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## Sodium Bromide

NaBr 102.89

Sodium bromide.

Sodium bromide CAS RN®: 7647-15-6 ; UNII: LC1V549NOM.

» Sodium Bromide contains not less than 98.0 percent and not more than 100.5 percent of NaBr, calculated on the dried basis. It contains no added substances.

**Packaging and storage**—Preserve in well-closed containers, and store at room temperature.

**Appearance of solution:** clear and colorless.

*Test solution*—Dissolve 10.0 g in carbon dioxide-free water, and dilute with the same solvent to 100 mL.

**Identification**—

**A:** A solution containing 4.0 mg of sodium bromide responds to the test for [Bromide \(191\)](#).

**B:** It responds to the test for [Sodium \(191\)](#).

**Acidity or alkalinity**—To 10 mL of the solution prepared for the test for *Appearance of solution*, add 0.1 mL of bromothymol blue TS: not more than 0.5 mL of 0.01 N hydrochloric acid or 0.01 N sodium hydroxide is required to change the color of this solution.

[Loss on drying \(731\)](#)—Dry it at 100° to 105° for 3 hours: it loses not more than 3.0% of its weight.

**Bromates**—

*Starch-mercuric iodide solution*—Triturate 1.0 g of soluble starch with 5 mL of water, and pour the mixture into 100 mL of boiling water containing 10 mg of mercuric iodide.

*Procedure*—To 10 mL of the solution prepared for the test for *Appearance of solution* add 1 mL of *Starch-mercuric iodide solution*, 0.1 mL of a 100 g per L solution of potassium iodide, and 0.25 mL of 0.5 M sulfuric acid. Allow to stand protected from light for 5 minutes. No blue or violet color develops.

**Limit of chlorine:** not more than 0.6%.

*Nitric acid solution and Ferric ammonium sulfate solution*—Proceed as directed in the Assay.

*Procedure*—Dissolve 1.000 g Sodium Bromide in 20 mL of *Nitric acid solution* in a conical flask, add and mix 5 mL of 30 percent hydrogen peroxide, and heat in a water bath until the solution is colorless. Rinse the sides of the flask with a small quantity of water, and heat in a water bath for 15 minutes. Allow to cool, dilute with water to 50 mL, and add 5.0 mL of silver nitrate VS and 1 mL of dibutyl phthalate. Mix, and back titrate the excess silver nitrate with ammonium thiocyanate VS (see [Titrimetry \(541\)](#)), using 5 mL of *Ferric ammonium sulfate solution* as the indicator. Perform a blank titration. Not more than 1.7 mL of silver nitrate VS is used.

**Iodides**—To 5 mL of the solution prepared for the test for *Appearance of solution* add 0.15 mL of a 10.5 g per 100 mL ferric chloride solution, and 2 mL of dichloromethane. Shake, and allow to separate. The lower layer is colorless.

[Sulfates \(221\)](#)—A 2.0-g portion shows no more sulfate than corresponds to 0.2 mL of 0.020 N sulfuric acid (0.01%).

**Limit of iron:** not more than 20 ppm.

*Citric acid solution*—Prepare a 200 mg citric acid per mL solution.

*Iron standard solution*—Transfer 0.863 g of ferric ammonium sulfate to a 500-mL volumetric flask, and dissolve in 25 mL of dilute sulfuric acid. Dilute with water to volume. Transfer 1.0 mL of the resulting solution to a 10-mL volumetric flask, and dilute with water to volume. Transfer 2.5 mL of this resulting solution to a 50-mL volumetric flask, and dilute with water to volume.

[*Note*—Prepare immediately before use.]

*Test solution*—Transfer 5 mL of the solution prepared for the test for *Appearance of solution* to a 10-mL volumetric flask, and dilute with water to volume.

*Procedure*—To 10 mL each of the *Iron standard solution* and the *Test solution* add 2.0 mL of the *Citric acid solution* and 0.1 mL of thioglycolic acid. Make alkaline to litmus with ammonia water, and dilute with water to 20 mL. After 5 minutes, any pink color in the *Test solution* is not more intense than that in the *Iron standard solution*.

**Magnesium and alkaline-earth metals**—To 200 mL of water add 0.1 g of hydroxylamine hydrochloride, 10 mL of pH 10.0 ammonium chloride buffer (prepared by dissolving 5.4 g of ammonium chloride in 20 mL of water, adding 20 mL of ammonium hydroxide, and diluting to 100 mL), 1 mL of 0.1 M zinc sulfate, and about 0.2 g of eriochrome black T titration. Heat to about 40°. Titrate this solution (see [Titrimetry \(541\)](#)) with 0.01 M edetate disodium VS until the violet color changes to deep blue. To this solution add 10.0 g of Sodium Bromide dissolved in 100 mL of water. If the color changes to violet, titrate the solution with 0.01 M edetate disodium VS to a deep blue endpoint. The volume of 0.01 M edetate disodium consumed in the second titration does not exceed 5.0 mL (0.02%, calculated as Ca).

**Assay**—

*Nitric acid solution*—Dilute 14 mL of nitric acid with water to 100 mL.

*Ferric ammonium sulfate solution*—Transfer 10 g of ferric ammonium sulfate to a 100-mL volumetric flask. Dissolve in and dilute with water to volume.

*Procedure*—Dissolve 2.000 g of Sodium Bromide in water, and dilute with water to 100.0 mL. To 10.0 mL of the solution add 50 mL of water, 5 mL of *Nitric acid solution*, 25.0 mL of silver nitrate VS, and 2 mL of dibutyl phthalate. Mix, and back titrate the excess silver nitrate with ammonium thiocyanate VS (see [Titrimetry \(541\)](#)), using 2 mL of *Ferric ammonium sulfate solution* as the indicator, shaking vigorously towards the endpoint. Each mL of 0.1 M silver nitrate is equivalent to 10.29 mg of NaBr. Calculate the percent content of Sodium Bromide, corrected for the chloride content, by the formula:

$$a - 2.902b$$

in which *a* is the percent content of NaBr and NaCl obtained, calculated as NaBr; and *b* is the percent content of chlorides.

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