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## Sodium Fluoride

NaF 41.99

Sodium fluoride CAS RN®: 7681-49-4; UNII: 8ZYQ1474W7.

### DEFINITION

Sodium Fluoride contains NLT 98.0% and NMT 102.0% of sodium fluoride (NaF), calculated on the dried basis.

### IDENTIFICATION

**Change to read:**

- **A. FLUORIDE:** ▲ The retention time of the fluoride peak of the *Sample solution* corresponds to that of the *Standard solution*, as obtained in the *Assay*.▲ (USP 1-Aug-2021)

**Change to read:**

- **B. IDENTIFICATION TESTS—GENERAL (191), Chemical Identification Tests, Sodium**

**Sample solution:** ▲ 40 mg/mL in [water](#)▲ (USP 1-Aug-2021)

**Acceptance criteria:** Meets the requirements

### ASSAY

**Change to read:**

- **PROCEDURE**

▲[NOTE—Store all solutions in plastic containers. It is recommended to use plastic HPLC vials. Use water with a resistivity of NLT 18 megohm-cm to prepare the solutions.]

**Mobile phase:** 15 mM [potassium hydroxide](#) in [water](#). [NOTE—Mobile phase can be generated electrolytically using an automatic eluant generator.]

**System suitability solution:** 2.0 µg/mL of [USP Sodium Fluoride RS](#) and 1.0 µg/mL of [USP Sodium Acetate RS](#) in [water](#)

**Standard solution:** 2.0 µg/mL of [USP Sodium Fluoride RS](#) in [water](#)

**Sample solution:** 2.0 µg/mL of Sodium Fluoride in [water](#)

#### Chromatographic system

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

**Mode:** LC

**Detector:** Conductivity with suppression

#### Columns

**Guard:** 4.0-mm × 5-cm; 13-µm packing [L120](#). [NOTE—Alternatively, a 4.0-mm × 0.5-cm column that contains 4.6-µm packing [L91](#) may be used.]

**Analytical:** 4.0-mm × 25-cm; 7.5-µm packing [L113](#). [NOTE—Alternatively, a 4.0-mm × 25-cm column that contains 4.6-µm packing [L91](#) may be used.]

**Column temperature:** 40°

**Flow rate:** 1.0 mL/min

**Injection volume:** 20 µL

**Run time:** NLT 6 times the retention time of fluoride

#### System suitability

**Samples:** System suitability solution and Standard solution

[NOTE—The relative retention times for the fluoride and acetate ions are 1.0 and 1.1, respectively.]

#### Suitability requirements

**Resolution:** NLT 1.5 between the fluoride and acetate ions, System suitability solution

**Tailing factor:** NMT 2.0 for the fluoride ion, Standard solution

**Relative standard deviation:** NMT 0.73% for the fluoride ion, Standard solution

#### Analysis

**Samples:** Standard solution and Sample solution

Calculate the percentage of sodium fluoride (NaF) in the portion of Sodium Fluoride taken:

$$\text{Result} = (r_u/r_s) \times (C_s/C_u) \times 100$$

$r_U$  = peak response of the fluoride ion from the *Sample solution*

$r_S$  = peak response of the fluoride ion from the *Standard solution*

$C_S$  = concentration of [USP Sodium Fluoride RS](#) in the *Standard solution* ( $\mu\text{g/mL}$ )

$C_U$  = concentration of Sodium Fluoride in the *Sample solution* ( $\mu\text{g/mL}$ )

▲ (USP 1-Aug-2021)

**Acceptance criteria:** 98.0%–102.0% on the dried basis

## IMPURITIES

### Change to read:

- **CHLORIDE**

▲[NOTE—Store all solutions in plastic containers. It is recommended to use plastic HPLC vials. Use water with a resistivity of NLT 18 megohm-cm to prepare the solutions.]

**Mobile phase and Chromatographic system:** Proceed as directed in the Assay.

**System suitability solution:** 1.0 mg/mL of [USP Sodium Fluoride RS](#) and 1.0  $\mu\text{g/mL}$  of [USP Sodium Chloride RS](#) in [water](#)

**Standard solution:** 0.2  $\mu\text{g/mL}$  of [USP Sodium Chloride RS](#) in [water](#)

**Sample solution:** 1.0 mg/mL of Sodium Fluoride in [water](#)

### System suitability

**Samples:** System suitability solution and Standard solution

[NOTE—The relative retention times for the fluoride and chloride ions are 1.0 and 1.6, respectively.]

### Suitability requirements

**Resolution:** NLT 4 between the fluoride and chloride ions, System suitability solution

**Relative standard deviation:** NMT 5.0% for the chloride ion, Standard solution

**Signal-to-noise ratio:** NLT 20, Standard solution

### Analysis

**Samples:** Standard solution and Sample solution

Calculate the percentage of chloride ion in the portion of Sodium Fluoride taken:

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

$r_U$  = peak response of the chloride ion from the *Sample solution*

$r_S$  = peak response of the chloride ion from the *Standard solution*

$C_S$  = concentration of [USP Sodium Chloride RS](#) in the *Standard solution* ( $\mu\text{g/mL}$ )

$C_U$  = concentration of Sodium Fluoride in the *Sample solution* ( $\mu\text{g/mL}$ )

$A_r$  = atomic weight of chloride, 35.453

$M_r$  = molecular weight of sodium chloride, 58.44

**Acceptance criteria:** NMT 0.012% ▲ (USP 1-Aug-2021)

## SPECIFIC TESTS

- **ACIDITY OR ALKALINITY**

**Sample:** 2.0 g

**Analysis:** Dissolve the *Sample* in 40 mL of [water](#) in a platinum dish. Add 10 mL of a saturated solution of [potassium nitrate](#), cool the solution to 0°, and add 3 drops of [phenolphthalein TS](#).

**Acceptance criteria:** If no color appears, a pink color persisting for 15 s is produced by NMT 2.0 mL of 0.10 N [sodium hydroxide](#). If the solution is colored pink by the addition of [phenolphthalein TS](#), it is rendered colorless by NMT 0.50 mL of 0.10 N [sulfuric acid](#). [NOTE—Save the neutralized solution for the test for *Fluosilicate*.]

- [Loss on Drying \(731\)](#).

**Analysis:** Dry at 150° for 4 h.

**Acceptance criteria:** NMT 1.0%

- **FLUOSILICATE**

**Analysis:** After the solution from the test for *Acidity or Alkalinity* has been neutralized, heat to boiling, and titrate while hot with 0.10 N [sodium hydroxide](#) until a permanent pink color is obtained.

**Acceptance criteria:** NMT 1.5 mL of 0.10 N [sodium hydroxide](#) is required.

## ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

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

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