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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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