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## Potassium Gluconate Tablets

### DEFINITION

Potassium Gluconate Tablets contain NLT 95.0% and NMT 105.0% of the labeled amount of potassium gluconate ( $C_6H_{11}KO_7$ ).

### IDENTIFICATION

#### Change to read:

• **A.** ▲ [SPECTROSCOPIC IDENTIFICATION TESTS \(197\)](#), [Infrared Spectroscopy: 197M](#) ▲ (CN 1-MAY-2020) : The IR absorption spectrum of potassium gluconate extracted from finely powdered Tablets exhibits maxima only at the same wavelengths as those of a similar preparation of [USP Potassium Gluconate RS](#).

• **B.**

**Sample solution:** Triturate a portion of powdered Tablets with a few milliliters of water, and filter.

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

### ASSAY

#### • PROCEDURE

**Standard stock solution:** 19.07 µg/mL of potassium chloride in water (equivalent to 10 µg/mL of potassium), prepared from [potassium chloride](#) previously dried at 105° for 2 h

**Standard solutions:** 1.0, 1.5, and 2.0 µg/mL of potassium from suitably diluted *Standard stock solution*, in a solution containing 4 mg/mL of sodium chloride and 1 mL of hydrochloric acid per 100 mL

**Sample stock solution:** Filtered water solution containing 0.18 mg/mL of potassium gluconate from NLT 20 finely powdered Tablets

**Sample solution:** Transfer 5.0 mL of *Sample stock solution* to a 100-mL volumetric flask. Add 2.0 mL of a 200-mg/mL sodium chloride solution and 1.0 mL of hydrochloric acid, and dilute with water to volume.

**Blank:** Water

#### Instrumental conditions

(See [Atomic Absorption Spectroscopy \(852\)](#).)

**Mode:** Atomic absorption spectrophotometry

**Analytical wavelength:** 766.5 nm

**Lamp:** Potassium hollow-cathode

**Flame:** Air–acetylene

#### Analysis

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

Determine the absorbances of the *Standard solutions* and the *Sample solution*. Plot the absorbances of the *Standard solutions* versus their concentrations, in µg/mL, of potassium, and draw the straight line best fitting the three plotted points. From the graph so obtained, determine the concentration, *C*, in µg/mL, of potassium in the *Sample solution*.

Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of potassium gluconate ( $C_6H_{11}KO_7$ ) in the portion of Tablets taken:

$$\text{Result} = (C/C_U) \times (M_r/A_r) \times 100$$

*C* = determined concentration of potassium in the *Sample solution* (µg/mL)

*C<sub>U</sub>* = nominal concentration of potassium gluconate in the *Sample solution* (µg/mL)

*M<sub>r</sub>* = molecular weight of potassium gluconate, 234.25

$A_r$  = atomic weight of potassium, 39.10

**Acceptance criteria:** 95.0%–105.0%

#### PERFORMANCE TESTS

• [DISSOLUTION \(711\)](#)

**Medium:** Water; 900 mL

**Apparatus 2:** 100 rpm

**Time:** 45 min

**Sample solution:** Filtered portion of the solution under test, suitably diluted with *Medium* if necessary

**Analysis:** Proceed as directed in the Assay.

Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of potassium gluconate ( $C_6H_{11}KO_7$ ) dissolved:

$$\text{Result} = (C \times D \times V/L) \times (M_r/A_r) \times 100$$

$C$  = determined concentration of potassium in the *Sample solution* (mg/mL)

$D$  = dilution factor for the *Sample solution*

$V$  = volume of *Medium*, 900 mL

$L$  = label claim (mg/Tablet)

$M_r$  = molecular weight of potassium gluconate, 234.25

$A_r$  = atomic weight of potassium, 39.10

**Tolerances:** NLT 75% ( $Q$ ) of the labeled amount of potassium gluconate ( $C_6H_{11}KO_7$ ) is dissolved.

• [UNIFORMITY OF DOSAGE UNITS \(905\)](#): Meet the requirements

#### ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

• **PACKAGING AND STORAGE:** Preserve in tight containers.

• [USP REFERENCE STANDARDS \(11\)](#)

[USP Potassium Gluconate RS](#)

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