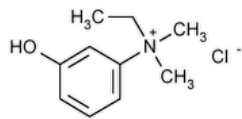


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Edrophonium Chloride



C₁₀H₁₆ClNO 201.69
Benzenaminium, *N*-ethyl-3-hydroxy-*N,N*-dimethyl-, chloride.

Ethyl(*m*-hydroxyphenyl)dimethylammonium chloride CAS RN®: 116-38-1; UNII: QO611KSM5P.
» Edrophonium Chloride contains not less than 98.0 percent and not more than 100.5 percent of C₁₀H₁₆ClNO, calculated on the dried basis.

Packaging and storage—Preserve in well-closed containers.

USP REFERENCE STANDARDS (11).—
[USP Edrophonium Chloride RS](#)

Identification—

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- Solution:* 50 µg per mL.
Medium: 0.1 N hydrochloric acid.
Absorptivities at 273 nm, calculated on the dried basis, do not differ by more than 2.0%.
C: To 10 mL of a solution (1 in 10) add 1 drop of ferric chloride TS: a violet-blue color is produced.
D: It responds to the tests for [Chloride \(191\)](#).

MELTING RANGE (741): between 165° and 170°, with decomposition.
pH (791): between 4.0 and 5.0, in a solution (1 in 10).
LOSS ON DRYING (731).—Dry it in a suitable vacuum drying tube, using phosphorus pentoxide as the desiccant, for 3 hours: it loses not more than 0.5% of its weight.
RESIDUE ON IGNITION (281): not more than 0.1%.

Limit of dimethylaminophenol.—Dissolve about 500 mg, accurately weighed, in 5 mL of water in a separator. Add 5 mL of pH 8.0 phosphate buffer (see [Buffer Solutions](#) in the section [Reagents, Indicators, and Solutions](#)), and shake. Extract with five 20-mL portions of chloroform, pooling the extracts in a 100-mL volumetric flask, and add chloroform to volume. The absorbance of this solution, determined in a 1-cm cell at 252 nm, with a suitable spectrophotometer, is not more than that of a 1 in 200,000 solution of dimethylaminophenol in chloroform, similarly measured (0.1%).
Assay.—Transfer about 175 mg of Edrophonium Chloride, accurately weighed, to a suitable flask, and dissolve in about 20 mL of glacial acetic acid. Add 5 mL of mercuric acetate TS, then add 1 drop of crystal violet TS, and titrate with 0.1 N perchloric acid VS. Perform a blank determination, and make any necessary correction. Each mL of 0.1 N perchloric acid is equivalent to 20.17 mg of C₁₀H₁₆ClNO.

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