5 mL/min**Injection volume:** 20 µL**System suitability****Sample:** *Standard solution*[NOTE—The relative retention times for sulfanilamide and *m*-aminophenol are about 0.66 and 1.0, respectively.]**Suitability requirements****Resolution:** NLT 2.5 between *m*-aminophenol and sulfanilamide**Relative standard deviation:** NMT 7%**Analysis****Samples:** *Standard solution* and *Sample solution*

After use, wash the column for 30 min with a mixture of methanol, water, and phosphoric acid (77:23:0.6), and then wash for 30 min with a mixture of methanol and water (50:50).

Calculate the percentage of *m*-aminophenol in the portion of Aminosalicic Acid taken:

$$\text{Result} = (R_U/R_S) \times (C_S/C_U) \times 100$$

 R_U = peak response ratio of *m*-aminophenol to sulfanilamide from the *Sample solution* R_S = peak response ratio of *m*-aminophenol to sulfanilamide from the *Standard solution*

C_s = concentration of [USP *m*-Aminophenol RS](#) in the *Standard solution* (mg/mL)

C_u = concentration of the *Sample solution*, as determined in the Assay (mg/mL)

Acceptance criteria: NMT 0.25%

SPECIFIC TESTS

- [pH \(791\)](#): 3.0–3.7, in a saturated solution
- [WATER DETERMINATION, Method I \(921\)](#): NMT 0.5%
- **HYDROGEN SULFIDE, SULFUR DIOXIDE, AND AMYL ALCOHOL**

Sample: 500 mg

Analysis: Dissolve the *Sample* in 5 mL of 1 N sodium hydroxide, add 6 mL of 3 N hydrochloric acid, and stir vigorously.

Acceptance criteria: No odor of hydrogen sulfide or sulfur dioxide is perceptible, and NMT a faint odor of amyl alcohol is perceptible. A piece of moistened lead acetate test paper held over the mixture does not become discolored.

- **CLARITY AND COLOR OF SOLUTION**

Sample 1: 1 g

Analysis 1: Dissolve *Sample 1* in 10 mL of sodium bicarbonate solution (1 in 15).

Acceptance criteria 1: The resulting solution is clear and has NMT a faint yellow color.

Sample 2: 1 g

Analysis 2: Dissolve *Sample 2* in 50 mL of freshly prepared 1.6 M nitric acid.

Acceptance criteria 2: The resulting solution is clear and has NMT a slight color.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- **PACKAGING AND STORAGE:** Preserve in tight, light-resistant containers at a temperature not exceeding 30°.

- [USP REFERENCE STANDARDS \(11\)](#).

[USP *m*-Aminophenol RS](#)

[USP Aminosalicilyc Acid RS](#)

Auxiliary Information - Please [check for your question in the FAQs](#) before contacting USP.

Topic/Question	Contact	Expert Committee
AMINOSALICYLIC ACID	Documentary Standards Support	SM12020 Small Molecules 1

Chromatographic Database Information: [Chromatographic Database](#)

Most Recently Appeared In:

Pharmacopeial Forum: Volume No. PF 32(5)

Current DocID: [GUID-67355C4F-5BD0-498A-97DD-8EF9A7B1CB47_3_en-US](#)

Previous DocID: [GUID-67355C4F-5BD0-498A-97DD-8EF9A7B1CB47_1_en-US](#)

DOI: https://doi.org/10.31003/USPNF_M3400_03_01

DOI ref: [95d5z](#)