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Sodium Chloride Tablets

DEFINITION

Sodium Chloride Tablets contain NLT 95.0% and NMT 105.0% of the labeled amount of sodium chloride (NaCl).

IDENTIFICATION

Change to read:

- **A.** (USP 1-MAY-2021) [IDENTIFICATION TESTS—GENERAL \(191\), Chemical Identification Tests, Sodium](#)

Sample solution: A filtered extract of Tablets

Acceptance criteria: Meet the requirements

Change to read:

- **B.** The retention time of the chloride peak of the *Sample solution* corresponds to that of the *Standard solution*, as obtained in the *Assay*.▲

(USP 1-May-2021)

ASSAY

Change to read:

• PROCEDURE

▲ Use water with a resistivity of NLT 18 megohm-cm to prepare the solutions.

Solution A: 100 mM [potassium hydroxide](#)

Solution B: [Water](#)

Mobile phase: See [Table 1](#). [NOTE—Alternatively, *Mobile phase* can be generated electrolytically using an automatic eluant generator.]

Table 1

Time (min)	Solution A (%)	Solution B (%)
0	5	95
12	70	30
15	5	95
24	5	95

System suitability solution: 100 µg/mL of [USP Sodium Chloride RS](#) and 8 µg/mL of [USP Sodium Nitrite RS](#) in [water](#)

Standard solution: 100 µg/mL of [USP Sodium Chloride RS](#) in [water](#)

Sample stock solution: Nominally 5 mg/mL of sodium chloride prepared as follows. Finely powder NLT 30 Tablets and transfer an appropriate portion of the powder to a suitable volumetric flask. Dissolve in about 50% of the final volume of [water](#). Dilute with [water](#) to volume.

Sample solution: Nominally 100 µg/mL of sodium chloride in [water](#) from the *Sample stock solution*

Chromatographic system

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

Mode: LC

Detector: Conductivity with suppression

Columns

Guard: 4.0-mm × 5-cm; 11-µm packing [L121](#). [NOTE—Alternatively, a 4.0-mm × 0.5-cm; 5.0-µm packing [L91](#) column may be used.]

Analytical: 4.0-mm × 25-cm; 7.5-µm packing [L103](#). [NOTE—Alternatively, a 4.0-mm × 15-cm; 5.0-µm packing [L91](#) column may be used.]

Column temperature: 35°

Flow rate: 1.2 mL/min

Injection volume: 10 µL

System suitability

Samples: System suitability solution and Standard solution

[NOTE—The relative retention times for the chloride and nitrite peaks are 1.0 and 1.1, respectively.]

Suitability requirements

Resolution: NLT 2.0 between the chloride and nitrite peaks, System suitability solution

Tailing factor: NMT 2.0 for the chloride and nitrite peaks, System suitability solution

Relative standard deviation: NMT 2.0%, Standard solution

Analysis

Samples: Standard solution and Sample solution

Calculate the percentage of the labeled amount of sodium chloride (NaCl) in the portion of Tablets taken:

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

r_U = peak response of chloride from the Sample solution

r_S = peak response of chloride from the Standard solution

C_S = concentration of [USP Sodium Chloride RS](#) in the Standard solution (µg/mL)

C_U = nominal concentration of sodium chloride in the Sample solution (µg/mL)

Acceptance criteria: 95.0%–105.0%▲ (USP 1-May-2021)

PERFORMANCE TESTS

- [DISINTEGRATION \(701\)](#)

Time: 30 min

Acceptance criteria: Meet the requirements

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

IMPURITIES

- **IODIDE OR BROMIDE**

Sample: 2.0 g of powdered Tablets

Sample solution: Digest the Sample with 25 mL of warm [alcohol](#) for 3 h, cool, and filter. Use the filtrate.

Analysis: Evaporate the Sample solution to dryness, dissolve the residue in 5 mL of [water](#), filter if necessary, and add 1 mL of [chloroform](#).

Cautiously introduce, dropwise and with constant agitation, 5 drops of 33% (v/v) [chlorine TS](#) in [water](#).

Acceptance criteria: The chloroform does not acquire a violet, yellow, or orange color.

- **BARIUM**

Sample: 4.0 g of powdered Tablets

Sample solution: Digest the Sample with 20 mL of [water](#), and filter. Use the filtrate.

Analysis: Divide the Sample solution into two equal portions. To one portion add 2 mL of 2 N [sulfuric acid](#) and to the other portion add 2 mL of [water](#), and stand for 2 h.

Acceptance criteria: The solutions are equally clear.

- **CALCIUM AND MAGNESIUM**

Sample: 1 g of powdered Tablets

Sample solution: Digest the Sample with 50 mL of [water](#), and filter. Use the filtrate.

Analysis: Add 4 mL of [6 N ammonium hydroxide](#) to the Sample solution, and divide the mixture into two equal portions. Treat one portion with 1 mL of [ammonium oxalate TS](#) and the other portion with 1 mL of [dibasic sodium phosphate TS](#).

Acceptance criteria: Neither mixture becomes turbid within 5 min.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

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

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

[USP Sodium Chloride RS](#)

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